## **GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH** FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Sri N. Prateep Kumar, I.F.S., Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur-522004.

Tο The Secretary to Government, Environment, Forests, Science and Technology Department, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat Velagapudi.

## Ref. no.EFS02-15029/94/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dt:21/03/2021.

Sir,

Sub: APFD - F (C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 4.72 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.450 of Yerragonda RF, Tummagunta (V) Kanigiri (M) Prakasham District for excavation of Quartz in favour of M/s. Sri Ahobila Narasimha Minerals - Further information submitted - Reg.

Ref:

- 1. DMG, A.P., Vijayawada Ir. No. 26389/R3-2/2017, dt. 22.09.2017.
- RO Chennai F.no. F(C)A/11.6/REC/ROSEZ/2019/626, 2. GoI, Dt.05.08.2020.
- 3. PCCF & HoFF, A./P., Guntur Ref.no.EFS02-15029/94/2018-FCA-SEC-PCCF/FCA-2, Dated:16.09.2020
- 4. GoI, RO Chennai Lr.no.4-APB103/2012-CHN/175 Dt 04.09.2020 received through Govt Memo no. 275/Section-II/2020, Dt. 12.10.2020.
- 5. PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur Rc. no. EFS02-15029/94/2018-FCA-SEC-PCCF/FCA-2, Dated:11.11.2020.
- 6. DMG, Ibrahimpatnam Rc. no. 26389/D9/2017, dated: 28.01.2021.

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Kind attention is invited to the reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited.

It is submitted that, in the reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited, Government of India, MoEF&CC, RO, Chennai (copy enclosed for ready reference) has requested to furnish additional information for taking further action on the subject proposal.

In this connection, it is submitted that, the Director of Mines & Geology, Vijayawada in the reference 6<sup>th</sup> cited (copy enclosed) has furnished reply as follows;

| SI.no |  | Reply submitted by DMG, AP, Vijayawada |
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|       | information sought by GoI, MoEF&CC, R.O, |  |
|       | Chennai Ir., dated:                      |  |

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|    | 04.09.2020.  |   |
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| 1. | (though it was informed during the meeting by this office that the same will be submitted after forest clearance, the committee has insisted for approved Mining Plan, as being done in similar cases of other States) | A comprehensive study of solid waste management and land reclamation with post mining land used plan, dumping of over burden, sub soil handling and management will be taken up for preparation of approved mining plan, Environmental Clearance from MoEF, Consent for Establishment from APPCB. But the above comprehensive study will be taken up by the applicant only after issue of Forest clearance by forest Department and subsequent letter of Intent given by the Mines and Geology Department for grant of lease. |
| 2  | available in the proposed mining area  | The available quartz deposit in the area is high quality one and A-Grade deposit. There is a lot of demand for A-Grade quartz which is not available sufficiently outside the forest area. The available quartz in the area is glassy variety and finds uses in glass semiconductor industry and ferroalloy industries.   |
| 3  | Details of other existing<br>mining leases in the<br>vicinity of the proposed<br>forest area   |   |

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action in the matter.

Encl:- As above

Yours faithfully N Prateep Kumar Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force

Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Guntur for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur for information and necessary action.

Copy to Sri P. Babul Reddy, Mg. Partner, M/s. Sri Ahobila Narasimha Minerals, Kanigiri, Prakasham District for information and necessary action.