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To

The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (F.C. Division)
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road
New Delhi-110003

Sub:- Proposal for non-forestry use of balance forest land of 84.707 ha in favour of M/s D. C. Jain for mining of Iron and Manganese Ore in Dalpahar Iron & Manganese Ore mines located in Baitrani RF- II, District Keonjhar (Odisha) – Compliance to Govt. of India observations regarding.

Ref:- Letter No. 8-31/2015-FC dated 17.05.2024 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC), Govt. of India, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

Sir,

In inviting a reference on the subject cited above, the DFO, Keonjhar Forest division and RCCF, Rourkela Circle have furnished the required compliance/information as sought for by the Govt. of India vide letter dated 17.05.2024 which is furnished below:-

Observation (i): KML of project area with attribute of already broken area and new area proposed for diversion.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the KML file of the project area with Broken up area (already diverted) and the new fresh land proposed for diversion is enclosed in CD as **Annexure-I**.

Observation No. (ii): KML of additional non-forest land of 3.113 ha required to be identified by the user agency against safety zone.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the additional Non-Forest Govt. land over 5.00 ha has been identified in village Binida & Dengana under Ghatgaon Tahasil of Keonjhar district in lieu of the diversion of safety zone area of 3.113 ha in respect of Dalpahar Iron & Manganese Ore Mines of M/s D.C. Jain. The KML file of the CA land is already enclosed in CD as **Annexure-I**. The allotment letter of aforesaid 5.00 ha is issued by the Collector, Keonjhar vide his Memo No.1525 dated 07.08.2024, is enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

Observation No. (iii): Revised Compensatory Afforestation proposal and suitability certificate.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division has furnished the Site Suitability Certificate of the CA land over 66.745 ha in Gundula village and 9.80 ha in village Champajhar under Banspal Tahasil along with Joint Verification Report of Forest and Revenue Department are enclosed as **Annexure-III**.

Further, the Compensatory Afforestation Scheme has been prepared over 5.00 ha of Non-Forest land identified in village Binida & Dengana under Ghatgaon Tahasil of Keonjhar district under Keonjhar Forest Division in lieu of diversion of 3.133 ha forest land for Safety Zone purpose. The scheme has provision for AR Plantation @ 1000 seedlings per ha for planting of 18 months old seedlings with 20 years maintenance along with the Site suitability certificate, enclosed as **Annexure-IV**. The financial outlay of the said scheme has been approved by the PCCF (FD & Nodal Officer, FC Act) for Rs.77,70,800/- (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Seventy Thousand and Eight Hundred) only as per matrix 2024-25 of approved one time cost norm which is enclosed as **Annexure-IVA**.

The CA land has also depicted in SoI Toposheet No.F45N11 along with ORSAC vetted DGPS map of CA land, plan showing the treatment measures on the non-forest land are enclosed as **Plate No.1 to 3** respectively. The DSS analysis report duly countersigned by the RCCF, Rourkela Circle and Joint Verification Report of Forest and Revenue Department are enclosed as **Annexure-IVB**.

Observation No.(iv): Unambiguous detail of the fresh area proposed for diversion, already broken up area and change in the land use of the already approved forest area involved in the extant proposal needs to be provided by the State Government.

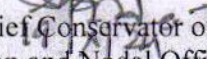
Compliance: In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the Mining plan of Dalpahar Iron & Manganese mines of M/s D.C Jain has been modified on dated 27.05.2024 vide letter No.MRPW-2273/2023-24-IBM-RO-BBS of Regional Controller of Mines, IBM, Bhubaneswar. Accordingly, the User Agency has submitted the change in land use pattern based on the approved modification of Mining plan. The copy of the modified Mining Plan along with the approval letter of IBM is enclosed as **Annexure-V**.

The details of the fresh area proposed for diversion, already broken up area and change in the land use of the already approved forest area involved in the extant proposal is enclosed as **Annexure-VI** & the map showing of the aforesaid land use pattern is enclosed as **Plate-4**.

In view of the above, the compliance to the observations of Government of India, MoEF & CC, New Delhi dated 17.05.2024 is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

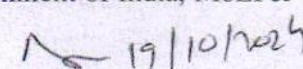
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Yours faithfully


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

Memo No. / Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Dy. Director General of Forests (Central), MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to F.No.8-68/2000-FC (Pt) dated 29.03.2022 of Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.


Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 21007 /Dt. 19.10.2024

Copy alongwith the compliance report forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to letter No. 8-31/2015-FC dated 17.05.2024 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC), Govt. of India, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

Encl: Compliance in one set

No 19/10/2024
Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. /Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 5087 dated 09.10.2024.

No 19/10/2024
Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. /Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 5088 dated 09.10.2024 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

No 19/10/2024
Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. /Dt.

Copy forwarded to Avin Jain, POA, C/o Dharamchand Jain (Mining Lessee), Dharam Villa, 12-A, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Ring Road, Lajpat Nagar IV, New Delhi-110024 for information and necessary action with reference to letter No. 8-31/2015-FC dated 17.05.2024 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC), Govt. of India, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

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