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Memo No. **1026** /3F(Dis-K)-426/2017.
Dated, Rourkela the, **19** th, April, 2017.

To

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

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 124.313 ha. Sabik Kissam Forest land as on 25th October 1980 (treated as Non-Forest Land in hal record) out of total forest land of 723.312 ha. (including Sabik Kissam land of 238.093 ha.), located within the Mining Lease hold area over 1586.36 ha. of Bolani Ores Mines(6.90 sq miles ML) of Steel Authority of India in village Bolani ,Balagoda, Limtur etc. and Karo Reserve Forests under Barbil Tahasil of Keonjhar District, Odisha during 2nd RML period. (Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/20126/2016).

Ref:-

- i) MoEF, GoI F.No. 8-87/1996-FC (Vol.I) Dtd. 12.01.2017.
- ii) Letter No. 1581 Dtd. 21.01.2017 of F&E Deptt., Govt. of Odisha.
- iii) Your Memo No.5911 dtd.08.03.2017.
- iv) Memo No.2299 dtd.7.4.2017 of DFO, Keonjhar Division.

In compliance with the observations of GoI, MoEF communicated vide the aforecited Memo of F&E Deptt. and your Memo thereon in respect of above diversion proposal, the DFO, Keonjhar Division vide his Memo No.2298 Dtd.7.4.2017 and copy endorsed to you in the next Memo of even date has submitted the desired point wise compliance/ documents which may kindly be perused.

The point wise compliance based on the report of the DFO, Keonjhar Division is as follows:-

1. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the user agency has submitted the copy of order dated 2nd /5th May, 1958 of the Deputy Secretary to Govt. of Odisha approving the grant of surface right and subsequent grant of surface right by the Collector, Keonjhar allowing for establishment of staff and labour shed (Quarters/ Township) including other infrastructures. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the township is reportedly established on the strength of the said surface right permission. The copy of approval order dated 2nd / 5th May, 1958 and subsequent grant order of surface right by collector, Keonjhar, submitted by M/s SAIL, received from the DFO, Keonjhar is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively.

2. •As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the Non-forest land recorded as Forest as on 25.10.1980, located in the safety zone, is 3.687ha. The said area has been broken, as reported by M/s SAIL, prior to 1980 for establishment of workshop, layout of mine benches, construction of ore handling plant and other allied mining activities on the strength of surface right order. The compliance dated 29.03.2017 of M/s SAIL as submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division is enclosed herewith vide **Annexure-III**. Nonetheless, it is submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division that the observation as regards action taken against official may kindly be not insisted upon.
3. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, Revenue Forest, as per authenticated abstract of land schedule, is 166.93 ha whereas the actual sum of area of Revenue Forest plots, reflected in the village wise land schedule, is 170.05 ha. Revenue Forest plots included in the DGPS surveyed mining lease, as per scheduled RoR, is 146.009 ha. The differential Revenue Forest area over 24.041 ha. is due to inclusion and exclusion of some plots i.e. plots, not reflected in the land schedule, has been included in the mining lease and plots, reflected in the land schedule, fall outside the Mining Lease boundary. The details of Revenue Forest plots is appended in the Diversion Proposal vide Annexure-19 submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar vide his Memo No. 5992 dated 03.08.2016 which has been forwarded to your office vide this office Memo No.1755 Dtd.9.8.2016. In addition, the explanation offered on this count by M/s SAIL as submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division is enclosed herewith vide **Annexure-III**.

 
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Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.2298 dtd.07.04.2017.

 
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