

#### STATE FOREST HEADQUARTERS, ODISHA CHIEF SCOFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HoFF PLOT NO. GD-2/12, ARANYA BHAWAN, CHANDRASEKHARPUR **BHUBANESWAR-751023**

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& CUM Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act) O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

#### The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC) Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (F.C. Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road New Delhi-110003

- Sub:- Permission for grant of lease under Section-2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. for non-forestry use of 60.508 ha of Dholta Pahar Iron Ore Block through e-auction sale in Sarkunda Reserved Forest in Bonai Forest Division under Sundargarh District, Odisha - Compliance to GoI, MoEF & CC observations regarding. (Online Proposal No. FP/OR/OTHERS/152380/2022)
- Ref: Letter No.8-15/2023-FC dt. 28.04.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

In inviting a reference to GoI, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi letter cited above on the captioned subject, the compliance basing on the reports of the DFO, Bonai and RCCF, Rourkela Circle is furnished below-:

#### Observation (i):- As per DSS analysis, based upon decision Rule 1 and 2 the area falls in High Conservation Value Zone. Moreover, the area is also an important wildlife habitat. The justification for proposing mining in this biodiversity rich area is required.

Compliance: The RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that pursuant to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015, Govt. of Odisha issued the notice inviting tender dated 07.07.2021 for commencement of the auction process to grant the mining Lease for DholtaPahar Iron Ore Block located in Koira Tahasil of Sundargarh district of Odisha. The eauction process was conducted in accordance with the tender document and the mineral auction rule,2015 for said mineral block and M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt Ltd was declared as the Preferred Bidder under Rule 9(9) (iii) or Rule10(A)of Auction Rules having quoted a final price offer of 126.55%.

Further, as reported by the DFO, Bonai Division, M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. has made payment of Rs.6,99,89,587 (Rupees Six crore Ninety-Nine lakhs Eighty Nine thousand Five hundred Eighty seven only) through treasury challan on dated 21.10.2021 against the first instalment being twenty percent of the upfront money.

Accordingly, the Government of Odisha have issued Letter of Intent (LoI) under Rule 10(2) of Mineral Auction Rules 2015 to M/s Kashvi Power &Steel Pvt Ltd for grant of Mining Lease for DholtaPahar Block for iron ore over an area of 60.508 Ha near Dengula village, Koira Tahasil of Sundargarh district of Odisha for a period of 50 years.

This Letter of Intent is valid subject to the provision of the Act and the Rules made there under as amended from time to time and M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. shall be designated as the Successful Bidder and the subsequently granted the mining lease only upon satisfactory completion of all the requirements under the Act and Rules made there under.

Further, the DFO, Bonai has intimated that as per Section 10B (3) MMDR Act,2015 which provide that "In areas where the existence of minerals contents of any notified mineral is established in the matter prescribed by the Central Govt., the State Govt. shall notify such areas for grant of mining leases for such notified minerals, the terms and conditions subject to which such mining leases shall be granted and any other relevant condition, in such matter as may be prescribed by the Central Govt. Accordingly, the State Govt. has notified for e-auction. The relevant page of the MMDR Act, 2015 is enclosed as Annexure-1.

Accordingly, M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. has submitted the application to obtain permission of 60.508 ha. of forest land under Section 2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 within their allotted Doltapahar Iron Ore Block of 60.508 ha. located in Sarkunda Reserved Forest in Koira Tehsil and Barsuan Range under Bonai Forest Division of Sundargarh District, Odisha

However, to mitigate the adverse impact of mining in this area, the Site Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan will be prepared as well as the Regional Wildlife Management Plan prepared for Keonjhar & Sundargarh district will be scrupulously implemented.

## <u>Observation (ii):-</u> The state government shall examine and submit a detailed report on the possible impact of mining on forest and wildlife in this area.

**Compliance:** The RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that an area of 60.508 ha of forest land has been proposed to be diverted under the project which is entirely located in Sarkunda Reserved Forest. This RF is characterized by the presence of wide variety of flora and fauna and hence the impact of the Project on Wildlife and Wildlife habitat needs to be addressed. The proposed forest area is having a canopy density of 0.6 and surrounding forest areas are also characterized by variety of flora and fauna. The area is also characterized by movement of wild elephants. Hence, impact of this project on wildlife and wildlife habitat needs. Since the area is characterized by the movement of elephants, measures need to be adopted for its protection, monitoring, habitat management and mitigation of HEC issues.

Hence, in order to mitigate the possible impact of mining in this area, the Site Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan is under preparation addressing all the wildlife issues and their conservation and the same will be scrupulously implemented.

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<u>Observation (iii):-</u> The area is a very dense forest and Elephant Movement has also been reported in the area proposed for diversion. Therefore, comments of PCCF (Wildlife) and CWLW, Odisha needs to be provided by the State Government.

