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To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,

Rourkela Circle, Rourkela.

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 194.683 ha forest land within the total mining lease area of 358.258 ha (As per DGPS Survey) of Guali Iron Ore Mines of M/s OMC Ltd of Keonjhar District.

X-sub:

Submission of point wise compliance.

Ref:

Memo No.21580 dated 15.12.2021 of PCCF, FD&NO, FC Act, O/o- the PCCF & Hoff, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

With reference to the memo cited above on the captioned subject the point wise compliance to the aforesaid diversion proposal is furnished as below:-

1. Letter of Authority in favour of the applicant from the Competent Authority OMC Ltd has not been enclosed in DP.

The letter of authority in favour of OMC is enclosed as Annexure-XXIV of the diversion proposal.

2. The applicant has not authenticated all documents in the DP i.e. Land schedule.

The land schedule authenticated by Tahasildar, Barbil has also been authenticated by M/s OMC Ltd. and enclosed in the diversion proposal as **Annexure-VII**. Additionally, all other documents enclosed to the DP have been authenticated by M/s OMC Ltd.

- 3. It is mentioned in the purpose wise breakup of land in the proposal that :
 - (i) 3.287 Ha forest land will be used for infrastructure. In the contrary 6.184 Ha. Non-forest land has been proposed as untouched area.

The user agency has intimated that, forest area over 3.287 ha has been proposed for infrastructure, out of which 3.246 ha is Sabik kissam forest land. There is some existing infrastructure like office building in the said forest land. The proposed infrastructure is near to the mineral stack yard. During the production of 30 million ton of Iron Ore, the proposed infrastructure area will be utilized for various infrastructures to be utilized for mineral stack yard.

Out of 6.184 ha of non-forest land kept untouched in the proposal, 5.622 ha is tenanted land and 0.562 ha is non-forest Govt. land. In order to avoid acquiring private land belonging to SC/ST community, OMC has proposed 3.287 ha of forest land for infrastructure which comprises 3.246 ha of forest as on 25.10.1980 (Non-forest in Sabik RoR) and 0.041 ha is Revenue forest land.

(ii) 0.402 Ha Non-forest land earmarked for public purposes, details not mentioned.

The user agency has intimated that, 0.402 Ha of non-forest Govt. land earmarked for public

purposes shall be utilized for road as mentioned against Sl. No. IV of the table titled "The purpose wise breakup of the total land required" embedded on Plate No. V of the DP. Necessary corrections at page No. 8 of Part-I has been made and endorsed to the DP.

(iii) 4.018 Ha forest land and 0.132 Ha. Non-forest land totaling to 4.150 Ha. proposed for diversion of existing nallah. The natural water source which is of paramount importance on hydrological aspect should not be disturbed. The same should be included in the Safety Zone and protected to ensure free from any sort of pollution.

The user agency has intimated that, the nallah is passing through the central part of the mineralized area of the ML having Topadih and Baliasahi pits on either side of it. Around 20 million tons of iron ore cannot be extracted and the mine will not be able to produce 30 MTPA of iron ore due to presence of this nallah. The diversion has been provided in the mining plan approved by IBM. M/s OMC has proposed to divert the nallah without disturbing the flow rate of the water downstream. The safety zone of the diverted nallah has been earmarked in this proposal to protect the nallah from any pollution. Further, guard wall with safety zone will be maintained to ensure minimizing pollution

M/s OMC Ltd. have stated that, they will move the State Govt. for such diversion on grant of Stage-I forest clearance.

(iv) The proposed mining area is 68.564 Ha. Over forest land where as dumping area is proposed over forest land is 49.051 Ha. Which is not permissible?

MoEF & CC, Govt. of India has granted stage-II forest clearance over 42.417 ha of already broken up forest area wherein 36.837 ha have been kept for mining and 2.110 ha for dumping of overburden.

Further, MoEF & CC, Govt. of India while considering the recommendation of the State Govt. for grant of 209.54 ha of virgin forest land granted stage-II forest clearance over 95.00 ha of virgin forest area for mining.

