

## The Singareni Collieries Company Limited ( A Government Company ) Yellandu Area

## Ref. No.YLD/EST/171

Date:31.08.2020.

To The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) Govt. of Telangana, Aranya Bhavan, <u>H Y D E R A B A D.</u>

Madam,

Sub: Application for diversion of 106.304 Ha. of Forest land (from Underground rights to Surface rights) in Yellandu RF Yellandu Range, Yellandu Forest Division for Jawahar Khani Opencast (JK OC) mine in Bhadradri Kothagudem District in favour of M/s. The Singareni Collieries Company Limited of JKOCP Mine. – Reg.

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- 1. Kind attention is invited to the subject cited above.
- 2. It is to submit that, to meet the ever increasing demand for Coal and the targets set by Government of India, The Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) has proposed to increase coal production by opening new projects and expansion of existing mines. Accordingly, it has been planned to start JK Open Cast Mine towards West side of the existing JAWAHARKHANI OPENCAST (JK5 OC) MINE.
- JK Opencast Project, requires total land of 106.304 Ha. Forest land for which surface rights are needed. The total coal reserves of the mine are 25.23 Million Tones of which about 4.05 Million Tons of Coal has been located in Forest land in Compartment No.s. 49 and 51 of Yellandu RF, Yellandu Forest Division Bhadradri Kothagudem District.
- 4. JK Opencast Mine is a Coal mine, planned to produce 2 Million Tonnes of Coal per annum with a capital outlay of Rs.316 Crores and it has a life of 19 years. This project provides direct employment to 250 persons. The Nation will be benefited by achieving increased coal production by exploiting Coal reserves of the project and also gets benefited financially due to additional income by way of Royalty,

Excise Duty, Sales Tax and Electricity supply continuously. Further, this project will contribute benefit to the society by way of increased employment resource direct and indirect in nature with resultant improvement in standard of living; rise in per capital income of the population of surrounding villages of this area.

- 5. The details relating to total Forest land already diverted at Yellandu Area, their current use, details of reclamation, plantation carried out so far, environmental and biological engineering measures taken etc., are furnished in the enclosed Statement (Annexure-IX, IXA & IXB).
- The seven sets of application (Form-A) duly filled in Part-I (under Section 2 of F (C) Act 1980) for prior approval for diversion of 106.304 in Yellandu RF, Yellandu Forest Division. The lease of the Forest land is required for a period of 20 years.
- Therefore, it is requested to kindly arrange to process and forward the application to MoEF, Gol through Govt. of Telangana for prior approval for diversion 106.304 Ha. Forest land for JK Opencast Mine for a period of 20 years.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager. Yellandu Area

Encl: As above

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