**Compliance:** The RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & CWLW, Odisha, Bhubaneswar has submitted the compliance of the said observation to the Forest, Environment & Climate Change Deptt. Govt. of Odisha vide his Letter No.6462 dt.5.6.2023 stating that presence of wildlife, particularly elephants is observed in the areas surrounding project. However, with appropriate site specific mitigation measures, the effect of the project on the wildlife may be reduced. Accordingly, the Site Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan will be prepared and implemented to mitigate the effect of the project on the wildlife therein. And, such interventions to be prescribed will be for both project area; and also, within the zone of influence of 10 km radial distance. The entire cost thereof for its implementation will be borne by the Project Proponent for which the undertaking by the PP has already been furnished along with the forest diversion proposal. Copy of Letter No.6462 dt.5.6.2023 of the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Odisha is enclosed as **Annexure-2**.

## <u>Observation (iv):-</u> mining activities in this pristine/virgin and very dense forest area would also require road, electricity and water. State shall submit the details of how such requirements will be met.

**Compliance:** The RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the User Agency has intimated vide their Letter No.41 dt.16.6.2023 that the State Government while forwarding the Forest diversion Proposal to Central Govt have already mentioned that the allotee has applied for land lease for construction connecting road in Form-I (A) under Rule 6 (2) of the Odisha Government Land Settlement Rules,1983 to Tahasildar, Koira and the Tahasildar, Koira vide letter No.2741 dated 22.11.2022 has requested DFO, Bonai Forest division to ascertain the applicability of Forest Conservation Act,1980. The DFO, Bonai vide letter No. 10081 dated 29.11.2022 has requested the Kashvi Power & Steel Private Limited to apply for diversion of forest land involved as provided under Forest Conservation Act,1980 through online portal.

Further, the DGPS map of the connecting road has already been authenticated by the ORSAC (Copy of the letters enclosed as **Annexure-3**). and the Collector, Sundergarh vide his letter No 2609 dated15.03.2023 has requested all Tahasildars to identify land for compensatory afforestation in lieu of Forest Land to be diverted for road connectivity (Copy enclosed as **Annexure-4**). The compliance of the FRA, 2006 is also under process (Copy enclosed as **Annexure-5**). After identifying the CA land, the User Agency will apply online for forest clearance in the Parivesh-II portal under FC Act, 1980.

As regards to electricity, after execution of the lease deed, the User Agency will apply to NESCO to provide them 11 KV power line to their Mines and same will be drawn in the RoW of the proposed connecting road so that requirement of additional forest land will be avoided.

In regard to the requirement of water, the User Agency have already obtained NOC vide No. CGWA/NOC/MIN/ORIG/2023/17542, dated 12.01.2023 from CGWA, GoI to draw groundwater to the tune of 97 m<sup>3</sup>/day. A copy of the NOC is enclosed as Annexure–6.

In view of the above, the compliance to the observations dated 28.04.2023 of the GoI, MoEF & CC

(FC Division), New Delhi is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

#### Encl: Compliance in one set

Yours faithfully

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No.

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Copy along with one set of compliance forwarded to the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), GoI, MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference Letter No. 8-15/2023-FC dt. 28.04.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi. **Encl: Compliance in one set** 

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act /Dt. 24.07.2023

Memo No. 14925

Copy along with one set of compliance forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to with reference to Letter No. 8-15/2023-FC dt. 28.04.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi. Encl: Compliance in one set

> Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No.

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Copy forwarded to the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Odisha, Prakruti Bhawan, Plot No. 1459, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar-751007 for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 2235 dated 13.07.2023 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No.

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Copy forwarded to the RCCF, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 2234 dated 13.07.2023.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No.

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Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Bonai Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 2236 dated 13.07.2023 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No.

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Copy forwarded to M/s Kashvi Power & Steel (P) Ltd., Kashvi Mall, 4th Floor, Mining Road, Keonjhar, Odisha-758001 for information and necessary action.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

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Provided that in respect of any mineral specified in the First Schedule, no prospecting licence or mining lease shall be granted under clause (b) of this subsection except with the previous approval of the Central Government.

10B. (1) The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to cases covered by section 10A or section 17A or to minerals specified in Part A or Part B of the First Schedule or to land in respect of which the minerals do not vest in the Government.

(2) Where there is inadequate evidence to show the existence of mineral contents of any notified mineral in respect of any area, a State Government may, after obtaining the previous approval of the Central Government, grant a prospecting licence-cummining lease for the said notified mineral in such area in accordance with the procedure laid down in section 11.

(3) In areas where the existence of mineral contents of any notified mineral is established in the manner prescribed by the Central Government, the State Government shall notify such areas for grant of mining leases for such notified mineral, the terms and conditions subject to which such mining leases shall be granted, and any other relevant conditions, in such manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(4) For the purpose of granting a mining lease in respect of any notified mineral in such notified area, the State Government shall select, through auction by a method of competitive bidding, including e-auction, an applicant who fulfils the eligibility conditions as specified in this Act.

(5) The Central Government shall prescribe the terms and conditions, and procedure, subject to which the auction shall be conducted, including the bidding parameters for the selection, which may include a share in the production of the mineral, or any payment linked to the royalty payable, or any other relevant parameter, or any combination or modification of them.

(6) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-section (5), the Central Government shall, if it is of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient to do so, prescribe terms and conditions, procedure and bidding parameters in respect of categories of minerals, size and area of mineral deposits and a State or States, subject to which the auction shall be conducted:

Provided that the terms and conditions may include the reservation of any particular mine or mines for a particular end-use and subject to such condition which allow only such eligible end users to participate in the auction.

