Office of the
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari,
Date: -10-2022.

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The Deputy Conservator of Forests Ballari Division, Ballari.

Sub: Diversion of 28.299 ha of forest land (26.699 ha for mining + 1.60ha for approach road) in favour of the Successful Bidder i.e., M/s. MSPL Ltd., Hospate, Ballari District (erstwhile 'C' Category mine ML No. 2559 of M/s. Karthikeyas Manganese & Iron Ore Pvt. Ltd) in Subbarayanahalli Village, Sandur Range, Ballari District. (FP/KA/MIN/31348/2018)

Ref: 1) Letter No.F.No.11.6/26/WP/KAR/567 dtd. 27-7-2022 of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Integrated Regional Office), New Delhi. (sought additional information and clarification).

2) Letter No. KFD/HoFF/A5-1/(MNG)/16/2018-FC dated 06-10-2022 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Forest Conservation) Bengaluru.

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In light of the directions issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru, in his letter (2) cited above and followed by the letters of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division), New Delhi, in their letter (1) cited above, has directed to submit the information/clarification on the following points.

- 1) The KML files uploaded in respect of area proposed for diversion does not depict the area proposed for safety zone. Therefore, upload the revised KML file of the proposed for diversion clearly showing the area proposed for safety zone.
- 2) The State Government in its letter dated 25-3-2022 has reported that the erstwhile lessee has to pay an amount of Rs. 81,14,55,517/- towards Net Present Value and losses occurred due to mining activity on Forest and Environment. Therefore, clarify whether the said levies have been recovered from the erstwhile User Agency or not.

Therefore, you are hereby directed to go through the points as raised therein and furnish the additional information/ clarification duly obtaining the same from the user agency for onward submission of the same to the higher authorities for taking further necessary action in the matter.

Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari.

1) Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) Bengaluru for kind information.

2) Copy to the M/s. M.S.P.L. Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Hospete-583203 Dist. Vijayanagar for information.

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