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Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari, Date:21-09-2022

To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer(FCA), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.

Sir.

Sub:-Diversion of 75.92 ha of forest land for construction of screening plant, Tailing dam, Slurry pipeline corridor & water pipeline corridor at Donimalai in favour of M/s National Minerals Development Corporation Limited, Donimalai, Sandur – reg. (FC online application No.FP/KA/OTHERS/14576/2015)

Ref:-1)Letter No.F.No.8-17/2021-FC dated:22-8-2022 of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi. (Sought additional information)

- 2)Your office letter No.KFD:HoFF:A5-1(MNG)/31/2019-FC dated:23/29-8-2022.
- 3) This office letter even no. 07-9-2022.
- 4) Letter No.M1/MNG/NMDC/ML No.1111/2018-19 dated: 6-9-2022 of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.

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In light of the directions issued by your goodself in the letter (2) cited above and followed by the additional information as called for by the Government of India, MOEF & CC, New Delhi in its letter (1) cited above, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari has been directed vide this office letter (3) cited above to submit the specific report as to what action has been taken on the encroachment area to the tune of 1.83 ha. for agriculture purpose.

In this regard, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari has submitted that the forest offence case was registered against Sri. Pujari Ganesh vide FOC No. 12/2020-21 dt. 14-7-2020 who have encroached over an extent of 1.63 Acres (0.659 Ha) and investigation under progress. The remaining area of 1.171 ha was encroached by Sri. Pujar Dodda Tayappa & Sri. Pujar Sanna Tayappa farmers since 30-40 years and they have already applied under Forest Rights Act, 2006. The FRA applications are reported to be pending for verification.

Therefore, I am submitting herewith the self contained report of the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Ballari and copy of the FIR is enclosed for ready reference and taking further needful action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Conservator of Forests,

Ballari Circle, Ballari.

1) Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari for information.

2) Copy to M/s NMDC, Donimai, Sandur, Ballari District for information.

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