(7) The State Government shall grant a mining lease to an applicant selected in accordance with the procedure laid down in this section in respect of such notified mineral in any notified area.

Grant of nonexclusive notific reconnaissance miner permits.

10C. (1) Non-exclusive reconnaissance permits may be granted in respect of any notified mineral or non-notified mineral or a group of specified minerals, other than minerals specified in Part A or Part B of the First Schedule, subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(2) The holder of such non-exclusive reconnaissance permit shall not be entitled to make any claim for the grant of any prospecting licence-cum-mining lease or a mining lease.".

Grant of mining lease in respect of notified minerals through auction. - 0



#### OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (WILDLIFE) & CHIEF WILDLIFE WARDEN, ODISHA

Government of Odisha, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department PRAKRUTI BHAWAN, PLOT NO.1459, SAHEED NAGAR, BHUBANESWAR- 751007 Phone: 0674-2602250, Website: www.wildlife.odisha.gov.in, Email: odishawildlife@gmail.com

6462 No. / CWLW-FDWC-FD-0012-2023 Dated, Bhubaneswar the 05, May, 2023

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Odisha Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department Kharvela Bhawan, Bhubaneswar

- Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. for non-forestry use of 60.508 ha of forest land including 2.331 ha for safety zone in Dholta Pahar Iron ore Block for iron ore mining in Bonai Forest Division under Sundargarh District, Odisha –reg.
- Ref: Memo. No.9541/FE&CC dt 09.05.2023

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above cited Govt. Letter on the captioned subject, the point-wise compliance on the observations of MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi relating to wildlife issues is furnished as under.

# iii. The area is very dense forest and Elephant movement is reported in the area proposed for diversion. Therefore, comments of PCCF (WL) and CWLW, Odisha needs to be provided by the State Government.

**Compliance:** Presence of wildlife, particularly elephants is observed in the areas surrounding project. However, with appropriate site specific mitigation measures, the effect of the project on the wildlife may be reduced. Accordingly, the Site specific Wildlife Conservation Plan will be prepared and implemented to mitigate the effect of the project on the Wildlife therein. And, such interventions to be prescribed will be for both the project area; and also, within the zone of influence of 10 km radial distance. The entire cost thereof for its implementation will be borne by the Project Proponent for which the undertaking by the PP has already been furnished along with the forest diversion proposal.

xi. A copy of the approval of regional wildlife plan and the basis of calculation of the money proposed to be demanded from the User agency in this regard shall be submitted.

**Compliance:** Copy of the Comprehensive Regional Wildlife Management Plan for Keonjhar & Bonai Divisions is enclosed herewith as Annexure-A. The Plan was approved by Govt. of Odisha vide letter No.22295/F&E dt 30.12.2005 (Annexure-B) with provision for deposition of ₹15,000/- per ha and ₹11,000/- per ha of mining lease area, as the case may be, for implementation of mitigative measures.



Subsequently, due to enhancement of minimum wage rate and escalation of material cost, the cost norm has been revised to ₹82,000/- per ha to be realized over the entire mining lease area vide letter No.26159/F&E dt 05.12.2018 (Annexure-C). The said norm is still continuing. During the intervening period, the Wildlife Trust of India was entrusted by the State Govt. with preparation of Odisha State Comprehensive Wildlife Management Guidance (OSCOW-MAG), and now based on the said Guidance submitted by WTI on 25.01.2021, various management interventions are being carried out every year, on priority, in those areas from where the approved cost towards RWLMP @ ₹82,000/ha has been realized.

Encl: As above (two sets)

Principal CCF (WL) & CWLW, Odisha

Yours faithfulk

Memo No. 6463 105/06/2023

Copy with enclosures forwarded to the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha/ PCCF (FD & NO, FC Act), O/o PCCF & HoFF, Odisha for favour of information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.9540/FE&CC and Memo No.9541/FE&CC both dated 09.05.2023 respectively.

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Conservator of Forests (ET)

Memo No. 6464 105/06/2023

Copy with enclosures forwarded to the Regional CCF, Rourkela Circle/ DFO, Bonai Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.9542/FE&CC dt 09.05. 2023. They are requested to submit SSWLCP as per guidelines in time.

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Conservator of Forests (ET)

Memo No. 6465 105/06/2023

Copy forwarded to the GM, M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. Plot No.1234-P, Gobind Prasad, Bomikhal, Bhubaneswar - 751010 for information and necessary action with reference to Memo. No.9544/FE&CC dt 09.05.2023.

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**ODISHA SPACE APPLICATIONS CENTRE (ORSAC)** 

Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of Odisha

ORSAC/DGPS-FD/1144/2022 / 9079(2) dt. 01/01/23

#### The Divisional Forest Officer,

#### Bonai Forest Division, Bonai, Sundargarh

#### Email: dfo.bonai@odisha.gov.in

Sub: Verification of DGPS Survey of Forest areas proposed for diversion for connecting road from Dholta Pahar Iron Ore Block to PWD Road, Dengula in Koira, Sundargarh.

Ref: Your letter no. 2173 /6F-(Mg.) dt. 9. 3.2023.

