

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT

From:
Sri. D. Bheema Naik., IFS.,
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Bhadradi Circle, Warangal.

To:
The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Telangana State,
H Y D E R A B A D

Re.No.125/2020/M3/DM, Dated: 14.03.2024

Sir,

Sub :- TSFD - Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 - Diversion of 151.8517 Ha (earlier 106.304 Ha) of forest land for converting UG rights to surface rights for the proposed JK OC mine (JK 5OC Mine & 21 Incline Mine) at Yellandu division in favour of M/s Singareni collieries company limited – EDS raised by Gol. MoEF & CC, New Delhi – Report submitted - Reg.

- Ref :-
1. PCCF, TS., Hyderabad Rc.No.FC4/FC29/1/2022, Dt.26.04.2022
 2. DFO, Mahabubabad Rc.No.1731/2021/To, Dt.06.05.2022
 3. CCF/CF, Kothagudem Circle Rc.No.125/2020/M3, Dt.12.05.2022
 4. Gol, MoEF, IRO Hyderabad F.NO.AD/IRO-HYD/Tourapproval-IGF/2022, Dt.20.03.2023
 5. PCCF, TS., Hyderabad Rc.NO.FC4/FC29/1/2022, Dt.18.01.2023
 6. DFO, Bhadradi Rc.No.109/2020/D1, Dt.20.05.2023
 7. CCF, Bhadradi Rc.No.125/2020/M3/DM, Dt.26.05.2023
 8. PCCF, TS., Hyderabad Rc.NO.FC4/FC29/1/2022, Dt.25.08.2023
 9. PCCF, TS., Hyderabad Rc.NO.FC4/FC29/1/2022, Dt.03.07.2023
 10. DFO, Bhadradi Rc.No.109/2020/D1, Dt.16.11.2023
 11. CCF, Bhadradi Rc.No.125/2020/M3/DM, Dt.01.12.2023
 12. AIGF, Gol. MoEF & CC Ltr. No. 8-260/1985-FC(Vol-I), Dt. 16.02.2024
 13. Prl.CCF, TS, Hyderabad Rc.No.FC4/FC29/1/2022, Dt. 27.02.2024
 14. DFO, Bhadradi Rc.No.109/2020/D1, Dt.11.03.2024

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Adverting to the reference 13th cited above, the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem vide reference 14th cited above has submitted that, as per the instructions of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), T.S., Hyderabad vide reference 13th cited, the General Manager, M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Yellandu area has submitted the following information as desired by the Government of India. MoEF & CC, New Delhi regarding the proposals for Diversion of 151.8517 Ha (earlier 106.304 Ha) of forest land for converting UG rights to surface rights for the proposed JK OC mine (JK 5OC Mine & 21 Incline Mine) at Yellandu Division in favour of M/s Singareni collieries company limited and the same is submitted as follows.

Point No. i) Lease history of YML and YAML mining projects along-with the copies of the all earlier FC approvals/renewals granted by the MoEF&CC/RO.

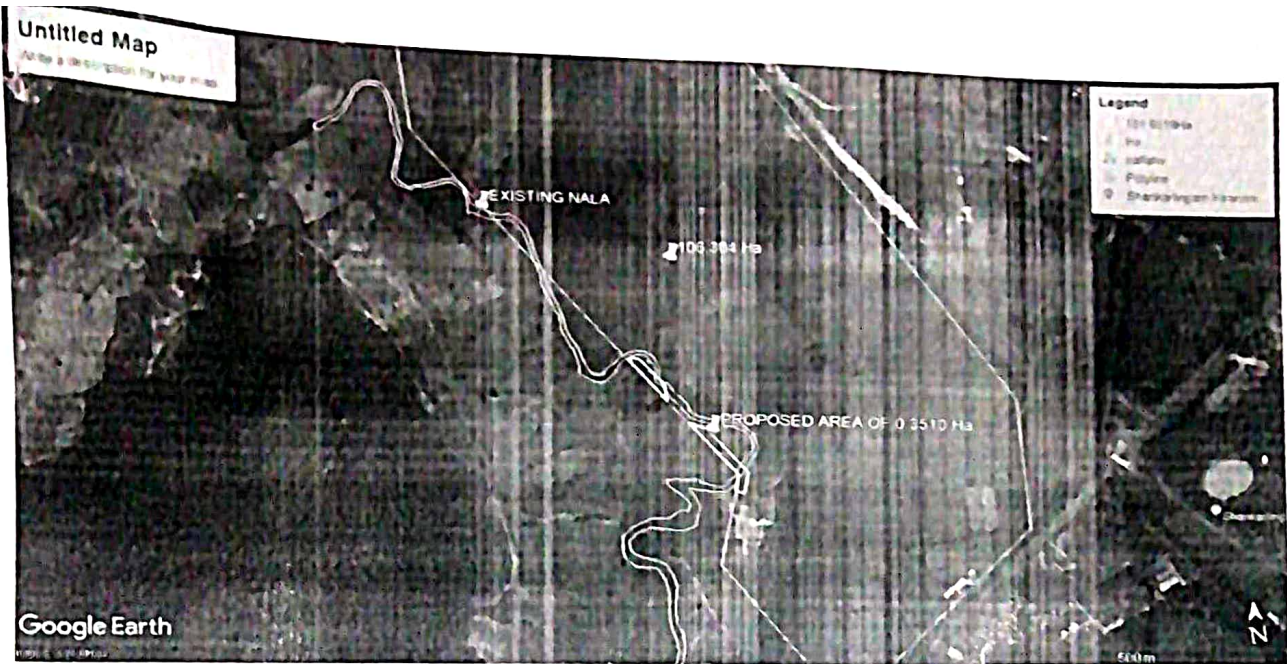
Reply: The Lease History of YML, YAML & its FC approvals granted by the MoEF&CC, Gol are as follows:

