

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj
New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: 10-09-2024

To,

The Special Chief Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forests & Environment,
Government of Telangana,
Hyderabad.

Subject: Application for 02nd Renewal of Indaram Mining Lease over 929.29 ha. of forest land involving 15.16 ha for surface use in compartment No.s from 699 to 703, 706 to 709 and 711 to 713 in Indaram RF, Mancherial Range of Mancherial Forest division in Mancherial District in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/34878/2018).-regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Telangana's letter No.1398/For. I (1)/2021 dated 03.08.2024 forwarding the additional information in response to this Ministry's letter dated 10.11.2023 and to say that the after examination of the additional information the following observations are made as under:

- i. The State Govt. had earlier informed that out of 929.29 ha of forest land, balance area of 342.36 ha is not for mining. Now it is stated that out of 342.36 ha of Forest land, SCCL agrees to exclude the 338.67 Ha (342.36 ha - 3.69 ha) from the current proposal. Further, land of 338.67 Ha is under possession of forest department. it is noted that the KML files showing 3.69 ha (to be retained) and 338.64 ha (to be surrendered) has not been submitted. The same may be provided.
- ii. The reply of the Ministry's letter dated 09.08.2024 (**copy enclosed**) is still awaited.

In view of the above the Government of Telangana is requested to furnish the above information at the earliest for further processing of the proposal under Adhiniyam, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

1. The PCCF & HoFF, Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad.
2. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (Adhinyam), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
3. The DDG (C) Regional Office, Chennai, of MoEF&CC.
4. The IGF (C) Sub-office, Hyderabad, of MoEF&CC.
5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division, of MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
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Madam/Sir,

I am directed to attached herewith a copy of the representation received from SCCL vide no. CMD/PS/H/99 dated 18.07.2024 on the above mentioned subject. In this regard it is informed the said representation has been examined and observed the following:

- i. The UA has not paid NPV as per the extant Rules and Guidelines.
- ii. From 2020 onwards as reported by the IGF (Central) in his monitoring report dated 26.06.2023 mining operations were continued and may also be considered as violation.
- iii. The operations of the mine, in case ongoing, shall be stopped till the decision in the matter is taken by the Ministry.**

2. In view of the above, the comments with clear recommendations of the State Government shall be provided on the representation of the UA along with compliance of the guidelines as mentioned in Para 7.7 (iii) of the handbook issued under VSEA, 1980 and Adhinyam Rules 2023 in case the State Govt. recommends and consider the instant proposal for deemed extension as requested by the UA.

3. In addition, the State government shall also clarify whether, the State Govt. will further pursue the proposal for 2nd renewal submitted earlier and for which the reply to the EDS raised by the Ministry's letter dated 10.11.2023 is still awaited.

Yours Sincerely,

Encl: as above.

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