#### Sir,

Encl: One hard copy map

With reference to the above it is to inform you that, the DGPS Survey of Forest areas proposed for diversion for connecting road from Dholta Pahar Iron Ore Block to PWD Road, Dengula in Koira, Sundargarh district has been verified by ORSAC and is certified that the map is correct at a confidence level of 95%. All the forest areas proposed for diversion comes under DLC forest category in Dengula village, Koira Tahsil, one patch each in Sarkunda PRF & Sarkunda R.F in Sundargarh district. Total forest areas proposed for diversion works out to **5.346Ha**. includes 0.140Ha. DLC Forest, 1.616Ha. Sarkunda PRF & 3.590Ha. Sarkunda R.F. area from the submitted .shp files against the proposed area of 5.305Ha/13.107Ac. (0.139Ha./0.343Ac. DLC Forest, 1.603Ha/3.96Ac. Sarkunda PRF & 3.563Ha./8.804Ac. Sarkunda R.F. area) as mentioned in the submitted record. Detail plot/patch wise statistics of forest areas proposed for diversion is attached herewith

Thanking You.

Yours faithfully

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(M. K. Sanabada) Scientist 'E'

Copy to: M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd., 1234-P, Gobindaprasad, Bomikhal, Bhubaneswar- 751010, Khordha, Odisha for information.

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Shri M. K. Sanabada Scientist, ORSAC Bhubaneswar



### OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, SUNDARGARH No. 2609 (Revenue Section) /S·3·23

To

All Tahasildars of Sundargarh District.

Sub:

Identification and allotment of 5.352 Ha. of non-forest Govt. land or 10.704 Ha. of degraded revenue forest land adjoining to RF/PF for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of forest land for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd.

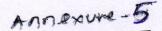
Sir/ Madam,

With reference to the letter on the subject cited above, I am to say that Authorised Signatory for M/s Kashvi Power and Steel Pvt. Ltd. has requested to allotment of 5.352 Ha. of non-forest Govt. Iand or 10.704 Ha. of degraded revenue forest land adjoining to RF/PF for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of forest land for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd.

You are therefore, requested to identify 5.352 Ha. of non-forest Govt. land or 10.704 Ha. of degraded revenue forest land adjoining to RF/PF for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation and furnish the land schedule and land plan in details within 7 days of receipt of this letter for further course of action at this end.

Yours faithfully. Addl District Magistrate, Sundargarh

Addi District Magistrate, Sundargarh





OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, SUNDARGARH No. 2562 (Revenue Section) (5-2.23

To

The Tahasildar, Koira.

Sub:-

Sir.

Proposal for diversion of forest land over 5.352 Ha. for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt.Ltd. under Koira Tehsil.

With reference to the letter on the subject cited above, I am to say that the Authorized Signatory, For and Behalf of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. has requested for issue of NOC under Forest Right Act- 2006 coming under linear project for diversion of forest land over 5.352 Ha. for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt.Ltd. under Koira Tehsil in Sundargarh district.

You are, therefore, requested to enquire into the matter and submit a report in details on the following points at an early date as per Form-I as it is a Linear Project to the SDLC Bonai as per Government of India MoEF Circular dated 15.01.2014 & 05.02.2013. The copy of land schedule is attached herewith for ready reference.

- 1. Whether any Primitive Tribal Group (PTG) or Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC) are staying in the village where forest land is proposed for diversion?
- 2. If, yes number of such families in the villages.
- 3. If PTG/PAC are staying in the villages, have they filed any claims under Forest Right Act for individual or community Right? If yes, give details.
- 4. Whether identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire forest area proposed for diversion for the project is completed or not. A copy of meetings of the FRC/ SDLC/ DLC is to be submitted.

Yours faithfully Addl. District Magistrate, Sundargarh

### Memo No. 2563 dated 15. 3. 23

Copy alongwith the copy of enclosures forwarded to the BDO, Koira information & necessary action. He is requested to co-operate with Tahasildar, Koira on the aforesaid matter at the time of enquiry.

2023

Addl. District Magistrate, Sundargarh



## OFFICE OF THE TAHASILDAR, KOIRA

Ph/Fax- 06625-235380, E-mail: tah.koida-od@nic.in Letter No. 999 ..... /Date 17 /05/2023

To

#### The Sub-Collector, Bonai

Sub: - Submission of point wise enquiry report under Forest Right Act 2006 in respect of forest land measuring 5.352 Ha. for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Koira Tahasil.

Your office letter no. 1202/FRA dtd.17.03.2023 Ref: -

Sir.

With reference to the letter on the subject cited above, I am to submit herewith the point wise enquiry report under Forest Right Act 2006 in respect of forest land measuring 5.352 Ha., However during as per the joint verification and DGPS survey the proposed area is 5.305 Ha. instead of 5.352 Ha. and DGPS Map area is 5.346 Ha for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Koira Tahasil in Sundargarh district as follows: -

1. There is no Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) or Pre-Agricultural Committees (PAC) staying in the village where forest land is proposed for diversion.

- 2. There are no such families in the villages.
- 3. There is no PTG/PAC staying in the village.
- 4. Identification and settlement of rights under FRA has been carried out for the entire forest land of 5.305 ha. is proposed area / 5.346 Ha. is Map area as per DGPS proposed for diversion under Koira Tahasil for the project is completed. No tittle has been issued under forest land proposed for diversion.
- 5. Further, no new FRA claim application has been received in the special drive under saturation of FRA within the proposed area for diversion of 5.305 ha. is proposed area / 5.346 Ha. is Map area as per DGPS of forest land in vill-Dengula and Sarkunda PRF under Koira Tahasil.

