



OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FOREST
BALLARI DIVISION, BALLARI

No. M1/MNG/SKME/Conveyor belt/2019-20

Dated: 12.02.2021

To,

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.

Sir,

Sub : Diversion of 12.4724 hectare of Forest land in Ramanamalai (RM) Block Forest (6.6978 ha) and Swamimalai (SM) Block Forest (5.7746 ha), Near Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for establishing Closed Pipe Conveyor System from Ramanadurga Iron Ore Mine (RIOM) ML No.2141) in favour of M/s. Sri. Kumaraswamy Mineral Exports Private Limited Ballari -Reg. [Proposal No.FP/KA/MIN/39394/2019 (FORM-A)]

- Ref:1) Letter No. 4-KRC040/2004-BAN Dt.07.10.2020 of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Regional, Bengaluru.
2) Letter No.KFD/HOFF/A5-1(MNG)/30/2019-FC Dt. 05.11.2020 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore.
3) Letter No.M1/MNG/CR-19/2010-11 Dt. 06.11.2020 of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari.
4) This office letter No. M1/MNG/SKME/Conveyor belt/2019-20 Dt.06.11.2020.
5) Letter No. ACF/TA/SKME/Conveyor belt/2020-21 Dt. 18.12.2020 of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub Division, Ballari.

With reference to the above subject, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Regional, Bengaluru has directed to furnish the following information regarding diversion of 12.4724 hectare of Forest land in Ramanamalai (RM) Block Forest (6.6978 ha) and Swamimalai (SM) Block Forest (5.7746 ha) Near Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for establishing Closed Pipe Conveyor System from Ramanadurga Iron Ore Mine (RIOM) ML No.2141) in favour of M/s. Sri. Kumaraswamy Mineral Exports Private Limited vide letter under Ref (1).

Further, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore and the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari have directed to furnish the above mentioned information / documents duly obtained from the User Agency vide letters under Ref(2) & (3). In this regard, the undersigned had directed the User Agency to submit the above information through the field officers for further process vide letter under Ref(4). The same has been submitted by the User Agency through the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari vide letters under Ref (5).

Upon perusal of the record submitted, I am herewith submitting the following information regarding diversion of 12.4724 hectare of Forest land in Ramanamalai (RM) Block Forest (6.6978 ha) and Swamimalai (SM) Block Forest (5.7746 ha), Near Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for establishing Closed Pipe Conveyor System from Ramanadurga Iron Ore Mine (RIOM) ML No.2141) in favour of M/s. Sri. Kumaraswamy Mineral exports Private Limited;

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i	Complete complainc of the approval letter Dt.06.03.2015 read with letter Dt.10.03.2015 has not been submitted	Complainc Report as per the approval letter Dt.06.01.2015 (mentioned as 06.03.2015 in GOI letter) read with letter Dt.10.03.2015 is enclosed as Annexure-I(A) to I(C) .
ii	KML file of the previous diverted forest land along with the entire mining area needs submission	KML file of the previous diverted forest land along with the entire mining area are enclosed (in the farm of CD) as Annexure-II .

iii	Progress of Compensatory Afforestation with respect to earlier diversion along with KML file need submission.	Progress of Compensatory Afforestation with respect to earlier diversion along with KML and related documents are enclosed as Annexure-III .
iv	Documents related with validity of lease period of the Mining lease need submission.	The Mining Lease is valid upto 23.01.2042. Following documents related with validity of lease period of the Mining Lease are enclosed as Annexure-IV(A) to IV(C) . 1) Notification No. CI 146 MMM-2012 Dt. 14.09.2016 of Commerce and Industries Department, Government of Karnataka 2) Lease deed executed by the Director, Mines & Geology Department Bangalore with lessee on 30.01.2017 (registered vide No. SNR-1-02412-2016-17 Dt. 15.02.2017) 3) The Government of Karnataka proceedings No. FEE 25 FFM 2013 Dt.23.01.2017
v	The State Government may also clarify and submit detail report w.r.t of the CA Scheme	The User agency has identified 12.98 hectare of CA land for proposed diversion for Downhill Pipe Conveyor Belt Project in Belagavi Forest Division. Details of of CA land and CA Scheme has been submitted by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Division, Belagavi which is enclosed as Annexure-V .
vi	The State Government may also submit the details of violation if any done by the User Agency	As per the report by field officers, there is no violation in Area proposed for Downhill Pipe Conveyor Belt (i.e.12.4724 hectare). However, as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.No.562/2009, the Central Empowered Committee conducted a Joint Survey of the M/s. Sri. Kumaraswamy Mineral exports Private Limited and confirmed 10.73 hectare encroachment done outside the lease area for above extent i.e. 10.73 hectares. In this regard, Forest offence cases have been booked against M/s. Sri. Kumaraswamy Mineral exports Private Limited ML No.2141 for the illegalities vide FOC No. 13/2014-15 dated 29/10/2014 and charge-sheet has been filed in JMFC, Sandur vide CC No. 208/2020 (Annexure-VI).

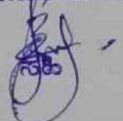
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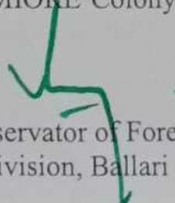
Yours Faithfully,

Sd/-

Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division, Ballari

- 1) Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore for kind information.
- 2) Copy to Srikumaraswamy Mineral Export Private Limited, No.462, 4th Ward, SMIORE Colony, Near Fire Station, Sandur – 583 119 for information.

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Deputy Conservator of Forests
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