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Office of the
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari,
Date:07-01-2023.

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To,
✓ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer(FCA),
Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.

Sir,

Sub:-Diversion of 75.92 ha of forest land for construction of screening plant, Tailing dam, Slurry pipeline corridor & water pipeline corridor at Donimalai in favour of M/s National Minerals Development Corporation Limited, Donimalai, Sandur – reg.
(FC online application No.FP/KA/OTHERS/14576/2015)

- Ref:- 1) Minutes of the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting held on dated: 17-10-2022.
2) Letter No.KFD:HoFF:A5-1(MNG)/31/2019-FC dated:22-11-2022 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FC) Bengaluru.
3) This office letter even no. 29-11-2022.
4) Letter No.M1/MNG/NMDC/ML No.1111/2018-19 dated: 30-12-2022 of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.

In light of the directions issued by your goodself in the letter (2) cited above and followed by the additional information as called for by the Government of India, MOEF & CC, New Delhi in its letter (1) cited above, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari has been directed vide this office letter (3) cited above to submit the additional information as raised therein.

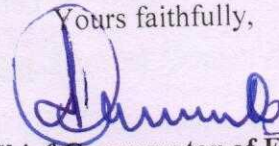
In this regard, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari has obtained additional information from the user agency and submitted the following additional information to this office vide his letter (4) cited above for onward submission of the same.

Sl. No.	Information sought	Replies.
1.	The State Government shall submit the justification for creation of two tailing dams in the forest land in view of the observations made IRO Bengaluru	Now, M/s. NMDC have dropped the Tailing dam-II and requested for diversion of forest land is 53.67 hectares (75.92 ha. - 22.25 ha.) which includes Screening Plant-II, Tailing Dam-I and Slurry/Water pipeline and submitted justification for dropping of Tailing Dam-II.

<p>2. The State Government shall clarify regarding rights claimed under FRA 2006 as per the submission made vide letter dated. 13-10-2022 vis-à-vis certificate dated 13-9-2019 submitted by the DC Bellary earlier with the instant proposal</p>	<p>The said issue of FRA claims has been raised with respect to proposed Tailing dam-II area of 22.25 ha. However, M/s. NMDC has dropped proposed Tailing Dam-II (22.25 ha) from the original proposal of 75.92 ha.</p> <p>Moreover, FOC has been booked vide FOC No. 12/2020-21 dtd. 14-7-2022 & 082022-23 dt. 15-12-2022 having encroached an area of 1.83 ha. (which is part of dropped area of 22.25 ha) and it is reported that this encroachment will be evicted subsequently by the user agency.</p>
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Therefore, I am submitting herewith the copy of the self contained report of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari for kind information and taking further needful action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,



**Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.**