This is for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: - Land Schedule of vill-Dengula

Memo No. 1000

Yours faithfully. Tahasild

10t. 17/05/2023 Copy submitted to the Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference district office letter no. 2562 VIII-26/2023 dtd.15.03.2023

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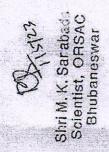
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For Kashvi Power And Steel Pvt. Ltd.

FORM NO. 1 (For Linear Projects) Government of Odisha

## OFFICE OF THE TAHASILDAR, KOIRA TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Government of India's letter no. 11-9/98-FC (Pt) dtd 3<sup>rd</sup> August'2009 where in the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under Schedule Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights Act 2006 (FRA) on the Forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's circulars dated 05.02.2013, 05.07.2013 and 15.01.2014 where in MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 5.305 Ha. of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd within the jurisdiction of village Dengula under Koira Tahasil for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula.

It is further certified that ...

a) The complete process for identification and settlement of Rights under FRA has been carried out for entire 5.305 Ha. i.e Ac.13.109 of forest land proposed for diversion in Koira Tahasil for the project. No tittle has been issued on the forest land proposed for the diversion. As per DGPS survey Map area is 5.346 ha.

b) No such facilities managed by Government requiring diversion of forest land u/s 3(2) of Forest Right Acts, 2006 exists over forest land proposed for diversion.

c) The proposal does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC).

d) Further, no new FRA claim application has been received in the special drive under saturation of FRA within the proposed area for diversion.

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OFFICE OF THE SUB-COLLECTOR, BONAI

Phone No.:- 0662-244433, E-mail : sdmbonai@gmail.com

No. / FRA Date

The Project Administrator, I.T.D.A., Sundargarh.

Enclosure : FRA Certificate, Certificate in Form-1

Alongwith DGPS map.

Issue of NOC under FRA- 2006 (for linear project) for diversion of forest land over 5.352 ha. for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Koira Tehsil.

Memo No. 2365 dated. 15.03.2023 of ADM, Sundargarh in your address.

Sir,

Ref:

With reference to the letter on the subject cited above, I am to say that as per Form-1 submitted by Tehsildar, Koira on diversion of forest land for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd., the actual proposed area for diversion of forest land is 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) instead of 5.352 ha.

Therefore, I am to submit herewith certificate in Form- 1 submitted by Tehsildar, Koira for diversion of 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) forest land for the above mentioned project in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. duly approved in Sub-Divisional Level Committee meeting under Forest Right Act, 2006 held on 31.05.2023 for further action at your level.

Yours faithfully

1.5.23 Sub-Collector, Bonai

Sub:

To

#### **CERTIFICATE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

A proposal was received for diversion of 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) of forest land under Koira Tehsil for non-forest purpose for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 ensuring the compliance of provisions of Forest Right Act, 2006. In complying to the statutory obligation of the relevant Act & Rules along with the Govt. guidelines received from time to time.

In view of the compliance to the provisions of Forest Rights Act, 2006, it is reveals that the imperative tone of the provisions of the Act & Rules along with Govt. guidelines have been strictly followed without prejudice to the interest of the villagers without indulgence to the claim of the forest right beneficiaries.

This is to submitted as follows:-

- a) As reveals from the report of Tehsildar, Koira, the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under FRA has been carried out for the entire 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) of forest land proposed for non-forest purpose.
- b) The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under FRA has been carried out for entire 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) of forest land proposed for diversion in Koira Tehsil for the project. No Title has been issued on the forest land proposed for diversion.
- c) No such facilities managed by Government requiring diversion of forest land u/s 3(2) of Forest Right Act, 2006 exists over forest land proposed for diversion.
- d) The proposal does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC).

Sub-Collector, Bonai

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**OFFICE OF THE SUB-COLLECTOR, BONAI** 

Phone No.:- 0662-244433, E-mail : <u>sdmbonai@gmail.com</u> Letter No. <u>2542</u> / FRA Date <u>091612623</u>

То

The Project Administrator, I.T.D.A., Sundargarh.

Sub:- Submission of proceeding of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights) meeting held on 31.05.2023.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am to submit herewith the proceeding of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights) meeting held on 31.05.2023 in the office chamber of the undersigned under Forest Rights Act- 2006 & its Subsequent Amendment Rules- 2012 for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Enclosure : As above

Sub-Collector, Bonai W

## Memo No. 2543 / FRA Date 0916 2023

Copy along with Proceeding of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights) meeting submitted to the Collector-Cum-Chairman, D.L.C. (Forest Rights), Sundargarh for favour of kind information.

## Sub-Collector, Bonai

Memo No. 2544 / FRA Date 0916 2023

Copy along with Proceeding of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights) meeting submitted to the Project Administrator, Bonai/ DFO, Bonai/ DFO, Rourkela for information.

