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To

The Asst. General Manager, Jindal Chromite Mines, M/s Jindal Stainless Ltd., Kaliapani, Odisha

Sub: -

Proposal for diversion of 66.20 ha. (including safety zone area 5.040ha.) under section 2(iii) and 64.301 ha. including safety zone area 3.141 ha under section 2(ii) of FC Act 1980 of forest conservation Act 1980 in respect to Jindal Chromite Mines of M/S Jindal Stainless Limited in village Kaliapani, under Sukinda Tahasil of Jajpur District (under Cuttack Forest Division)

Ref: -

Memo No. 4714 dt. 02.12.2019 of the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle, Angul.

Sir,

With reference to the subject & memo cited above on the captioned subject, this is to inform that, during scrutiny of the above Diversion Proposal at the level of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act, the following short-falls are noticed.

- 1. The DGPS map of diverted forest land has not been authenticated by the Tahasildar, Sukinda.
- 2. The UA has not furnished the Khata No., Plot No. & area of the diverted Forest land totaling 64.301 Ha.
- 3. The UA has not furnished the English version of the Gram Sabha Proceedings.
- 4. The UA has not furnished the FRA certificate over 1.899 Ha. of Safety Zone area.
- 5. The UA has not shown the mining area clearly in toposheet as well as in location map.

6. The non-forest Govt. land over 43.98 Ha. has been identified in two villages i.e. in village Seranda having Khata No. 77, Plot No. 01,05,07,29,44 over an area of 13.12 Ha. & village Khamara having Khata No. 53, Plot No. 01,05,07, 29, 44 over an area of 30.86 ha under Kishorenagar Tahasil of Angul District within the jurisdiction of Athamallik Forest Division. The CA scheme for 43.98 Ha. against the diversion proposal of 66.20 ha (including SZ area of 5.040 Ha.) has been given. The broken-up forest land involved in the mining lease area is 26.029 Ha. as on 25.10.1980 & therefore, another non-forest land of 17.18 Ha. (66.20 Ha. -5.040 Ha. SZ- 43.98 Ha. CA land already identified) need to be identified for CA. The para 2.4(iv) of Handbook of Guidelines of FC Act, 1980 envisages that "Provision of CA will be applicable for renewal of mining lease, including the area broken-up prior to 25.10.1980, if the same was not applied earlier." Therefore, the CA scheme shall be revised & forwarded with their suitability & approval of the competent authority. The shape/ KML file for the revised CA site should also be furnished for early processing of the proposal.

In this context, the Diversion Proposals in 06 sets is returned herewith for necessary compliance & to resubmit the same for onward transmission.

Encl:- DP in 06 sets.

Yours faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer,

Cuttack Forest Division

Memo No Date

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.20533 dt.25.11.2019.

Divisional Forest Officer Cuttack Forest Division

Memo No Date

Copy submitted to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle, Angul for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 4711 dt. 02.12.2019.

Divisional Forest Officer
Cuttack Forest Division

Memo No Date

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Athamalik Division for information and necessary action. He is requested to revise the compensatory afforestation schemes as per current wage rate.

Divisional Forest Officer Cuttack Forest Division