In the current proposal for diversion of balance 194.683 ha of virgin forest area, 68.564 ha has been earmarked for mining and 49.051 ha for dumping of overburden.

Therefore, in total, 200.401 ha have been proposed for mining and 51.161 ha have been earmarked for dumping of overburden in this project.

The estimation of ore and overburden (9.5 million CuM) considering the safety measures of operation has been approved by IBM basing on the exploration data and accordingly the land use plan has been prepared and approved by IBM in the mining plan.

4. Compensatory Afforestation

Equivalent Non-forest Govt. land over 194.683 Ha. indentified for CA. Plantation @ 1600/ Ha. proposed to be taken up. On DSS analysis of the CA land, it is found that 27 Ha. Out of 194.683 Ha. is MDF. The CA schemes require to be revisited and revised scheme to be submitted by DFO.

The CA scheme has been revised by DFO, Koraput on dt. 07.12.2021 considering the Base Cost Norm as per the Matrix circulated by PCCF, Odisha vide letter No. 1109/9F-(Misc)-387/2021 dt. 08.11.2021 with a total financial outlay of Rs.11,42.03,000/-. It has also been indicated in the scheme that 27.0 ha of MDF area as per the analysis through DSS shall be covered under soil moisture conservation activities and the balance 167.683 ha (194.683-27.0) has been proposed to be covered with 2,68,293 nos. (167.683 ha X 1600) of plants as against the stipulation of 1000 plants/ha which comes to 194683 plants (194.683 X 1000). The revised CA scheme is enclosed with the DP at **Annexure-XIII**.

5. Resettlement and Rehabilitation- Action taken for preparation and approval of the Resettlement and Rehabilitation Scheme should be mentioned with documentary evidence.

The user agency has intimated that, they have awarded the work of socio-economic survey to NCDS vide their letter No.9749/OMC/F&E/2021 dt.06.07.2021. The copy of the work order is enclosed as **Annexure-I**. NCDS has completed the survey work and following are the findings:

There are 136 number of project affected families and 99 number of project displaced families which includes three private companies.

M/s OMC Ltd. has intimated that, they have proposed to provide a resettlement colony for 96 project displaced families.

The Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) colony is to have 60% land for built up area for housing and 25% for infrastructure and 15% for green belt.

Around Rs.9.60 Crores has been proposed for R&R Colony.

The total budget proposed under R&R package is Rs.3023.25 Lakhs.

The copy of the report by NCDS is enclosed as **Annexure-II**. M/s OMC Ltd. shall follow the R&R Plan approved by the State Government during 2016 with inclusion of revision in wage rate.

6. Site specific Wildlife Conservation Plan:- The Site Specific Conservation plan was approved on 17.01.2009. Details of implementation of the plan should be reported. SSWLCP should be prepared in case the plan period is expired to address the issues concerning Human - Wild Elephant Conflict.

The site specific wildlife conservation plan has been approved with a total financial outlay of Rs 2,77,00,000/- to be implemented by DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division both in Core and Buffer zone of the ML area. In this context an amount of Rs. 2,71,80,856/- has been deposited in Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF), ORISSA, Account No. 1585 in Corporation Bank, Lodhi Road, New Delhi vide DD No. 023887 dt. 13.03.2010 and the balance amount has been utilized to procure a vehicle for supervision work. The SSWLCP has been revised as per the current wage rate and being submitted for approval. An undertaking by M/s OMC Ltd. is enclosed at **Annexure-III** to submit the approved copy and deposit the amount for implementation.

Although entire approved amount has been deposited in the CAMPA Account, Rs.4,32,99,391/-(Rupees four crores thirty two lakhs ninety nine thousands three hundred ninety one) only has been spent towards various activities like engagement of fire watcher, engagement of leaf cleaner, construction of check dams on the Topodihi Nalla, Guard wall on both side of nalla, Blank Plantation for soil and moisture conservation, coir matting of OB-Dump etc, conservation of garland drain, settling tanks etc. Copy of the progress of implementation of site specific wildlife conservation plan is enclosed at **Annexure-V**.