Sub-Conector, Bonai W

Memo No. 2545 / FRA Date 09 6 2023

Copy along with Proceeding of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights) meeting sent to all members of S.D.L.C. (Forest Rights ), Bonai / All Tehsildars/ All BDOs of this Sub\_Division for information and necessary action.

Sub-Collector, Bonai

#### PROCEEDING OF SUB-DIVISIONAL LEVEL COMMITTEE MEETING UNDER FOREST RIGHTS ACT HELD ON 31.05.2023 at 10.00 AM IN THE OFFICE CHAMBER OF THE SUB-COLLECTOR, BONAL

The Sub-Divisional Level Committee (Forest Rights) Meeting under FRA-2006 & its Subsequent Amendment Rule, 2012 held on 31.05.2023 at 10.00 AM in the office chamber of the Sub-Collector, Bonai under the Chairmanship of Sub-Collector, Bonai.

The list of members present in the meeting is annexed at Annexure-A.

At the outset, the Sub-Collector-cum-Chairman, Sub-Divisional Level (Forest Rights) Committee, Bonai welcomed all the members to the meeting.

1. Diversion Proposal of Forest land for Non-Forest Purpose.

i)Issue of certificate in Form-1 (Linear Project) for diversion of 5.352 ha. forest land for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to FWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Koira Tehsil.

Sub-Collector apprised the committee that the Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh has requested vide Dist. Office Memo No. 2564 dated. 15.03.2023 to issue certificate under FRA, 2006 for diversion of 5.352 ha forest land for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. under Koira Tehsil. Further Sub-Collector, Bonai stated the committee that, Tehsildar, Koira has reported that the actual forest area proposed for diversion is 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) instead of 5.352 ha. Accordingly Tehsildar, Koira has submitted FRA certificate as per Form-1 for diversion of 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) forest land in favour of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd for construction of connecting road from Dholtapahar Iron Ore Block to PWD road Dengula which is duly certified by the Block Development Officer, Koira, Tehsildar, Koira & Welfare Extension Officer, Koira.

The FRA certificate as per Form- 1 submitted by Tehsildar, Koira reveals that;

- a) The complete process for identification and settlement of Rights under FRA has been carried out for entire 5.305 ha. (5.346 ha. as per DGPS map) of forest land proposed for diversion in Koira Tehsil for the project.
- b) No such facilities managed by Government requiring diversion of forest land u/s 3(2) of Forest Right Act, 2006 exists over forest land proposed for diversion.
- c) The proposal does not recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC).
- d) No new FRA claim application has been received in the special drive under saturation of FRA within the proposed area for diversion.

The above mentioned reports received from Tehsildar, Koira discloses that, all action have been adopted positively in maintaining equity in adherence to intended Govt. guidelines.

After threadbare discussion, basing on the report of Tehsildar, Koira, the SDLC unanimously decided to recommend the proposal to the DLC for approval in favour of the user agency M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd. It is also decided in the meeting that if any ST & OTFD will be affected in future on the said linear project will be settled by the user agency as per norms of Govt. guidelines received from time to time and provision under Forest Right Act, 2006 & its subsequent amendment rules, 2012.

ii)Issue of certificate in Form-II (Non-Linear Project) for diversion of 4.775 ha. forest land for capacity enhancement of Sponge Iron Plant to Integrated Steel Plant by M/s B.R. Sponge & Power Ltd under Lahun ipara Tehsil.

Sub-Collector, Bonai stated the committee that in spite of several intimation Tehsiladar, Lahunipara has not submitted FRA certificate in Form-II, land schedule & GPS reading map for diversion of 4.775 ha. of forest land for non-forest purpose for capacity enhancement of Sponge Iron Plant to Integrated Steel Plant by M/s B.R. Sponge & Power Ltd.

After detailed discussion, the committee instructed Tehsildar, Lahunipara to take necessary steps for submission of the FRA certificate along with land schedule & GPS reading map for the project to the SDLC early for further necessary action.

#### iii)Kala Barrage Irrigation Project.

Sub-Collector, Bonai stated the committee that in spite of several intimation, the Gram Sabha resolution and report of Tehsiladar, Lahunipara on diversion of Forest land for Non-Forest purpose for Kala Barrage Irrigation Project are not yet received. In this connection, Tehsildar, Lahuniapara stated that the villagers of Banki are reluctant to give their consent for the project as they will not be benefitted from the said project. Sub-Collector instructed Tehsildar, Lahunipara to consult with villagers and get their consent for the project.

After detailed discussion the committee instructed Tehsildar, Lahunipara to take necessary steps for submission of the Gram Sabha resolution as well as FRA certificate to the SDLC early for further necessary action.

#### iv)Karapani Irrigation Project.

Sub-Collector, Bonai stated the committee that in spite of several intimation, the Gram Sabha resolution and FRA certificate of Tehsildar, Lahunipara/ Bonai on diversion of Forest land for Non-Forest purpose for Karapani Irrigation Project are not yet received. The committee instructed Tehsildar, Bonai to submit the FRA certificate to the SDLC for further action.

Further, Sub-Collector, Bonai stated that, out of 10 village under Lahunipara Tehsil, 08 nos. of villages have given their consent for the project but villagers of Ranja and Angul didn't give their consent. Sub-Collector, Bonai instructed Tehsildar, Lahunipara to sensitize the villagers of Ranja and Angul about the project and tell the villagers that better livelihood opportunities will come through Karapani Irrigation Project as proper irrigation facilities will be available by this project for their farmlands and get their consent for the project.

