

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road,
New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: 23th August, 2022

To,

1.The Nodal Officer (FCA),
Forest Department,
Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

2. The Regional Officer,
Integrated Regional Office,
MoEF&CC, Bangalore

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 64.86 hectare of forest land (60.66 ha. for mining + 4.2 ha. for approach road) in Swamimalai (SM) Block Forest, near Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for Narsimha Iron Ore Mine ML No.2148 [an auctioned C-category mine] erstwhile Lessee Sri H.G. Rangangouda] in favour of M/s MSPL Limited, Hosapete, Ballari District (LoI holder).-regarding (Online Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019). -reg.,

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the representation dt 04.08.2022 (copy enclosed) received from M/s MSPL Ltd., wrt the above mentioned proposal forwarding RTC records and Government orders and informing that the CA lands offered by previous lessee i.e. HG Ranganagowda as Compensatory lands are C&D revenue Lands and not forest Lands. In this regard the IRO Bangalore and Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of Karnataka is requested to inspect the disputed CA land and submit a report to this Ministry till 27th August 2022.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
3. User Agency.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.