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Memo No. Syb / 6F-Mining-37/2016 Dated, Keonjhar the Ob. 12, 2018

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,

Rourkela Circle, Rourkela

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of balance forest of 80.826 ha (16.566 ha of forest land and 64.260 ha of non-forest land recorded as Forest as on 25.10.1980) including 3.916 ha of forest land in safety zone and 1.129 ha of forest land in green belt in addition to 52.348 ha of forest land already diverted (total forest land of 133.174 ha in ML) within the total mining lease area over 169.00 ha of Tiringpahar Iron & Manganese Mines of M/s Tata Steel Ltd in Keonjhar district, Odisha during extended ML period as per MMDR (Amendment) Act, 2015 (Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/20092/2016)

Ref:

Memo No. 25375/F&E dated 24.11.2018 of Special Secretary to Govt. F&E Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar and memo No. 24058 dated 01.12.2018 of Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, FD&NO, FC Act, O/o the PCCF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

With reference to the aforementioned memos on the captioned subject, this is to intimate that the desired point wise compliance is submitted hereunder for favour of kind information and necessary action.

i. CA land in Asanbahali village of Kankadahad Tahasil of Dhenkanal district shown in SOI Topo Map (Plate- XI) has not been signed by the DFO, Dhenkanal.

The signed copy of CA land in Asanbahali village of Kankadahad Tahasil of Dhenkanal district shown in SOI Topo Map duly authenticated by the DFO, Dhenkanal Division is enclosed as **Annexure-1**.

ii. Soft copy of DGPS map of forest area proposed for diversion, CA land identified are not appended to the DP.

The Soft copy of DGPS map of forest area proposed for diversion and CA land is enclosed in CD format is enclosed as **Annexure-2**.

iii. It is not mentioned whether EC/ CTO for producing Iron Ore has been obtained by the lessee for this mining lease.

The User Agency has intimated that the UA is not producing Iron Ore, so EC/ CTO for producing Iron Ore is not required. However, incidental Iron Ore will have to be extracted to produce manganese ore as envisaged in the Mining Plan.

iv. Present status of compliance of order dt. 02.08.2017 in WP(C) No. 114/2014 by lessee and status of mining in the ML over the un-diverted/ broken up Sabik forest land has not been indicated.

As intimated by the User Agency the order dt. 02.08.2017 in WP(C) No. 114/2014 has been complied with. Further, the User Agency has paid Rs. 354928268.00 as per the demand made by the Deputy Director Mines, Joda Circle vide his letter No. 4146 dated 02.09.2017. The demand letter of the DDM, Joda Circle and the letter of the User Agency towards payment of the aforesaid amount is enclosed as **Annexure-3**.

Mining over the broken up Sabik forest land is continuing by virtue of order dated 22.08.2016 of the Hon'ble High Court of Orissa in WP(C) No. 14118 of 2016. The copy of the order dated 22.08.2016 is enclosed as **Annexure-4**.

Encl: As above

Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division.

Memo No. 8462 /Dated. 06-12-2018

Copy submitted to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act, O/o the Pr. CCF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of information and necessary action with reference to his memo No. 24057 dated 01.12.2018.

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