After detailed discussion the committee instructed Tehsildar & Welfare Extension Officer, Lahunipara/Bonai to submit the FRA certificate along with Gram Sabha resolutions to the SDLC at an early for further necessary action.

2. <u>605 no. of DLC approved IFR claims forwarded to all Tehsil for inserting GPS reading</u> map.

Sub-Collector, Bonai apprised the committee that 605 no. of DLC approved IFR claims( Bonai- 21, Lahunipara- 254, Gurundia- 201 & Koira- 129) forwarded to all Tehsildars under Bonai Sub-Division for inserting GPS reading map. But, till date only 260 claims received from Tehsildars after necessary compliance and rest 345 claims (Bonai- 9, Lahunipara- 183 & Gurundia- 153) are pending for submission to the SDLC.

The committee instructed Tehsildar, Bonai/Lahunipara/Gurundia to take necessary steps for early submission of the pending IFR claims to SDLC after inserting GPS reading map.

#### 3. CFR claims

Sub-Collector, Bonai apprised the committee that, 04 no. of CFR claims of village Kucheita, Hatiodha, Ergeda, Chhidi are pending with the Divisional Forest Officer, Rourkela & 01 no. of CFR claim of village Madhupur is pending with the Divisional Forest Officer, Bonai for GPS reading work since long. The committee instructed ACF, Rourkela & Bonai for early submission of said 05 no. of CFR claims after necessary compliance.

4. Demarcation & Correction of RoR under FRA- 2006

Sub-Collector, Bonai reviewed the matter and expressed displeasure for poor performance of the Tehsildars on upload of RoR in Bhulekh portal. Sub-Collector instructed all Tehsildars to dispose all pending cases of updating RoR in Bhulekh portal at an early to clear the pendency and submit the MPR by 5<sup>th</sup> of each succeeding months regularly.

Sl. No.	Tehsil	Title Distributed	ROR Corrected	Pending
1	Bonai	1294	206	1088
2	Lahunipada	2879	2879	0
3	Gurundia	2945	2945	0
4	Koida	2596	2596	0
Total		9714	8626	1088

#### Correction of ROR under FRA

#### **ROR Uploaded in Bhulekh Portal**

Sl. No.	Tehsil	Title Distributed	ROR Uploaded in Bhulekh Portal	Pending
1	Bonai	1294	206	1088
2	Lahunipada	2879	2623	256
3	Gurundia	2945	552	2393
4	Koida	2596	2391	205
Total		9714	5772	3942

#### Information on Demarcation

Sl. No.	Tehsil	Title Distributed	Demarcation Made	Pending for Demarcation
1	Bonai	1294	1294	0
2	Lahunipada	2879	2879	0
3	Gurundia	2945	2945	0
4	Koida	2596	2596	0
Total		9714	9714	0

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair and participants.

Sub-Collector-cum-Chairman, SDLC(Forest Rights), Bonai

Memo No. 256 Y dated 15. 3. 23

Copy forwarded to the Sub-Collector, Bonai for information & necessary action. He is requested to take necessary follow up action after receipt of report alongwith Form-I from Tehsildar Koira observing all formalities prescribed. The SDLC shall examine the report and submit exhaustive report / proceeding to the DLC for taking further action.

1023 Addl. District Magistrate, Sundargarh

Memo No. 2365 dated 15-3-23

Copy forwarded to the Project Administrator-cum-Chairman DLC, Sundargarh for information & necessary action. He is requested to take necessary proper follow up action for issue of FRA certificate after receipt of report in Form-I from Tehsildar, Koira and SDLC report after observing all formalities.

> Addl. District Magistrate, Sundargarh

Memo No. 2566 dated 15. 3. 23

Copy to the Authorized Signatory, For and Behalf of M/s Kashvi Power & Steel Pvt. Ltd., Kashvi Mall, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mining Road, Keonjhar, Odisha for information & necessary action.

Addl. District-Magistrate, Sundargarh

Annexure



भारत सरकार जल शक्ति मंत्रालय जल संसाधन, नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण विभाग केन्द्रीय भूमि जल प्राधिकरण Government of India Ministry of Jal Shakti Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation Central Ground Water Authority

#### (भूजल निकासी हेतु अनापत्ति प्रमाण पत्र) NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE (NOC) FOR GROUND WATER ABSTRACTION

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A	ddress of CGWB R	egional Office :	Central Ground Water Bo Square, Nh-5, Bhubanesh	ard Sou war, Kh	th Eastern ordha, Oc	n Region, B lisha - 750	hujal Bhawan, Khandagiri 001
1.	NOC No.:	CGWA/NOC	/MIN/ORIG/2023/17542	2.	Date of	Issuence	12/01/2023
3.	Application No.:	21-4/4591/01	R/MIN/2022		Categor (GWRE	y:	Safe
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10. Details of ground water abstraction /Dewatering structures

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(Compliance Conditions given overleaf)

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Validity of this NOC shall be subject to compliance of the following conditions:

Mandatory conditions:

1) Installation of tamper proof digital water flow meter with telemetry on all the abstraction structure(s) shall be mandatory for all users seeking No Objection Certificate and intimation regarding their installation shall be communicated to the CGWA within 30 days of grant of No Objection Certificate.

