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To

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

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 11.853 ha of forest land for establishment of Industries i.e. Expansion and modernization of existing Integrated Steel Plant by M/s- GM Iron & Steel Company Ltd. at Kulei , Parjanga Dist- Dhenkanal

Ref: Your Memo No.23504/9F (Ind) 379/2022 dated 19.11.2022.

In inviting a reference to the memo cited above on the subject this is to inform that the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhenkanal Forest Division vide his Memo No.1948 dated 22.02.2023 has submitted point-wise compliance to the observation made vide your memo under reference (Copy enclosed). The point-wise compliance is furnished below:-

**Observation (i) The GM , Iron & Steel Company Ltd has not enclosed the records regarding sale deed of old plants of M/s- Rana Sponge Ltd. along with condition if any imposed against the old lessee by competent authority to run the company.**

**Compliance :-** As reported by the DFO, Dhenkanal Division , IDCO, Bhubaneswar has complied that GM, Iron & Steel Company Ltd. had purchased the old plant of M/s- Rana Steel & Power Ltd. located in village Kulei from Bank through SARFAESI Act in 2019. In this connection, the Sale Deed is enclosed as **Annexure-I(a),I(b),I(c) & I(d)**.

**Observation(ii) The authenticated land schedule of 52.43 ace of existing old plants to be furnished in detail like forest land, non-forest land and private land.**

**Compliance:-** In compliance to this observation, the land schedule of 52.43 Acr.authenticated by Tahasildar, Parajang is enclosed as **Annexure-II** of the DP.

**Observation(iii) Whether the old Lessee has obtained forest clearance under Section-2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980, if yes then the stage-II compliance to be enclosed with the proposal.**

**Compliance:-** As reported by the DFO, Dhenkanal, the old lessee has not obtained forest clearance under Section-2(ii) of FC Act,1980. (**Annexure-III**)

**Observation (iv) The UA may be requested to enclose the EC and CTO issued in favour of the old lessee.**

**Compliance :-** The copies of the CTE and CTOs issued in favour of the old lessee and new plant owner are enclosed as **Annexure-III (series)**. Further as reported, since the plant was established in 2004-05 i.e prior to EIA Notification, 2006, EC was not required. The old plant had run up to 2015-16 without any modification. So the UA has complied that there was no need of the EC for the old project at that time.

Observation(v)The approval letter of the State Govt. issued on dated 10.11.2020 regarding proposed expansion project is wanting.

Compliance :- Copy of approval letter issued on dated 10.11.2020 regarding proposed expansion project with allotment of 29.82 Acr. Govt. land is enclosed as Annexure-IV(Series)

Observation(vi)The UA(new Lessee ) has not obtained Environment Clearance nor submitted undertakings to submit the same in due course.

Compliance:- The undertaking furnished by the UA is enclosed as Annexure-VI.

Observation(vii) The DFO, Dhenkanal Division has submitted incomplete Site Inspection Report in the DP.

Compliance :- The Site Inspection Report furnished by the DFO, Dhenkanal Division is enclosed at Page- 39-40. (Annexure-VII) .

Observation(viii)The UA has not submitted the status of non-forest Govt. and private land as on 25.10.1980 duly authenticated by the Tahasildar, Parjang.

Compliance :- The status of Govt. and Private land as on 25.10.1980 authenticated by the Tahasildar, Parjang has been enclosed as Annexure-VIII of the DP.

Observation (ix)The UA has not submitted an undertaking to pay the addl. NPV, if any of the forest land involved duly countersigned by the DFO, Dhenkanal Division as decided at a later date as per decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Compliance :-The undertaking towards payment of addl.NPV has been enclosed as Annexure-IX.

Observation(x) The UA has not enclosed the supporting documents regarding initiation of the FRA certificate addressed to the Collector, Dhenkanal.

Compliance :- The FRA certificate furnished by the Collector, Dhenkanal has been enclosed as Annexure-X.

Observation(xi) The UA has not enclosed the approved in-principle proposal of M/s- GM Iron & Steel Company Ltd. for company expansion of its project up to 0.8 MTPA pellet plant by the State Level Single Window Clearance Authority (SLSWCA) in its 94<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 02.09.2020.

Compliance:- The copy of proceeding of the 94<sup>th</sup> SLSWCA meeting held on 02.09.2020 is enclosed as Annexure-XI.

In view of the above, the Diversion Proposal in three sets received from the DFO, Dhenkanal Division is forwarded herewith for favour of information and necessary action.

Encl:- As above.

*M/C*  
Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Angul.

Memo No. 829 /Dated- 06.3.23

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhenkanal Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 1948 dated 22.02.2023.

*M/C*  
Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Angul.

Memo No. 830 /Dated- 06.3.23

Copy forwarded to the Chief General Manager (EVN) IDCO Janapath, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.

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Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,  
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