

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From
Sri S.K.Chhotray, I.F.S.,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force) (**FAC**)
Andhra Pradesh,
Sankuratri Residency, Agathavarapadu
M.G. Inner Ring Road, Guntur-522509

To
The Principal Secretary to
Government,
Environment, Forest, Science
and Technology Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravathi.

Rc.No. 3409/2014-FCA-2, Dated: 23-11-2017.

Sir,

Sub: APFD – F (C)Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of 4.47 Ha.
(i.e.2.96 Ha.,for Mining + 0.50 Ha.for Dumping area + 0.60
Ha., for safety zone area + 0.41 Ha.,for approach road area)
of forest land for extraction of colour granite in
compt.No.103, Boyakonda R.F., of Chittoor (West) Division
in favour of M/s.Sri Sai Rocks – additional information
submitted – Reg.

Ref: 1. D.M.G., A.P., Hyd. Lr.No.46108/R5-1/2013,
dt.07.01.2014.
2. Proposal No.FP/AP/QRY/8856/2014 uploaded in the
Ministry's website.
3. C.C.F., Ananthapuram Rc.No.2884/2014-T.O.,
dt.26.12.2016.
4. P.C.C.F. (HoFF) A.P., Guntur Rc.No.3409/2014-FCA.2,
dt.31.01.2017.
5. Govt.Memo No.482/Sec.II/2017, E.F.S.&T.(Sec.II) Deptt,
dt.20.03.2017.
6. D.F.O., Chittoor (West) Rc.No.3476/2014-A2,
dt.27.03.2017.
7. Representation of M/s. Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor
dt.20.11.2017.

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It is submitted that the Government vide reference 5th cited has requested to furnish the information on the (4) four points as stipulated therein for further action on the subject proposal.

The information as desired by the Government has been obtained from the Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (West) and submitted the point wise information as follows :

Sl.No.	Information as desired by the GoAP in their letter dt.20.03.2017.	Reply.
(i)	The no objection certificate as required under RoFR Act from the District Collector is not enclosed.	The User Agency has furnished the RoFR. Certificate issued by the District Collector, Chittoor vide REV-CSECOMG(QMSG)/20/2017-D, TH(C7), dt.14.11.2017 (submitted herewith)
(ii)	Justification for locating the mining project inside R.F., and if quality of granite is different than available in the outside, then by what difference of quality to be certified are not furnished.	The required justification was already furnished by the DMG, A.P., Hyderabad vide para-2 in Lr.No.46108/R5-1/13, dt.07.02.2016. The D.M.G., has also informed that the type of deposit available in the applied area is in the form of discontinuous bodies of falling in forest lands. The

		dyke is trending in N-S direction as a length of about 0.6 KMs with a width varying between 170 and 175 Mtrs. A copy of the D.M.G., letter dt.07.02.2016 is enclosed herewith for ready reference.
(iii)	No certificate from the Director of Mines & Geology proving that high quality granite stone is not available outside in the State has been furnished.	The D.M.G., A.P., Hyderabad in his letter dt.07.02.2016 has informed that the Granite, granite gneiss dolerite, gabbro etc., are important rock types which are commonly exploited as granite dimension stones. Generally, the mineral occurring in the applied area is peninsular gneissic complex of Archeans. The mineral available in the applied area is not available anywhere else in the District.
(iv)	Further it has not been confirmed whether the mine falls under cluster mine group or standalone project. As brought out in the report of the DFO, the mining area is confirmed to hillock. No plans are available to control soil erosion and DFO/CCF/PCCF, have not remarked whether opening of RF., area will lead to fragmentation..	The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (West) has informed that this is the first mining project in this R.F., and there are no mining applications processed and pending in this locality. It is further informed that in the proposal as against part-II Q.No.7 (viii) at page 15 it was mentioned that " the mining area is located on the top of the small hillock and hence, a deep trench or stone wall should be provided along the periphery of the proposed lease area ". The proposed area is almost abutting the R.F., boundary and hence it may not lead to fragmentation.

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- S.K.Chhotray,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force).(FAC)

Encl.:- As above.

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (West) Division, Chittoor.
Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Ananthapur for information.
Copy to M/s.Sri Sai Rocks, 19-592, Near Masanical Grounds, Mittoor,
Chittoor-517 001 (A.P.) for information.

//t.c.b.o.//

Superintendent.

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[Signature]
28/1/2017

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

From

Sri Pradyumna, P.S., I.A.S.,
District Collector,
Chittoor.

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
Chittoor West Division,
Chittoor.