7. Realization of NPV and CA is mandatory for forest area broken up prior to 25.10.1980. This should be examined and reported along with complete compliance to stipulated conditions of final approval accorded for diversion of 42.17 Ha and 95.0 Ha. on 14.01.2005 and 06.09.2011 respectively. The compliance report should be signed by the DFO and countersigned by the RCCF.

The previous lessee has deposited of Rs.24,90,75,000/- in the Ad-hoc CAMPA account towards NPV over 332.100 ha forest land. The details of deposit is enclosed herewith in CAMPA format. The new lessee i.e. M/s OMC Ltd. has deposited advance lumsum amount of Rs.25,38,57,750/- @7.5 lakhs/ ha towards compensatory levies through RTGS vide UTR No. SBIN521012176323 dt. 12.01.2021 in the Account No. 150825817900225 in Corporation Bank, Lodhi Road, New Delhi as per the demand raised by the DFO, Keonjhar vide letter No. 327/6F-Mining/2020 dt.11.01.2021 over 338. 477 ha of total forest land included within the mining lease. Actual forest area as per the certified copy of land schedule comes to 332.100 ha. Therefore Rs.47,82,750/- has been deposited by M/s OMC in excess (Rs.25,38,57,750/- - Rs.24,90,75,000/-) may be recommended to adjust against the other dues for this project.

The proposal submitted for diversion of 209.54 ha of forest land was approved in 1st phase for 42.417 ha of already broken up forest area and then 95.0 ha of virgin forest area in 2nd phase. Therefore, total 137.417 ha has been approved against which 209.54 ha of non-forest Govt. land for which RoR has been issued by Tahasildar, Telkoi in villages Mayurdihi and Tentulikhunti of Telkoi Tahasil. Hence, as against 332.100 ha of forest land, 403.683 ha (209.0 + 194.683) of CA land has been provided against this project. On grant of Stage-I approval, M/s OMC Ltd. may be allowed to utilize the balance 71.583 ha of non-forest land against other mining project of OMC.

The CA scheme over 209.54 ha has been approved by CF (Nodal) with a financial outlay Rs.1,28,94,000/-. As per the approval an amount Rs.1,22,94,000/- has been transferred vide UTR No. SBINH11154317190 dt. 03.02.2011. Plantation has already been carried out during 2013-14. The compliance report of stage-II forest clearance over 42.417 Ha and 95.0 Ha. approved by MoEF & CC on dt 14.01.2005 and 06.09.2011 respectively is enclosed as **Annexure-V** Series.

8. Violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if any, and action taken thereof should be mentioned in detail.

M/s OMC Ltd. has not committed any violation since the date of taking over the mining lease for operation.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division.

Memo No. 602 /Dated 25-01-2022

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act, O/o. the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information with reference to this office memo No.21581 dated 15.12.2021.

Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division.

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Compliance to the conditions Stipulated in the grant order of Stage-II FC over 42.417 ha. of forest land vide letter F. No. 8-96/96-FC dt. 14.01.2005 pertaining to Guali Iron Ore Mines of OMC Ltd.

1. Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.

The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged. M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted and undertaking to this effect which is enclosed at **SI. No. 1 of Annexure-I.**

2. Penal compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained over degraded forest land double in extent of the diverted forest area (2 x 42.417 = 84.834 ha.) by the State Forest Department.

Degraded forest land of 84.834 ha identified in Atei RF for raising of CA. The ex-lessee has deposited Rs.13,73,500/- towards PCA in Ad-hoc CAMPA account. Plantation has been carried out over 50.00 ha & 34.8340 ha during the year 2008-09 & 2011-12 respectively.

- 3. Safety zone shall be generated and protected and plantation shall be raised and maintained over degraded forest lands elsewhere, over an area one and half times of the extent of the safety zone, by the State Forest Department, at the project cost.
 - Safety zone area all along the 7.5 meter perimeter of the ML has been covered with plantation and maintained by PA.

