## OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ROURKELA CIRCLE, AT/PO-PANPOSH, ROURKELA-769004

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Memo No. 1155 /3F(Misc)879/2023 Date: 11-4-2023

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,

Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Sub:-

Proposal for permission over 3.96 ha.(diversion of 0.970 ha. + re-diversion of 2.990 ha.) forest land for laying of water pipeline from Kandara to Nuagaon Iron Ore Mines of M/s JSW Utkal Steel Ltd. in Keonjhar District, Odisha.(Proposal No.FP/OR/Pipeline/149104/2021, State 044/2022 on dated 06.06.2022).

Ref:-

- 1) Your Memo No.6433 Dtd.31.03.2023.
- 2) Memo No.3300 Dtd.06.04.2023 of DFO, Keonjhar Division.

In pursuance of your aforecited Memo on the captioned subject, the DFO, Keonjhar Division vide his Memo No.3299 Dtd.06.04.2023 addressed to the undersigned and copy thereof endorsed to you in the next Memo of even date has intimated that, as per the Working Plan prescription, the ECO Value Class of the forest has been treated as "Eco Value Class-I" based on the forest type 3C/C2e(iii) Moist Peninsular Valley Sal. The canopy density of the prevailing forest growth varies from 0.2 to 0.8. Pure patches of Sal along with miscellaneous Sal associates occurs in Sidhamath & Thakurani Reserved Forest. The prevalence of pole crop to middle aged Sal crop in this area indicates the shifting cultivation in the past and the crop can therefore be considered to be of secondary origin. The average canopy density of the instant forest area to be diverted is found to be 0.5. The revised Site Inspection Report & Part-II submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division are enclosed herewith which may kindly be included in the DRP.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle

1156 /3F Date: 11-04 2023 Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.3299 Dtd.06.04.2023.

> Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle