

**ବନଖଣ୍ଡ ଅଧୀକାରୀଙ୍କ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟାଳୟ: ବଣାଇଁ ବନଖଣ୍ଡ I**  
**OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER: BONAI DIVISION.**

Phone / Fax – 06626-244434: E-mail

At- [dfobonai@rediffmail.com](mailto:dfobonai@rediffmail.com)

Memo No. 162 /6F-(Mg.) Dt: 2). 02 .2018

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Rourkela Circle, Rourkela

Sub:-

Proposal for diversion of 5.888 ha. of DLC forest land (including 0.562 ha. of Safety Zone area) in village Oraghat by M/s Sayed Abdul Halim.

Ref:-

1. This Office Memo No.1052 dt.2.2.2018.
2. Your Memo No.351 dt.8.2.2018.

In continuation to this office Memo under reference, and with reference to your Memo No. cited above, this is to inform you as follows.

As regards Point No.1 and 2 of your Memo under reference, it is to state that Oraghat Iron & Manganese Mines of M/s S.A. Halim is mentioned in Annexure-IV-A of the Shah Commission report.

The Lessee was asked to show cause for the irregularities vide this office Letter No.984 dt.8.2.2014 (**Copy enclosed**). The lessee submitted his show cause reply vide his Letter No.Nil dt.3.6.2014 stating that he was working in the non-forest area (**Copy enclosed**).

The Deputy Director of Mines, Koira Circle was requested vide this office Letter No.2591 dt.21.3.2016 to intimate in which area the lessee was allowed to work (**Copy enclosed**). The DDM, Koira was reminded vide this office Letter No.9145 dt.23.11.2017.

After receipt of the diversion proposal, the DDM, Koira was requested to submit the lease status (History of the Lease) vide this office Letter No.3254 dt.26.4.2017 to process the diversion proposal (**Copy enclosed**).

The DDM, Koira submitted the lease history vide his Letter No.2292 dt.6.6.2017 (**Copy enclosed**). It has been mentioned in the said Letter that Oraghat Iron / Mn. Mines of S.A. Halim over 25.847 ha. has been granted vide Steel & Mines Department Order No.3/99-9542/SM dt.1.10.1996, and executed on 06.04.1998 for 20 years with surface right over 3.38 Ac. granted vide Order No.5045 dt.22.9.1998, over 01.63 Ac. vide Order No.1788 dt.10.6.2008, and over 4.52 Ac. vide Order No.2924 dt.18.10.2008 by the Collector, Sundargarh. Further, that the Mining operation stopped w.e.f. 01.04.2013 due to want of Consent to Operate from SPCB. The lessee has obtained E.C. vide No.SEIAA/2017/ENV dt.16.04.2011 for 5 years. The mining plan of the mines is valid upto 05.04.2018. The mine was working within non-forest area and suspended with effect from 01.04.2013 due to want of SPCB clearance. The mine is enlisted in R-2 list of CEC submitted to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P. (C) No.114 / 2014.

The above mines is a non-working mines at present.

Contd.2...

The DDM, Koira has categorically stated that mining operation was confined to non-forest area, and in view of such fact, the inclusion of Oraghat Iron & Manganese Mining lease in Annexure-IV-A of the Shah Commission report was not alluded in Part-II, Site Inspection Report or in the forwarding letter.

As regards Point No.3 of your Memo under reference, it is to state that execution of mining lease having DLC land on 6.4.1998 is a violation by the Steel & Mines Department.

Further, the Collector, Sundargarh has been requested to take legal action against the lessee vide this office Letter No.992 dt.1.2.2018 **(Copy enclosed)** for the violations over 1.154 ha. of DLC land which was intimated to this office vide Memo No.36 dt.1.2.2018 of the Range Officer, Koira Range **(Copy enclosed)**. Besides, the Range Officer, Koira Range has also been instructed vide this office Memo No.1051 dt.2.2.2018 **(Copy enclosed)** to enquire into the violations over 1.154 ha., take necessary legal action against the persons responsible and to intimate the period of violation in respect of each item of non-forestry use.

This is for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl :- As above

Memo No. 1622 /6F-Dt: 21.02.2018

  
21/2/18  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
R Bonai Division.

Copy forwarded to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, F.C. Act' O/O the P.C.C.F., Odisha Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action in continuation to this office Memo No.1053 dt.2.2.2018 and with reference to Memo No.352 dt.8.2.2018 of the RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

  
21/2/18  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
R Bonai Division.