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No.M1/MNG/MSPL(HGR)/ML No.2148/Conveyor belt/2021-22

Dt.15.07.2024

To,

Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 19.17 hectares [Revised from 13.98 Ha] Forest land in Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for Downhill Conveyor System which includes Service Road, Approach Road & DHC infrastructure area from Narasimha Iron ore Mine ML No.2148 to BP Plant area in favour of M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet.

Ref: 1) Online Application No. FP/KA/MIN/144985/2021 [FORM-A]

- 2) This office even number letter Dt.03.01.2024
- 3) Letter No. KFD/HOFF/A5-1(MNG)/16/2021-FC Dt. 15.02.2024 & 03.07.2024 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore.
- Letter No. M1/MNG/MSPL(HGR)/ML No.2148/CB/CR-16/2023-24 Dt.13.03.2024 & 04.07.2024 of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari,

With reference to the above subject, the undersigned has submitted the proposal for diversion of 19.17 hectares [Revised from 13.98 Ha] Forest land in Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for Downhill Conveyor System which includes Service Road, Approach Road & DHC infrastructure area from Narasimha Iron ore Mine ML No.2148 to BP Plant area in favour of M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet vide letter under Ref(2).

Further, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore has directed the undersigned to verify and re-submit the said online proposal in-light of the representation and undertakings submitted by M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet vide letter Dt. 03.07.2024 under Ref(3).

Upon verification of the proposal, proposed DHPC Passes through Revenue land over an

extent 0.78 ha in Sy.No.110B of Somalapura Village, Sandur Taluk. In this regard, M/s.

Resources pellets concentrates Private Limited (RPCL) has submitted the objection and

requested not to process this FC proposal as proposed non-forest area belongs to them in

Sy.No.110B of Somalapura Village, Sandur Taluk. Further to this, the undersigned has

raised the EDS vide letter Dt.29.05.2023 to M/s. MSPL Limited to clarify this issue. In

their reply to this EDS, the User Agency (M/s. MSPL Limited) mentioned that, these

proposed non-forest land belongs to Government land and not private or patta land.

In this regard, the User Agency (M/s. MSPL Limited) has submitted the undertaking

mentioning that, "M/s. MSPL Limited hereby undertakes to carry out DHPC works only

after getting clearance from the Revenue Department in Non-Forest area (in Sy.No.110B

of Somalapura Village, Sandur Taluk) even though we get FC of the proposed 19.17 Ha

area".

Hence, in the light of above mentioned circumstance and not having the clarity of

legal status of area to an extent of 0.78 ha in Sy.No.110B of Somalapura Village, Sandur

Taluk, it is suggested that, this FC application is recommended subject to following

conditions:

(1) The User-Agency secures irrevocable rights (either by way of purchase or through

requisite permissions by Competent Authority) over non-forestland (including Sy No

110/B of Somalapura Village, Chournur Hobli, Sandur Taluka) through which the

Conveyor-belt is proposed to pass through; and

(2) The approval of FC Application shall not confer any 'right of way' to the User-

Agency to stake any claim over any part of non-forestland on which the Conveyor passes

through.

This is submitted for your kind information and needful action.

Yours Faithfully,

Deputy Conservator of Forests Ballari Division, Ballari