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Office of

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Head of Forest Force)



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EDS QUERY URGENT

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests
Ballari Circle, Ballari

Sub: Diversion of 9.5474 hectare of forest land in Hirekandavadi Village Sy No. 107 and Thanigehalli village Sy No. 35, Beedurga Hobli, Holalakere Taluk and Dinadadahalli village Sy No. 18, Hireguntanuru Hobli, Chitradurga Taluk, Chitradurga District for establishment of Approach Road, Loading Area and Conveyor Pipeline for Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2677 in favour of M/s Vedanta Limited, Chitradurga
Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/51389/2020 [FORM-A]

Ref: 1. Online (FORM A PART-I) proposal dated 05-08-2021 (resubmitted) by M/s Vedanta Limited r/w uploading of Acknowledgement on 07-09-2021 for having delivered the hard copies of proposal to jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests and Deputy Commissioner
2. This office online communication dated 13-09-2021 to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chitradurga Division for further processing of proposal
3. Online submission of PART-II on 13-09-2021 by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chitradurga Division [Letter No. A6/FC/Vedanta/CB/CR-03/2021-22 dated 27-05-2022]
4. Online submission of PART-III on 15-12-2022 by Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle [Letter No.M1/MNG/Conveyor-Belt/CR-4/2018-19(Vedanta) dated 15-12-2022]

The above proposal [PART-I, II and III] seeking Stage-I approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 received vide Ref (4) has been examined in the light of Ref (1) to (3). It is noticed that the proposal suffers some inconsistencies in the online information available on FC web portal vis-à-vis hard copies of the proposal with regard to the details regarding CA Suitability and CA Scheme.

1. The CA Suitability Certificate issued by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chamaraajanagara Division vide letter dated 24-03-2021 is not in complete form i.e the CA Suitability, Form-B, Table – 1 (Non-forest CA land) Column No. 5 (Plants/Ha proposed to be planted) has been left blank and Table-2 (Degraded forest land where

the balance number of plants are proposed to be planted in consonance with the working Plan Prescription) has also not been mentioned. i.e details regarding plants to be planted in the degraded forest land as the proposed CA land cannot support 1000 plants/ha.

2. And details such as Kml file, Topo Map, Geo-referenced Map with GPS reading of all corners also needs to be provided with regard to the degraded forest land by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests.
3. The CA Scheme in Part-II 13(iv) has not been uploaded with regard to the CA plantation to be raised in the identified forest and degraded forest land.

You are therefore directed to obtain the CA Suitability in complete form, CA Scheme in complete form and details such as Kml file, Topo Map, Geo-referenced Map with GPS reading of all corners with regard to the degraded forest land by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests in PART- II on FC web portal and revise the hard copies of the above documents (including maps) ensuring that there is uniformity of information in the proposal.

The online link is hereby being transferred to you for further transmission to the User Agency through the Deputy Conservator of Forests.

The revised proposal in 4 ink-signed sets should be resubmitted to this office at the earliest.



Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Conservation) And Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to the:

1. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chitradurga Division for **information and necessary action as stated above.**
2. M/s Vedanta Limited, Sesa Goa Iron Ore, Megalahalli Office Complex, Megalahalli village, Bheemasamudra, Chitradurga – 577 520 for **information and necessary action as stated above with a request to obtain and submit the FRA Certificate in FORM-I (for Linear Projects) as mentioned above at the earliest and necessary action as stated above.**