2) Proponents shall mandatorily get water flow meter calibrated from an authorized agency once in a year.

3) Construction of purpose-built observation wells (piezometers) for ground water level monitoring shall be mandatory as per Section 14 of Guidelines. Water level data shall be made available to CGWA through web portal. Detailed guidelines for construction of piezometers are given in Annexure-II of the guidelines.

4) Proponents shall monitor quality of ground water from the abstraction structure(s) once in a year. Water samples from bore wells/ tube wells / dug wells shall be collected during April/May every year and analysed in NABL accredited laboratories for basic parameters (cations and anions), heavy metals, pesticides/ organic compounds etc. Water quality data shall be made available to CGWA through the web portal.

5) In case of mining projects, additional key wells shall be established in consultation with the Regional Director, CGWB for ground water level monitoring four (4) times a year (January, May, August and November) in core as well as buffer zones of the mine.

6) In case of mining project the firm shall submit water quality report of mine discharge/ seepage from Govt. approved/ NABL accredited lab.

7) The firm shall report compliance of the NOC conditions online in the website (www.cgwa-noc.gov.in) within one year from the date of issue of this NOC.

8) Industries abstracting ground water in excess of 100 m 3 /d shall undertake annual water audit through certified auditors and submit audit reports within three months of completion of the same to CGWA. All such industries shall be required to reduce their ground water use by at least 20% over the next three years through appropriate means.

9) Application for renewal can be submitted online from 90 days before the expiry of NOC. Ground water withdrawal, if any, after expiry of NOC shall be illegal & liable for legal action as per provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

10) This NOC is subject to prevailing Central/State Government rules/laws/norms or Court orders related to construction of tube well/ground water abstraction structure / recharge or conservation structure/discharge of effluents or any such matter as applicable.

#### General conditions

11) No additional ground water abstraction and/or de-watering structures shall be constructed for this purpose without prior approval of the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA).

12) The proponent shall seek prior permission from CGWA for any increase in quantum of groundwater abstraction (more than that permitted in NOC for specific period).

13) Proponents shall install roof top rain water harvesting in the premise as per the existing building bye laws in the premise.

14) The project proponent shall take all necessary measures to prevent contamination of ground water in the premises failing which the firm shall be responsible for any consequences arising thereupon.

15) In case of industries that are likely to contaminate the ground water, no recharge measures shall be taken up by the firm inside the plant premises. The runoff generated from the rooftop shall be stored and put to beneficial use by the firm.

16) Wherever feasible, requirement of water for greenbelt (horticulture) shall be met from recycled / treated waste water.

17) Wherever the NOC is for abstraction of saline water and the existing wells (s) is /are yielding fresh water, the same shall be sealed and new tubewell(s) tapping saline water zone shall be constructed within 3 months of the issuance of NOC. The firm shall also ensure safe disposal of saline residue, if any

18) Unexpected variations in inflow of ground water into the mine pit, if any, shall be reported to the concerned Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board.

19) In case of violation of any NOC conditions, the applicant shall be liable to pay the penalties as per Section 16 of Guidelines.

20) This NOC does not absolve the proponents of their obligation / requirement to obtain other statutory and administrative clearances from appropriate authorities.

21) The issue of this NOC does not imply that other statutory / administrative clearances shall be granted to the project by the concerned authorities. Such authorities would consider the project on merits and take decisions independently of the NOC.

22) In case of change of ownership, new owner of the industry will have to apply for incorporation of necessary changes in the No Objection Certificate with documentary proof within 60 days of taking over possession of the premises.

23) This NOC is being issued without any prejudice to the directions of the Hon'ble NGT/court orders in cases related to ground water or any other related matters.

24) Proponents, who have installed/constructed artificial recharge structures in compliance of the NOC granted to them previously and have availed rebate of upto 50% (fifty percent) in the ground water abstraction charges/ground water restoration charges, shall continue to regularly maintain artificial recharge structures.

25) Industries which are likely to cause ground water pollution e.g. Tanning, Slaughter Houses, Dye, Chemical/ Petrochemical, Coal washeries, pharmaceutical, other hazardous units etc. (as per CPCB list) need to undertake necessary well head protection measures to ensure prevention of ground water pollution as per Annexure III of the guidelines.

26) In case of new infrastructure projects having ground water abstraction of more than 20 m3/day, the firm/entity shall ensure implementation of dual water supply system in the projects.

27) In case of infrastructure projects, paved/parking area must be covered with interlocking/perforated tiles or other suitable measures to ensure groundwater infiltration/harvesting.

28) In case of coal and other base metal mining projects, the project proponent shall use the advance dewatering technology (by construction of series of dewatering abstraction structures) to avoid contamination of surface water.

29) The NOC issued is conditional subject to the conditions mentioned in the Public notice dated 27.01.2021 failing which penalty/EC/cancellation of NOC shall be imposed as the case may be.
30) This NOC is issued subject to the clearance of Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) (if applicable).

(Non-compliance of the conditions mentioned above is likely to result in the cancellation of NOC and legal action against the proponent.)