Plantation has been raised and maintained. 24.24 ha degraded forest land has been identified in Samakoi RF to the extent of 1.5 times the Safety Zone area for raising of plantation. The ex-lessee has deposited Rs.465000/- towards the cost of 1.5 times plantation in the Ad-hoc CAMPA account. Plantation has been carried out during the year 2011-12.

4. The State Government shall deposit the above-mentioned funds including the funds collected for Net Present Value of diverted forest land, in form of Fixed Deposits in the name of concerned DFO/ Nodal Officer of the State, till such time the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) intimates the Head of Accounts for deposition of funds.

Earlier, the cost of NPV, Compensatory Afforestation, cost of protection and maintenance of remaining forest land, cost of wildlife conservation plan and cost of Regional wildlife management plan had been deposited by the previous lessee. The new lessee i.e. M/s OMC Ltd has deposited Rs.25,38,57,750/- vide UTR No. SBIN 521012176323 dt. 12.01.2021 towards NPV over 338.477 ha forest land. The payment detail is enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

Demarcation of the area will be done on the ground at project cost using 4 feet high RCC pillars. The pillars shall indicate serial numbers, forward and back bearing and distance between adjacent pillars.

Mining Lease area has been demarcated on the ground at project cost using 4 feet high RCC pillars indicating serial numbers, forward and back bearing and distance between adjacent pillars.

6. Electric fencing raised by the User Agency around mining trenches shall be maintained by them throughout the life of mine.

Electric fencing has not done by the ex-lessee around mining trenches. The new lessee i.e. M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking to this effect which is enclosed at **SI. No. 2 of Annexure-I.**

7. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and under strict supervision of State Forest Department.

The ex-lessee i.e. R.P. Sao has been allowed tree felling permission in phased manner as per approved mining scheme. Further, the new lessee M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking at **SI. No. 3 of Annexure-I** that trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and under strict supervision of State Forest Department.

8. The user agency shall protect the top soil at the project cost.

M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking at SI. No. 4 of Annexure-I to protect the top soil at the project cost.

9. Concurrent Reclamation plan shall be executed by the user agency from the very first year and an annual report shall be sent to the Nodal Officer and the Regional CCF, Bhubaneswar. If it is found from the Annual report that the annual programme mentioned in Concurrent Reclamation Plan is not being adhered to by the user agency, the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time the annual programme is completed for that year.

Mining is being carried out in a phased manner as per the Mining Plan approved by IBM, vide MP/A/38-ORI/BHU/2020-21 dt 19.03.2021. Reclamation will be carried out as per the progressive mine closure plan.

M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at **SI. No. 5 of Annexure-I** to submit an annual report on implementation of reclamation plan to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Odisha and DDG (Central), IRO, Bhubaneswar.

- 10. No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.
 - M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at **SI. No. 6 of Annexure-I** that no labour camps shall be established on the forest land.
- 11. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers at the project cost after purebase from the State Forest Department/ Forest Development Corporation.

The labourers and the staff working at the site are coming from nearby area. So, there will be no pressure on the adjacent forest land for collection of fire wood. M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at Sl. No. 7 of Annexure-I to provide alternate fuel to the labourers and the staff working at the site, if required in future.

- 12. Mining shall be done as per the approved mining plan.
 - Mining is being carried out in a phased manner as per the Mining Plan approved by IBM, vide MP/A/38-ORI/BHU/2020-21 dt 19.03.2021
- 13. The User Agency shall ensure that there is no damage to the available wildlife.

M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at **SI. No. 8 of Annexure-I** that no damage will be caused to the available wildlife in the area.

- 14. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal. The forest land is being used for the purpose that specified in the proposal. M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at SI. No. 9 of Annexure-I that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- 15. The lease period shall be co-terminus with the current lease granted under MMRD Act, 1957.

Mining Lease has been granted by Steel & Mines Dept. vide order No. 358/SM dt. 12.01.2021 in respect of Guali Iron Ore Mines over an area of 358.258 ha (as per DGPS)/ 365.026 ha (as per RoR). ML deed has been executed on dt. 12.01.2021 with validity up to 11.01.2031 (For 10 years). Copy of grant order and executed lease deed is enclosed as **Annexure-III Series**.

