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Memo No. _//06 __/5F (Misc. & Mining) 12/2018 Dated, Cuttack /7 th December, 2018.

To

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle, Angul.

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of forest land over an area of 168,948 Ha, for over burden dump for South-Kaliapani & Sukurangi Chromite Mines of the OMC Ltd.

Ref:

- Memo No. 17925 dt. 23.08.2018 of Addl PCCF, Forests Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act.
- (2) Your Office Memo No. 4513 dt. 27.08.2018.

In inviting a reference to the correspondences cited above, the point-wise compliance of the discrepancies pointed out by Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act) vide letter under reference is furnished as under.

Sl. No.	Observation	Compliance
	FRA Certificate from the concerned Collector including, copy of the Gram Sabha resolution in English & Odia, copy of the SDLC & DLC resolution, should be furnished.	In compliance to the discrepancies noticed, the User Agency submitted FRA Certificate under 2006 issued by the Collector, Jajpur over 168.948 Ha, of total Forest land of the Project Area vide Memo No. 2258 dt. 14.11.2018, and the copy of the FRA Certificate, copy of the Gram Sabha resolution in English & Odia and resolution of SDLC & DLC meeting is enclosed as Annexure-I series.
ii	Dumping of over burden materials is a part of mining activity, hence approved Mining Plan along with phased reclamation Plan should be submitted	The current proposal for dumping of overburden is neither a Mining Lease (ML) nor a part of South-Kaliapani or Sukurangi Mining Lease. It bears a common boundary with that of South –Kaliapani Mining Lease. The User Agency complied that, it has been mentioned in the Mining Plan approved by IBM for South-Kaliapani & Sukurangi (valid up to dt. 31.03.2020 & 31.03.2019 respectively) to dispose the waste dump outside the mining lease. The copy of the relevant pages of Mining Plan approved by IBM are enclosed as Annexure-II series. The User Agency has sought clarification from Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India through Deptt. of Steel & Mines, Odisha for grant of non-mineralized area outside the mining lease for dumping of overburden. In response, Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India vide DO. No.

		16/67/2016-M.VI dt. 25.05.2016 permitted use of non- mineralized area for the purpose of dumping of overburden provided all necessary permissions are in place. The User Agency has also been clarified that the State Government may modify the mining lease deed to include the non-mineralized area within the ML area. On obtaining Forest Clearance, the User Agency will move to amalgamate the non-mineralized area in the ML area of South-Kaliapani. The modification to Mining Plan of South-Kaliapani shall be made thereafter. However, dumping being a part of mining activity, the phased reclamation & Afforestation Plan as per the guidelines & safety norms has been prepared & enclosed to the Diversion Proposal as Annexure-XV(Page No 532) & corresponding map as Plate No. V. The User Agency has deposited the copy of the letter by Director Geology, GSI & economic Advisor, Ministry of Mines is enclosed as Annexure-HI series.
iii	Copy of the Environmental Clearance & NOC from the State Pollution Control Board should be furnished.	In compliance to the discrepancies noticed, the User Agency submitted that, Environmental Clearance shall be obtained after getting Stage-I forest clearance. NOC from State Pollution Control Board can be obtained after getting Stage-II approval.

In this context Five sets of Forest Diversion Proposal along with the compliance is submitted herewith for recommendation to higher quarter for grant of Stage-I Forest Clearance.

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Copy submitted to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 17925 dt. 23.08.2018.

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Copy forwarded to the Executive Director(F & E) of M/S OMC Ltd., OMC Hose, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action with reference to his letter No. 17507 dt. 19.11.2018.

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