

**OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KEONJHAR DIVISION**

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To

The Vice President,  
M/s ESSAR Steel India Ltd  
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Bhubaneswar, Odisha  
Pin- 751023

Sub:

Forest Diversion proposal of 16.446 ha forest land out of which 12.65 ha coming within Keonjhar Forest Division and 3.816 ha in Bonai Forest Division for laying 20" dia. dual pipelines (Slurry & Water), power, and communication cables from Kalamang Ghoraburuni-Sagasahi Block, Koira Tahsil, Sundargarh district to Beneficiation plant at Dabuna under Barbil Tahsil of Keonjhar District of M/s Essar Steel India Ltd.

**(Proposal No. FP/OR/Others/23166/2016, St. Sl. No. OR-013/2017)**

Sir,

During scrutiny of your above diversion proposal vis-à-vis documents, the following discrepancies have been noticed which need to be rectified and resubmitted for processing of the diversion proposal.

**Undertakings/ Certificates to be furnished**

1. Payment towards Additional NPV, if so determined as per final decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
2. Certificate towards payment of NPV for the forest land involved in the project.
3. Certificate as regards Status of land (Forest and Non-forest) as on 25.10.1980.
4. Certificate under FRA-2006 in respect for the forest land involved in the project.
5. Prior recommendation of National Board of Wildlife and prior leave of the Supreme Court of India if the activity is to be taken up in National Park/ Sanctuary or parts thereof.
6. Certificate as regards the fact that in case approval under the Act for diversion of the forest land is declined, it is technically feasible to execute the project along an alternate alignment without involving diversion of forest land.
7. Undertaking as regards execution of work on non-forest land shall not be cited a reason for grant of approval under the Act and incase approval under the Act for diversion of forest land is declined, width of the portion of road falling in the forest land will be maintained at its existing level.
8. Undertaking as regards the instant proposal is processed in their entirety covering all Divisions/ Districts/ States.
9. Certificate as regards non-availability of alternative suitable non-forest land for the proposed alignment and the same is the best location and barest minimum extent of forest land for the project.
10. Pending Court Matters, if any, as regards the proposed diversion proposal.

**Authenticated Maps and documents to be furnished**

1. Detailed route map of the slurry pipeline alignment on SOI Topo Sheet (1:50000) showing forest land required for diversion in its entirety.

2. Superimposed route map on forest cover map showing RF/National Park/PRF/ Sanctuary/ PF etc. with mention of category of forest (Natural Forest/ Plantation), Density (Open/Moderately dense/ dense) and species in the map.
3. Patch wise DGPS coordinates of the proposed forest land under different category involved in the project.
4. Alternate alignment map showing non-forest land identified to bypass the forest land.
5. Authenticated land schedule and map attested by the Revenue authority not below the rank of Tahasildar and concerned Forest Authorities.
6. Authorization letter of the project authority, position of the authorized person in the project with the signature attested.
7. Justification for locating the project in forest area.
8. Cost of the project.
9. Details of land identified for CA with GPS coordinates of the identified site.
10. Details of approvals obtained/ sought for under the Act in respect of the project.
11. Check list in the prescribed format along with specific information as desired in the check list w.r.t linear project i.e.28(a).

Yours Faithfully,

  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
Keonjhar Division.

Memo No. 1969 /Dated 23-3-17

Copy Forwarded to the Tahasildar, Jhumpura/ Barbil Tahasil for information and necessary action.

  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
Keonjhar Division.

Memo No. 1970 /Dated 23-3-17

Copy Forwarded to the Range Officer, Champua Range for information and necessary action.

  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
Keonjhar Division.

Memo No. 1971 /Dated 23-3-17

Copy forwarded to the Regional Conservator Forests, Rourkela Circle/ Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act, O/o the PCCF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action.

  
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Keonjhar Division.