

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ODISHA, BHUBANESWAR

Memo No. 17/92 /9F(MG)-374/2017 Dated, Bhubaneswar, the 27th July, 2017

To

The Divisional Forest Officer, Cuttack Forest Division

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 7.540 ha of forest land pertaining to P.L. Block No.I in village Kalarangiatta, Ransol, Mahulkhal & Forest Block No.27 under Sukinda Tahasil of Jajpur District for undertaking exploratory drilling of 122 no. of boreholes of 4" dia (122 nos. of boreholes @ 0.02 ha each & 5.100 ha for construction of road) by M/s OMC Ltd. for prospecting of minerals.

Ref:- Memo No.3396 dated 03.07.2017 of RCCF, Angul.

With reference to memo on the subject cited above, it is to state that on scrutiny of the above proposal the following deficiencies are noticed.

- You have mentioned both in Part-II & site inspection report that forest type is dry
 deciduous (mixed sal) having average canopy density 0.4 whereas you have also reported
 that vegetation of the area belongs to Eco-value class-I, which are contradictory. Thus
 the correct forest type and eco-value class have to be ascertained.
- 2. At point-26 of part-II you have reported that there is no space for free movement of vehicle. At sl. no.12 of site inspection report, you have also mentioned that tree cutting is restricted for prospecting work. Thus, it is not clear how the vehicle will move and new road of 10.201 km length & 5 mt width will be constructed without felling any tree as there is no space available due to occurrence of moderately dense vegetation in the area as reported by you.

In view of above you are asked to clarify the above observations. The diversion proposal for prospecting of minerals received in 4 sets is returned herewith for taking necessary action at your end.

This is most **urgent**.

Encl:-As above.

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, F.C. Act

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Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.3395 dated 03.07.2017.

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Copy forwarded to Managing Director, M/s Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd, OMC House, Bhubaneswar-751001 for information and necessary action.

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