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No. M1/MNG/Kirlsokar/ROAD/2021-22 (5.4476 ha)

Dated: 04.09.2025

To,
The Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 4.035 Ha (Revised from 5.4476 ha) of Approach Road to ML No. 0016 in Hulikunte Village, Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli – Reg., [Online proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/143973/2021].

Ref: 1) Online proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/143973/2021.

- 2) This office even number letter Dt. 30.09.2022, 17.12.2022, 31.05.2024 & 07.08.2024.
- 3) Letter No.4-KRB1496/2024-BAN Dated : 03.03.2025 of the Government of India
- 4) Letter No. FEE 47 FFM 2024(e) dated: 19.03.2025 of the Government of Karnataka
- 5) Letter No. KFD/HOFF/A5-1(MNG)/10/2021-FC Dated : 28.03.2025 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation), Bangalore.
- 6) This office even number letter dated : 27.03.2025.
- 7) M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli letter dated : 12.03.2025, 28.03.2025, 15.04.2025 & 04.07.2025.
- 8) Letter No. ACF/TA/Kirloskar/21-22(5.4476 Ha) Dated : 01.04.2025 of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub-Division, Ballari

With reference to the above subject, the undersigned has submitted the proposal for diversion of 4.035 Ha (Revised from 5.4476 ha) of new Approach Road to ML No. 0016 in Hulikunte Village, Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli vide letters under Ref(2).

Further, the Government of India has raised following EDS query vide letter under Ref(3). The same has been communicated by the Government of Karnataka and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation), Bangalore vide letter under Ref(4) & (5).

In this regard, the undersigned has directed the field officer to submit the information vide letter under Ref(6). The same has been received vide letters under Ref(7) & (8).

Therefore, I am herewith submitting the following information as sought by the Government of India.

Sl. No.	Information sought	Information submitted
1	State Government has forwarded the justification furnished by the user agency without any specific comments. Therefore, the State Government may kindly examine the instant proposal in more detailed manner including its inescapability and provide specific comments for submission of above mentioned fresh proposal which involves felling of large number of trees when there is already approved road in place for approach to mining lease.	<p>Upon verification of the records and report received from field officers, the following information is submitted.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) There is an existing approach road : M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Pune have obtained Forest Clearance for usage of approach road over an extent of 3.862 Ha which is valid upto 08.03.2071. 2) M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Pune have obtained production quantity is 1,24,000 M.tons per year. The user agency may transport this quantity through above FC obtained approach road. 3) As per field report, it is observed that, erstwhile lessee (M/s. Bharath Mines & Minerals) have transported approximately 6 – 7 lakhs M.tons. (earlier EC copy enclosed as Annexure-1) 4) There are 1748 trees required to be felled for this instant proposal. 5) Smt. Kalavathi, No.58, Srinilaya, 5th Main Road, 2nd Stage, RHCS Layout, Shreeganadakal, Bangalore-560 091 has submitted objections and requested to reject this proposal vide letter dated:14.03.2025. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-2).
2	It is also informed that proposed road involves re-diversion of 1.389 ha already diverted in favour of M/s KIOCL. Therefore, State Government is also requested to clarify whether the user agency has applied for re-diversion for the said area or otherwise	M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli has submitted proposal for Re-Diversion of 1.389 Ha area passing through FC approved lease area of M/s. KIOCL for approach road to Mining Lease No.0016 in Swamymalai Forest Block, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District vide online proposal No. FP/KA/REDIV /536519/2025.

	Further, it is pertinent mention here that, this parcel of land(1.389 Ha) is included in FC obtained area of M/s. KIOCL Limited (401.1526 Ha), issue related to handing over of forest land which is pending with Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka in WP No.34073/2024.
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This is submitted for your kind information and needful action.

Yours Faithfully,

Sd/-

Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division, Ballari

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation),
Bengaluru for kind information.



Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division, Ballari