REV-CSEC0MG(QMSG)/20/2017-D.TH(C7), dated: 14-11-2017

Sir,

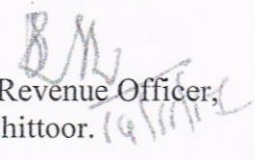
Sub:- Mines & Minerals – Chittoor District – APFD – F(C) Act. 1980 – Proposals for diversion of 4.47 Ha (i.e., 2.96 Ha for Mining area, 0.60 Ha for Safety Zone Area + 0.41 Ha for Road Area and 0.50 Ha Dumping) of Forest Land in Compt. No. 103 of Boyakonda RF of Chittoor West Division, Chittoor for quarry lease of Colour Granite in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks – Accorded Stage-I approval – Amendment Guideline of GoI – Requirement of Certificates under RoFR Act, 2006 – DLSC Conduct – Reg.

- Ref:- 1. Lr. Roc No.3476/2014/TO, dated: 27-03-2017 of the Divisional Forest Officer, West Division, Chittoor
2. This office REV-CSEC0MG(QMSG)/20/2017-D.TH(C7), dated: 18-04-2017 & 27-05-2017
3. Roc B1/789/2017, dated: 05-07-2017 of the Sub Collector, Madanapalle..

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I invite your attention to the references cited and enclose the Annexure of information in “a to h” along with Form-II certificate under RoFR Act 2006 relating to diversion of 4.47 Ha (i.e., 2.96 Ha for Mining area, 0.60 Ha for Safety Zone Area + 0.41 Ha for Road Area and 0.50 Ha Dumping) of Forest Land in Compt. No. 103 of Boyakonda RF of Chittoor West Division, Chittoor for quarry lease of Colour Granite in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor for taking further action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


District Revenue Officer,
Chittoor.

SRI SAI ROCKS

Date 20/11/2017

To
Pri. Chief Conservator of Forests,
EVR Garden, " Sankurathri Towers,
MG Inner Ring Road, Agathavarapadu,
Guntur - 522 509

Sub : APFD-FC Act 1980, Proposal for Diversion of 4.470 Hects (i.e 2.96 Ha for Mining + 0.50 Ha for Dumping area + 0.60 Ha for safety zone area + 0.41 ha for approach road area) of Forest Land for extraction of colour granite in Compt No. 103, Boyakonda R.F. of Chittoor (West) Division in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks - Submission of RoFR Certificate - Reg.

Ref: 1. Your Office Letter No. 3409/2014/FCA-2 dated 26.04.2017.
2. RoFR Certificate No. REV-CSECOMG(QMG)/20/2017-D.TH(C7) dated 14.11.2017

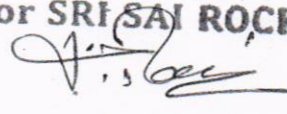
With reference to the above subject and reference cited as per your instructions we have processed and got the RoFR Certificate from District Collector, Chittoor vide reference 2nd cited.

We are herewith submitting the original RoFR Certificate - Form II along with AtoH proforma for your kind perusal. Kindly forward the same to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for taking necessary action.

Kindly do the needful.

Thanking you,

Encl: Original RoFR Certificate along with AtoH proforma.

Yours faithfully,
For SRI SAI ROCKS

PROPRIETOR

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROFORMA RELATING TO SCHEDULED TRIBES
AND OTHER TRADITIONAL FOREST DWELLERS (RECOGNITION OF FOREST
RIGHTS) ACT 2006 AS PER THE MOEF LR. NO. 11-9/1998-FC (PT),
DATED: 30-07-2009 AND 03-08-2009.**

