Office of the
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Chitradurga Division, Chitradurga.
Date: 14-11-2024.

To,
The Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 9.5474 Ha of forest land in Hirekandavadi village Sy No. 107 and Thanigehalli Village Sy No. 35, B-Durga Hobli, Holalkere Taluk and Dindadahalli village Sy No. 18, Hireguntanuru Hobli, Chitradurga Taluk, Chitradurga District for establishment of Conveyor Project for Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2677 in favor of M/s Vedanta Limited, Chitradurga. (Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/51389/ 2020) [FORM-A].

Ref: 1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru online communication to this office Dated: 07-09-2021.

- 2. This office even letter no dated:27-05-2022, 05-06-2023, 18-10-2023 and 06-12-2013.
- 3. Letter No.A5(1).MNG.CR.6/2018-19 dated:15-07-2024 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation) and Nodal officer (FCA), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.
- 4. Your office letter dated:14-10-2024.
- 5. Letter dated:04-11-2024 of M/s Vedanta Ltd., Megalahalli office complex, Bheemasamudra, Chitradurga.

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With reference to the above subject, M/s Vedantha Ltd., has submitted a proposal through web portal mode for diversion of 9.5474 Ha of forest land in Hirekandavadi village Sy No. 107 and Thanigehalli Village Sy No. 35, B-Durga Hobli, Holalkere Taluk and Dindadahalli village Sy No. 18, Hireguntanuru Hobli, Chitradurga Taluk, Chitradurga District for establishment of Conveyor Project for Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2677 for approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Accordingly, a communication through online was received to process the said proposal and to submit specific opinion vide ref (1).

The report on this proposal has already been submitted from this office vide reference (2). The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation) and Nodal officer (FCA), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru and your office have instructed to submit a report to the following points vide reference (3) and (4).

In this regard, the under signed had directed the User Agency and requested to furnish the actual quantity of ore excavated and transported information/documents vide this office letter dated:18-10-2024. The same has been received vide letter under Ref. (5) as below. (Copy enclosed).

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Monthly details are mentioned below.

Month	ROM (in tonne)	Dispatch (in tonne)
Apr-24	465269.51	389787.77
May-24	210711.46	92303.63
Jun-24	765752.55	536351.40
Jul-24	340515.52	410382.00
Aug-24	529724.64	272937.32
Sep-24	551999.90	469044.86
2024-25	2863973.58	2170806.98

Hence, hereby submitting the reply of User Agency as above for your kind perusal and further needful action.

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Yours faithfully,

Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chitradurga division, Chitradurga.

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Dated: 04.11.2024

Deputy Conservator of Forest, Chitradurga Division,

Chitradurga

Sub: Diversion of 9.547 ha of forest land in Hirekandavadi Village Sv.No. 107 & Thanigehalli Village Sy no. 35, Beedurga Hobli, Holalkere taluk and Dindahalli village Sy no.18, Hireguntanuru Hobli, Chitradurga Taluk, Chitradurga Dist. For establishment of Conveyor Project for iron ore mine ML no 2677 in favour of M/s Vedanta Limited.

Ref: Your letter No. A6/FC/Vedanta/CB/Cr-03/2021-22/2736 dated: 18.10.2024 Sir.

Referring to the above we submit the below as per the query raised.

1. Allowed Mining Capacity, currently mined and transported capacity as per the latest order of Monitoring Committee dated: 02.04.2024 on the Maximum Permissible Annual Production our mine production limit is 5.89 MTPA. For the FY 2024-25 till September 2024, we have mined 2863973.58 Tonnes and transported 2170806.98 tonnes. Monthly details are mentioned below.

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2. We are planning to transport minimum 80% of our mined iron ore material through the subject Conveyor Belt once installed.

You are requested to kindly process our Conveyor Belt proposal as per the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court for stage 1 at the earliest. The relevant compliance for stage 1 is already cleared from our end and moved to Govt through O/o of PCCF on 25.07.2023.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully

(Naryan MP)

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