16. Any other condition that the State Government or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar may impose from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests shall also be applicable.

M/s OMC Ltd has submitted an undertaking at **SI. No. 10 of Annexure-I** that if any additional condition is imposed by the State Govt. or by the IRO, Bhubaneswar in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests will be complied by M/s OMC Ltd.

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Compliance to conditions stipulated in the Stage-II FC over 95.00 ha granted by MoEF vide letter No. 8-96/96-FC (Pt.) dt. 06.09.2011 pertaining to Guali Iron Ore Mines of OMC Ltd.

- i. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
 - The Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged. An undertaking to this effect submitted by the user agency is enclosed at SI. No. 1 of Annexure-I.
- ii. Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained over equivalent area of non-forest land identified and provided by the State Government from the funds received from the user agency.
 - Non-forest land over 209.540 ha has been identified in Village Mayurdihi 207.3670 ha and in village-Tentulikhunti 2.5600 ha under Telkoi Tahasil of Keonjhar District. The user agency has deposited Rs.1,22,94,000/- towards CA in Ad-hoc CAMPA account. CA plantation over 207.367 ha & 2.56 ha have been done during the year 2013-14.
- iii. The non-forest land identified for compensatory afforestation shall be notified as Reserved Forest/protected forest under relevant section(s) of Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the concerted State Forest Act, Nodal Officer, Forest (conservation) Act,1980, State Government of shall send compliance in this regard within six months.
 - The draft proposal for declaration of PF Notification has been submitted to the Addl. PCCF, FD&NO, Fc Act, O/o- the PCCF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar vide this office memo No. 1110 dated 17.12.2018. PF notification has not yet done.
- iv. State Government shall realize from the user agency Additional amount of NPV, if any, becoming due after finalization of the rates of NPV.
 - An undertaking at SI. No. 2 of Annexure-I to deposit the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and transfer the same to Ad-hoc CAMPA under intimation to MoEF & CC.
- v. Wherever possible and technically feasible the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures in the blanks within the lease area as well as within 100 Meter radius from the lease area inside RF if density is lesser than 0.4 and maintain it till the life of the project, in consultation with the State Forest Department.
 - A scheme to undertake afforestation measures in the blanks within the lease area as well as within 100 mtr. radius from the lease area inside RF has been approved. The exlessee has not yet undertaken the afforestation measures in the blanks in the lease area as well as within 100mtr radius from the lease area inside RF. An undertaking to this effect submitted by the new lessee M/s OMC Ltd is enclosed herewith at SI.No.3 of Annexure-I.
- vi. The period of diversion of the approval shall be twenty (20) years subject to possession of valid lease by the user agency under the MMDR Act, 1957 so that it shall be co-terminus.
 - ML has been granted by S & M Dept. vide order No. 358/SM dt. 12.01.2021 in respect of Guali Iron Ore Mines over an area of 358.258 ha (as per DGPS)/365.026 ha (as per RoR) and lease deed has been executed on dt. 12.01.2021 with validity up to 11.01.2031 (For 10 years). Copy of grant order and executed lease deed is enclosed as Annexure-II Series.
- vii. Any tree felling shall be done only when it is absolutely necessary and unavoidable.

 The user agency has been allowed tree felling in phased manner and as per approved mining plan. M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking enclosed at SI. No. 4 of Annexure-I to undertake tree felling only when it is necessary and unavoidable.
- viii. The User agency will prepare a plan for protection and maintenance of remaining forest land out of additional 209.54 ha in consultation with State Forest Department to

be implemented at the user agency's cost. In this regard, a map shall be submitted showing the area diverted in the mining lease area.

A scheme for protection and maintenance of 114.540 ha of forest land has been approved by CCF (Nodal). The entire amount of Rs. 8015000/- has been deposited in the Ad-hoc CAMPA vide UTR No.The plantation has been done during the year 2013-14. A map showing the area diverted in the mining lease area has already been submitted.

