## F. No. 8-09/2017-FC Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (FC Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003. **Dated: 7th July, 2017** 

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), State Government of Karnataka, Bangalore,

Sub: Application for approval under section of 2(iii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for signing of lease agreement for an extent of 60.00 of forest land for mining in Hombalagatta & Gollarahalli Village C.N. Halli Taluk, Tumkur District in favour of Smt. Prema Channappa, Davanagere-reg..

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's No. FEE 63 FFM 2016 dated 02.01.2017 submitting above subject proposal for approval of the Central Government under Section- 2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. This proposal has been considered in the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting held on 16.05.2017. The detailed minutes of the FAC meetings held on 16.05.2017 are placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in.

After going through the judgement in the matter in FAC meeting held on 16.05.2017, the committee referred to Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 guidelines 2.1 (vi) vide which State Government are advised not to consider/process cases, which are pending in various courts or subjudice to avoid all sort of administrative and legal complications. In this backdrop FAC recommended not to grant permission to the state Government under section 2(iii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 till the final order of the Hon'ble High Court and clarification regarding the applicability of provisions of section 10-A(2) (c) of MMDR Act.

In view of above, I am directed to convey the approval of competent authority for not to grant prior approval under section 2(iii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, concerning 60.00 of forest land for mining in Hombalagatta & Gollarahalli Village C.N. Halli Taluk, Tumkur District in favour of Smt. Prema Channappa, Davanagere, till the final order of the Hon'ble High Court.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

## Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
- 2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the PCCF, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
- 3. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Regional Office, Bangalore
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