

## FFICE OF THE REGIONAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ROURKELA CIRCLE, AT/P.O. PANPOSH, ROURKELA-769 004.

Memo No. 3968 /3F(Misc)-835/2022 Date: 19-11-2022

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 diversion of 94.351 ha of forest land under Sec. 2(iii) and 2(ii) of FC Act, 1980 including 4.261 ha of forest land earmarked for Safety Zone(3.858 ha along the ML boundary and 0.403 ha along the PWD road) within the granted LoI for ML over 131.800 ha in Laserda Pacheri Manganese & Iron Ore block of M/s Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited.

(Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/149499/2021, State Sl.No.OR-094/2021 dtd.23.11.2021)

Ref:

1. Your Memo No.7790 Dtd.05.04.2022.

2. This office Memo No.1111 Dtd.07.04.2022.

3. Memo No. 8770 Dtd.14.11.2022 of DFO, Keonjhar Division

With reference to the aforementioned Memos on the captioned subject, the DFO, Keonjhar Division vide his Memo No.8769 Dtd.14.11.2022 addressed to this office & copy thereof endorsed to you in the next Memo of even date has submitted the compliance with the deficiencies observed vide your Memo No. 7790 Dtd.05.04.2022 in respect of the aforementioned diversion proposal which may kindly be perused.

The point wise compliance submitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division is as follows:-

- 1. The DFO, Keonjhar Division has submitted the authenticated DGPS Survey map of the Non-forest land identified and allotted for CA in village Uperbirikala under Banspal Tahasil duly vetted by ORSAC & countersigned by him which is enclosed vide Plate-XI/DP. Also, the Compensatory Afforestation scheme has been prepared over 91.00 ha of non-forest land identified in Uper-Birikala under Banspal Tahasil at the current wage rate @Rs. 333/- MD (As per base norm of Matrix for the year 2022-23) which is enclosed as Annexure-XVIII.
- 2. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, in order to accommodate the balance 52,000 nos. of seedlings, a CA scheme has been prepared in the identified degraded forest land over 104 ha in Jyotipur RF with provision for planting @500 nos of seedlings per ha as per DSS analysis report and in accordance with the onetime cost norm provided by PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar vide O.O No. 1109 dt. 08.11.2021 which is enclosed as Annexure-XVIII(A).
- 3. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the Form- A (Part- I) has been duly stamped with State SI. No. OR-094/2021 dt. 23.11.2021 and duly singed by Authorized officer of User Agency which is enclosed in the FDP.

- 4. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the DGPS map of diverted forest land and Geological Plan have been duly signed by the User Agency which are enclosed in the DP as Plate No. IIB and Plate-IV.
- 5. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the category wise & village wise land schedule of Revenue Forest, Sabik Forest, Non-Forest & Pvt. Land have been duly authenticated by Revenue & Forest Official which are enclosed in the DP vide Annexure No. II(A).
- 6. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, the user agency has intimated that there is small patch of non-forest land available for waste dumping and other ancillary activities. Most of the non-forest land is under mineralised zone area. The User Agency has taken the available non-forest land over 23.016 ha for the above said purpose. The forest land which is adjoining to the non-forest land and non-mineralised area is being taken for waste dump and ancillary activities like storing and sizing of mineral, mineral stacking area etc. Though the said mine is for both manganese and iron, in Manganese the waste generation is more and sizing and storing of mineral is very vital part. In Laserda part, only 3.209 ha of private non-forest is coming which is within the proposed mining area. The above activities are very essential for mining and are shown in the Mining Plan approved by IBM.
- 7. As reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division, earlier the user agency had applied FDP u/s 2(iii) & 2(ii) of FC Act, 1980 as per guideline dt. 01.04.2015 of MoEF, Govt. of India. Now, the user agency has rectified the application and applied the entire forest land over 94.351 ha only under Section 2(ii) of FC Act, 1980 within the granted ML area over 131.800 ha.

The diversion proposal resubmitted by the DFO, Keonjhar Division is forwarded herewith in triplicate for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,

Rourkela Circle

Memo No. 3969 Date: 19.11.2022

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division for information and necessary with reference to his Memo No.8769 Dtd. 14.11.2022.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,
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