Sl. No	Name of the lease	Extent (Ha.)			Sanction under F(C) Act	Sanction under MM(D&R) Act	Remarks	Annexure no
		Forest land	Non-forest land	Total	Lr. No. & date	G.O. Ms.No. & date		
1	Yellandu Mining Lease Original				--	HEHs Nizam Govt. Lease 07.02.1927		1
	2 nd Renewal	963.00	400.00	1363.00	8-216/FC 07.10.1986	No.234 dt.16.05.1989 & No. 405, dt 17.08.1989		2
						No.292, 22.10.2005		3
	3 rd Renewal	124.96	400.00	524.96	8-260/1985-FC, (vol), 20.07.2018	No.5, 06.02.2015		4
2	Yellandu Addl.ML. Original	653	2973.00	3626	--	No.1175, 07.11.1972		5
	1 st Renewal	42.50 & 29.00	1669.50	1741.00	8-54/1991-FC (pt), 25.07.2008. & 8-54-91/FC, dt: 20.02.95	No.278, 23.10.2007	29 Ha. surrendered on 25.07.2011	6

Further, the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem has submitted that, the Validity of YML and YAML will be 31.12.2034 and 31.03.2030 as per the Rule 24 (c) of Mineral Concession Rules -1960 (amended in 2021). Copies of all forest diversions granted by MoEF& CC and GO's of Mining Lease are enclosed for kind perusal.

Point No.ii) As per the proposed land use 0.3510 ha area below river/Nala/canal has been proposed to be diverted. Therefore, there is a need to take the necessary permission from the concerned department of the State Govt. for diversion of said nala. In addition necessary measures/plan to mitigate the adverse impacts of the diversion of the area below river/Nala/canal is required. The same may be submitted.

Reply: - The District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem has submitted that, the General Manager, M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Yellandu area has replied that, the proposed extent of 0.3510 Ha. is to straighten the existing course of NALA within the boundary of proposed 151.8517 ha. for better utilization of proposed 151.8517 ha. Further, the NALA is very small, seasonal and the straitening work will be taken up after grant of Stage-II only. The following figure shows the existing NALA and proposed straitening of NALA



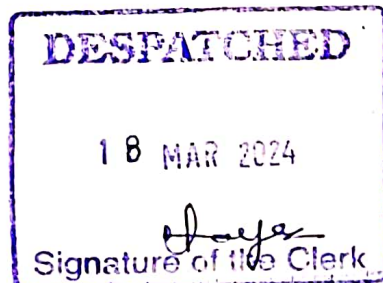
Further, the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem has submitted that, however, the SCCL is herewith submitting undertaking that the necessary permissions from the concerned department of State Govt. will be obtained and necessary measures to mitigate the adverse impacts of the diversion/straitening of NALA will be taken after grant of Stage-I.

In view of the above, the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem has requested to forward the EDS reply along with enclosures received from the General Manager, M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Yellandu area to the Nodal Officer & Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana along with the remarks to submit the same to the MoEF & CC, GoI for further action.

Therefore, based on the report of the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem, the EDS replies along with enclosures received from the General Manager, M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Yellandu area are submitted to the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana, Hyderabad for favour kind perusal and further necessary action.

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

Encl: As above.



Yours faithfully,

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 Chief Conservator of Forests,
 Bhadradi Circle, Warangal. *14/03/2024* *14/3/24*

Copy submitted to the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA), Telangana, Hyderabad for favour of kind perusal and necessary action.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem for information.