Sl. No	GOI LR. NO. 11-9/1998-FC(PT), DATED: 30-07-2009 AND 03-08-2009	Replies
A	A letter from the State Government Certifying that the complete process of identification and settlements of rights under the RoFR Act has been carried out for the entire forest area proposed for diversion, with a record of full consultation and meetings held	There are no claims received under section 3 (1) (c) and 4 (5) of RoFR Act proposed for diversion of 4.47 Ha (2.96 Ha of Mining area and an extent of 0.60 Ha (7.5 Meters) as Safety Zone and 0.50 Ha for Dumping and an extent of 0.44 Ha Road area) in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks in Compartment No.103 of Boyakonda RF, Chittoor West Division, Punganur Mandal, Chittoor District.
B	A letter from the State Government Certifying that proposals for such diversion (with full details of the project and its implications, in vernacular / local languages) have been placed before each concerned Grama Sabha of forest-dwellers, who are eligible under the RoFR Act.	There are no forest Dwellers in the proposed area; hence the question of placing the proposals before the Grama Sabha does not arise. However the Grama Panchayat has passed resolution stating that there is no objection for diversion of 4.47 Ha (2.96 Ha of Mining area and an extent of 0.60 Ha (7.5 Meters) as Safety Zone and 0.50 Ha for Dumping and an extent of 0.44 Ha Road area) in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks in Compartment No.103 of Boyakonda RF of Punganur Mandal.
C	A letter from each of the concerned Grama Sabhas, indicating that all formalities/ processes under the RoFR Act have been carried out and that they have given their consent to the proposed diversion and the compensatory and ameliorative measures if any having understood the purposes and details of proposed diversion.	There are no claims under RoFR Act with regard to the proposed area. Question of obtaining consent from the Grama Sabha does not arise under RoFR Act. However Grama Sabha was conducted at Chandramakulapalle Grama Panchayat and obtained written statement stating that there is no objection for grant of quarry lease in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor
D	A Letter from the State Government certifying that the diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the RoFR Act have been completed and that the Grama Sabhas have consented to it	Since there are no claims under RoFR Act with regard to the proposed area. However Grama Sabha was conducted and no objections were received.
E	A letter from the state Government certifying that discussions and decisions on such proposals had placed only when there was a quorum of minimum 50% of members of the Grama Sabha present.	The Gram Sabha was conducted with the villagers of Chandramakulapalle Panchayat of Punganur Mandal. The villagers have not raised any objections for diversion of proposed site.
F	Obtaining the written consent or rejection of the Gram Sabha to the proposals	The written consent of the Gram Sabha of Chandramakulapalle village and Panchayat is enclosed. The Gram Panchayat has also passed resolution of diversion of land in forest area.
G	A letter from the State Government certifying that the Government certifying that the rights of primitive Tribal Groups and pre-agricultural communities, where applicable, have been specifically safeguard as per section 3(1) (e) of the RoFR Act	Since there are no primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural Communities, Vana Samrakshana Samithi existing in the proposed area for diversion of protection of rights of such groups will not arise.
H	Any other issues having bearing on operationalisation of the RoFR Act	There are no other issues concerned with regards to RoFR Act.

District Tribal Welfare Officer,
Chittoor
Convener

Divisional Forest Officer,
Chittoor West Division,
Chittoor

District Collector,
Chittoor.
Chairman
District Collector
Chittoor.

FORM-II
For projects other than linear projects
Government of Andhra Pradesh
Office of the District Collector, Chittoor

REV-CSECOMG(QMSG)/20/2017-D.TH(C7)

Dated: 14-10-2017

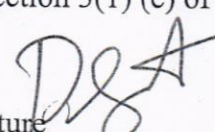
TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the guidelines of Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) Government of India's letter No.II-9/98-FC(pt) dated: 3rd August, 2009 on submission of evidence for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA for Short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5th February, 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of liner projects. It is certified that 4.47 Ha hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks (name of user agency) for extraction of Black Granite i.e., for Mining, Road, Safety Zone and Dumping Area (purpose for diversion of forest land) in Compartment No.103 of Boyakonda RF of Punganur Mandal of Chittoor West Division falls within jurisdiction of Chandramakulapalle village (s) in Punganur Mandal.

It is further certified that:

- a) The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 4.47 Ha of forest area proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee (s), Grama Sabha(s), Sub Divisional Level Committee (s) and District Level Committee are enclosed as annexure "a to h."
- b) The proposals for such diversion (with full details of the project and its implications in vernacular / Local languages) have been placed before each concerned Grama Sabha of Forest Dwellers who are eligible under RoFR Act.
- c) The each of the concerned Gama Sabha(s) has certified that all formalities / Processes under the RoFR Act have been carried out and they have given their consent to the proposed diversion and the compensatory and ameliorative measures if any having understood the purposes and details of proposed diversion. A copy of certificate issued by the Grama Sabha of Chandramakulapalle village is enclosed.
- d) The discussions and decision on such proposals had taken place only when there was quorum of minimum 50% of members of the Grama Sabha present.
- e) The Diversions of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the FRA have been completed and the Grama Sabhas have given their consent to it.
- f) The rights of primitive tribal groups and pre Agricultural Communities, where applicable have been specifically safeguarded as per section 3(1) (e) of the FR Act.

Encl: As above.

Signature 
 Full name and official seal of the District Collector.
District Collector
Chittoor.