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No. M1/MNG/KSMCL(MML)/ML No.2629/2021-22/1447

Dated: 27.01.2025

To,

M/s. Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited
[Erstwhile M/s. Mysore Minerals Limited],
Subbarayanahalli Iron Ore Mine
ML No.2629, Sandur

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 22.2887 hectares (Revised from 23.863 hectares) of forest land in Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur taluk, Ballari District for pipeline Conveyor belt at Subbarayanahalli Iron Ore Mine ML No.2629 in favour of M/s. Karnataka State Mineral Corporation Limited (Erstwhile Mysore Minerals Ltd) (Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/48923/2020 [FORM-A]) – Reg.,

- Ref:** 1) This office even number letter Dt.01.06.2022, 12.07.2023, 31.05.2024, 19.08.2024 and 26.08.2024
2) Letter No. F.No.4-KRC1495/2024-BAN dated : 26.11.2024 of the Government of India
3) Letter KFD/HOFF/A5-1(MNG)/11/2018-FC Dated : 03.01.2025 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore.
4) Your letter Dated : 03.01.2025

With reference to the above subject, the undersigned has submitted the proposal diversion of 22.2887 hectares (Revised from 23.863 hectares) of forest land in Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur taluk, Ballari District for pipeline Conveyor belt at Subbarayanahalli Iron Ore Mine ML No.2629 in favour of M/s. Karnataka State Mineral Corporation Limited (Erstwhile Mysore Minerals Ltd) vide letter under Ref(1).

Further, the Government of India has sought following clarification / information vide letter under Ref(2).

- 1) The State Government has processed this proposal as per FC Rule 2022. However, Ministry in supersession to Forest (Conservation) Rule, 2022 has notified the Van (Samrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rule 2023, as per the said rule and as per the Ministry guidelines dated 25th January, 2024, instant proposal requires recommendation of Project Steering Committee. Therefore, it is requested to provide the recommendation of Project Steering Committee for this proposal. (PSC will be scheduled Shortly by Member Secretary, Aranya Bhavan).
- 2) The cost benefit ratio has not been calculated as per the parameters provided in comprehensive guidelines issued under the Van (Samrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rule, 2023. It is requested to furnish the revised C:B ratio considering the parameters

given in the comprehensive guidelines under the Van (Samrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rule, 2023.

- 3) The approved Catchment Area Treatment Plan as suggested by the State Government has not found enclosed with the proposal. Therefore, the same may be provided.
- 4) There is also a discrepancy with regard to total forest area proposed for diversion mentioned in PART-I of the proposal as well as with the corresponding KML file submitted for each component. Therefore, the same may be rectified and also the correct KML file of each component may be provided.
- 5) The MoEF&CC, New Delhi vide its letter No. 8-114/1992FC (VOL) dated 15/10/2019 had already accorded in-principal approval for diversion 19.898 ha for the installation of conveyor belt. Therefore, the State Government is requested to clarify whether the any work has been carried out as per the said approval or otherwise, along with specific comments of State Government for submission of new proposal.
- 6) State Government is also requested to clarify whether proposal has been submitted to MoEF&CC, New Delhi for withdrawal in-principle approval for which MoEF&CC has already granted in-principle approval on 15/10/2019, if so the status of the same may be furnished.
- 7) The State Government is requested to provide the status of the proposal of change of name of the User Agency, which is under correspondence with MoEF&CC and State Government.

Further to this, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) Bangalore has directed the undersigned to provide the details / information / documents /clarification vide letter under Ref(3).

In this regard, you have submitted the information vide letter under Ref(4). Upon verification of the information submitted by you, it is observed that, following information needs to be submitted.

- i) For point No. 4 : - Upload the correct KML file of proposed area in Part-I of Form-A.

Therefore, online link transferred to your login for uploading the correct KML file of proposed area in Part-I of Form-A.

Yours Faithfully,


Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Division, Ballari