

**Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)**

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New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: August, 2023

To,

The Special Chief Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forests & Environment,
Government of Telangana,
Hyderabad.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 17.994 ha of forest land in Upperlakesaram RF of Manthani Range of Peddapalli Forest division for grant of Mining lease for surface use (From underground rights to Surface rights) of Ramagundam Open Cast mine by in Peddapalli District in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited. - regarding (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/47657/2020).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.3817/For. I (1)/2021 dated 21.02.2022 on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

In this regard, it is informed that the matter was discussed in the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 17.07.2023. The detailed minutes of the said AC meeting are uploaded at parivesh.nic.in. Further, the Committee had detailed discussion and deliberation with Nodal officer (FCA), Govt. of Telangana and IGF (C), Sub-office Hyderabad. After going through the facts of the proposal and submissions made by the Nodal Officer, the Committee observed that the proposal submitted is incomplete and therefore cannot be acceded to in present proposition and recommended for rejection. The User agency will however be at liberty to submit the complete proposal *denovo*. Moreover, the State Govt. will notify the CA land in other proposals as RF/PF in time bound manner.

In view of the above, the Central Government hereby rejects the proposal and the Government of Telangana is requested to do the needful as per the recommendation of Advisory Committee.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

Sd-
(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

1. PCCF & HoFF, Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad.
2. APCCF cum Nodal Officer, (FCA), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
3. DDGF(C), Regional Office, Chennai, MoEF&CC.

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4. Sub-office, Hyderabad of MoEF&CC,.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division of MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
5. User Agency.