- ix. No damage to the flora and fauna of the area shall be caused.
 - An undertaking at SI. No. 5 of Annexure-I has been submitted to the effect that no damage to the flora and fauna of the area shall be caused.
- x. The Compliance to the Schedule Tribe and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) act, 2006 shall be done as per Ministry's circular dated 30.07.2009.

The certificate regarding Compliance of scheduled Tribes and other traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 has been issued by the Collector, Keonjhar.

xi. The User Agency shall start mining as per approved mining plan. The mining will continue in earlier broken area of 42.417 ha of forest land, however, due care should be taken for reclaiming earlier mined areas. Reclamation plan approved by IBM, shall be strictly implemented which shall be monitored regularly by the State Forest Department/Regional Office, Bhubaneswar. If it is found from the Annual Report that the annual programme mentioned in the concurrent reclamation plan is not being adhered to by the User Agency, the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time, the annual programme is completed for that year.

The mining activity has been confined to 42.417 ha and 95.00 ha of Stage-II approved forest area and as per the mining plan approved by IBM.

Mining is being carried out in a phased manner as per the Mining Plan approved by IBM, vide MP/A/38-ORI/BHU/2020-21 dt 19.03.2021. Reclamation will be carried out as per the progressive mine closure plan. No reclamation in earlier mined out area was done by the previous lessee.

M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking which is enclosed at SI. No. 6 of Annexure-I to submit an annual report on implementation of reclamation plan to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Odisha and DDG (Central), IRO, Bhubaneswar.

- xii. It shall be ensured that no labour camps are set up inside the forest area.
 - No Labour camp has been constructed inside the forest area. An undertaking has been submitted at SI. No. 7 of Annexure-I that no labour camps shall be set up inside the forest area in future.
- xiii. The mining lease area shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, using four feet high RCC pillars, with each pillar inscribed with the serial number, forward and backward bearings and distance between two adjacent pillars.

The Mining lease has been demarcated by fixing four feet high RCC pillars inscribed with the serial number, forward and backward bearings and distance between two adjacent pillars.

xiv. The User Agency shall take up the de-silting of the village tanks within five km area from the mine lease boundary so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks whenever required.

De-silting of village tanks within five km area from the mine lease boundary are not done by earlier lessee. The new lessee i.e. M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted an undertaking at Sl. No. 8 of Annexure-I to take up the de-silting of the village tanks within five km area from

the mine lease boundary so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks whenever required.

xv. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

The forest land has not been used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

xvi. All the conditions recommended by the State Government like site specific wildlife management plan and comprehensive wildlife management plan and any other conditions imposed shall be implemented at the User agency's cost.

A Site specific wildlife management plan has been approved by Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha and it will be implemented at the cost project cost already deposited as per the demand.

Cost of implementation of Regional Wildlife Management Plan has been deposited for entire ML area as per the demand raised by DFO, Keonjhar.

xvii. The User Agency shall submit an annual self-monitoring report containing status of compliance to the conditions stipulated in the approval to the state Government and concerned Regional Office of the Ministry.

The annual self-monitoring report to the conditions stipulated in the approval is being submitted regularly to the state Government and to IRO, MoEF & CC, Bhubaneswar. An undertaking has been submitted at SI. No. 9 of Annexure-I to submit regularly in future also.

xviii. Any other condition that the CCF (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar / State Government may impose from time to time for protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area shall also be applicable.

An undertaking has been submitted at SI. No. 10 of Annexure-I to comply any other condition if imposed by the IRO, MoEF & CC, Bhubaneswar/ State Government from time to time for protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area.

Further it is noticed that, OB dump plantation are not done properly by the ex-lessee. There is more than 50% casualty and dump is facing use erosion cuts. Retaining wall & garland drawn around OB dump are not done completely which is causing erosion. In this regard the new lessee i.e. M/s OMC Ltd. has submitted and undertaking at SI No.11 of Annexure-I.

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