

F. No. 8-16/2018-FC  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, forests and Climate Change  
(FC Division)

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Dated: 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

To

The Principal Secretary (Forest),  
Government of Karnataka,  
Bangalore

Sub: Preliminary exploration (G-3) of iron ore resource in 116.52 ha forest land in Blocks 6B/CI 16 MMM 2003 of Ramanamalai Block, Ballari District by Geological Survey of India, State Unit Karnataka & Goa, Bengaluru-reg

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Karnataka's letter no. FEE 03 FFM 2018 dated 03.03.2018 on above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After preliminary scrutiny of the proposal revealed following shortcomings:

1. Part (II), (III), (IV) and (V) of Form-C are not given with the proposal and the same has also not uploaded in Ministry's website.
2. Soft copy of Shape files/KML file of the proposed forest land is not given.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the proposal for preliminary exploration of iron ore resource in accordance with the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Forest (Conservation) Amendment Act, 2014 for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully

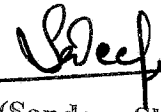


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