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Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

To

**The Special Chief Secretary, Forests,**  
EFS&T Department,  
Government of Telangana,  
Hyderabad.

Sub: Renewal for diversion of 124 ha. (Surveyed 124.065 ha.) of forest land for coal mining in favour of M/s SCCL for GKOC Phase-II, Kothagudem in Ramavaram RF of Kothagudem Division, Bhadradri, Kothagudem District, Telangana.-regarding.


Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Telangana's letter No.1069/For.I(1)/2019 dated 18.04.2019 on the above mentioned subject and to say that the Regional Office, Chennai has carried out the Site Inspection Report and the same was forwarded to this Ministry on dated 05.08.2019. After examination the Site Inspection Report it was observed that the company is violating the provisions of environment clearance. The violation pertains to increase in production more than the stipulated in environment clearance granted to various projects. As the Hon'ble Supreme Court has viewed the violations very seriously in WP (civil) No.114/2014 in the matter of Common Cause Vs Union of India and others, it is seen that the project authorities in its four existing projects appears to have submitted undertakings saying that they will not repeat any such violations in future. But never the less, Regional Office, Chennai in its earlier two recommendations in the Month July, 2019, opined that, it is advisable to obtain the views of the State Government of Telangana in the matter along with the commitment from their management for not repeating such violation in future before processing this proposal. The same is reiterated is once again.

2. It is also requested to submit the KML/shape file of the proposed forest area for diversion and CA areas.

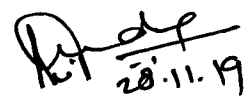
In view of the above, the State Government of Telangana may kindly furnish their comments on the Site Inspection Report as carried out the by the RO, Chennai, of MoEF&CC and submit the same alongwith Shape/KML file to this Ministry at the earliest, for further processing of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

  
9/c (Brijendera Swaroop)  
Dy. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
2. The Addl. Director General (C) Regional Office, Chennai.
3. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, of Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.

  
9/c (Brijendera Swaroop)  
Dy. Inspector General of Forests