

No./D-BLP/Mining 808
HP Forest Department

Dated Bilaspur, the 24/4/2023

From: D.F.O. Bilaspur (H.P.)

To: C.C.F. Bilaspur (H.P.)

Subject: Diversion of 8.1683 hectare of forest land in favour of M/S Shyam Kumar r/o Village Tikkari PO Panjgain Tehsil Sadar Distt. Bilaspur HP for collection/extraction of sand, stone & Bajre within the jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division.

Memo,

Kindly refer to online EDS Dated 28.12.2021 raised by CCF Bilaspur on the subject cited above.

The point wise reply to the observations raised by you vide your letter quoted above is furnished as under:

Sr. No.	observations	Answer
1	Cost-Benefit (CB) analysis is not filled as per the prescribed format of FCA guidelines. Therefore, the State Government may provide CB analysis in monetary terms along with Benefit and cost ratio duly authenticated by concerned DFO.	The user agency has submitted the revised cost benefit analysis as per prescribed format of FCA in monetary term along with cost benefit ratio which is Attached as Annexure-I
2	The FRA certificate has been provided. However, the copy of records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Right Committee and Gram Sabha are not attached. The State Government may provide the same.	The user agency has submitted all the record of consultation and meeting of Forest Right Committee and Gram Sabha which is Attached as Annexure-2
3	The letter of intent (LOI) expired on 23.04.2021. The State Government may provide the fresh LoI.	The user agency has submitted fresh letter of intent which is Attached as Annexure-3
4	The approach access to the proposed site is not proposed in the proposal. Therefore, the State Government may provide comments (if applicable) along with other components be uploaded in the component wise break up in Part-I, para B.2.4.	The user agency has intimated that the approach access from nearest existing road to the project site is private land. There is no forest land involved in the approach road.
5	The State Government may compare the estimate reserves as mentioned in M-5.2 and M-7 in Part 1 with approved mining plan and correct the same.	As per user agency the estimate reserve as per approved mining plan is 918900 MT for the five years after execution of mineral concession.
6	Compensatory Afforestation (CA) is proposed in Unermarcatated Protected Forest. The State Government may clarify that this land is wasted land as per HP Government notification, 1952.	The land identified for CA is in UPF which is waste land as per HP Govt. Notification 1952.
7	The State Government may provide a certificate from concerned DFO that no plantaion work has been carried out under any scheme in the area proposed for CA.	The required certificate is enclosed herewith.
8	The State Government may confirm that proposed mining conforms to the District Survey Report (as per EMSMG 2020 & SSMMG 2016 issue by MoEF & CC of the concerned districts.	As per user agency the proposed mining is as per District Survey Repot and guidelines issued by MOEF & CC
9	In view of FCA guideline para 7.9 the safety zone could be maintained, if required and CA area in degraded forest land of 1.5 times of the proposed safety zone area be provided to this office.	The user agency has intimated that the safety Zone area has been provided and forest land of 1.5 times of the proposed area is kept as safety zone area.

10	As per guideline para 7.9, the width of 10 meter and 50 meter strip on either side of the public road and natural stream respectively located inside the mining lease shall be protected but will not be considered as a part of safety zone. The State Government may provide comments in this regard.	As per user agency the planing of mining activites mentioned in the approved mining plan, the safe distance i.e. 1/10 of the river bed has been kept as safe zone.
11	The State Government may provide brief note about the project.	The project has been proposed by Sh. Shyam Kumar S/o Sh. Sita Ram for the extraction of sand, stone & Bajre from Seed khad River which is located near Mauza & Mohal Jhareri Tehsil Jhandutta Distt. Bilaspur and HP. over an area of 8.1683 hactare. The annual production of the mining lease area is 175500 MT per annum.
12	The State Government may provide comments regarding Environmental Clearance for this project.	The user agency has intimated that the project is already applied for Environmental Clearance and Public hearing was conducted. Ready for final submission to the concerned authority.
13	Out of 16.50 hac. Proposed for CA 04 ha falls under MDF category. Therefore , the State Government may review the same and revised CA area be provided to this office.	It is intimated that earlier 16.50 hactare area was proposed for raising of CA in UPF Dhar Tath of Sadar range. Now the above 16.50 hactare area has been re-indentified in UPF Dhar Tath in other portion of already re-indentified area. Digital map, toposheet and Land Suitability certificate re-indentified area is uploaded online part-II.

Encls: As above (in original)

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