

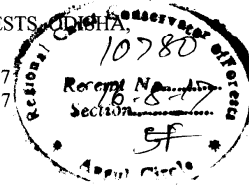
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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ODISHA,
BHUBANESWAR

Memo No.
Dated, Bhubaneswar, the

/9F(MG)-372/2017
July, 2017



To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
Cuttack Forest Division

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 5.782 ha of forest land pertaining to P.L. Block No.II in village Kaliapani & Forest Block No.27 under Sukinda Tahasil of Jajpur District for undertaking exploratory drilling of 95 no. of boreholes of 4" dia (95 nos. boreholes @ 0.02 ha each & 3.882 ha for construction of road) by M/s OMC Ltd. for prospecting of minerals.

Ref:- Memo No.3399 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.

1. 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 and the user agency to prevent damage to the flora and fauna in the proposed area during the prospecting work. 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 7.764 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

Memo No. 17196

/Dt. 27-07-17

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.3398 dated 3.7.2017.

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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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