

FOREST HEADQUARTERS, ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ARANYA BHAWAN, CHANDRASEKHARPUR, BHUBANESWAR-23

OFFICE ORDER NO. 609 /9F(MG)-331/2017 DATED, BHUBANESWAR, THE 06^{49} MAY, 2019

ORDER

Sub: Proposal for diversion of minerals of 58 nos. of boreholes of 4" diameter and digging of 116 nos. of sumps @2 sumps per each boreholes in Naini Coal Block located in Chhendipada RF under Angul Forest Division of Angul District, Odisha by Singareni Collieries Company Ltd.

WHEREAS, M/s Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd had applied for according permission for undertaking exploratory drilling of 58 nos. of boreholes of 4" diameter and digging of 116 nos. of sumps @ 2 sumps at each borehole site spreading over 300 ha of forest land in Chhendipada RF of Angul Range under Angul Forest Division in Angul District located within the total prospecting lease area of 570 ha in Naini Coal Block.

And whereas, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Odisha Bhubaneswar had granted approval for undertaking exploratory drilling of 58 nos. of boreholes of 4" diameter and digging of 116 nos. of sumps @ 2 sumps at each borehole site spreading over 300 ha of forest land in Chhendipada RF of Angul Range under Angul Forest Division in Angul District located within the total prospecting lease area of 570 ha in Naini Coal Block for prospecting of coal vide letter No.15889/9F (MG)-331/2017 dated 23.07.2018 (Annexure-I) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Now therefore, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act) do hereby allow for undertaking exploratory drilling of 58 nos. of boreholes of 4" diameter and digging of 116 nos. of sumps @ 2 sumps at each borehole site spreading over 300 ha of forest land in Chhendipada RF of Angul Range under Angul Forest Division in Angul District located within the total prospecting lease area of 570 ha in Naini Coal Block for prospecting of coal subject to fulfilment of the conditions of grant order as stipulated by Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Odisha.

The Collector, Angul and Divisional Forest Officer, Angul are authorised to permit the use of the said forest land for undertaking exploratory drilling and digging of sumps, as specified by the user agency, subject to having valid lease and compliance of Court's order, if any, following due procedure of law. Before allowing the use of forest land to the user agency it shall be ensured that the compensatory levies as due for this project is deposited, in full, at applicable rates.

The Divisional Forest Officer Angul Forest Division is also directed to monitor compliance to the conditions stipulated for such diversion in the respective forest/ wildlife clearance order and to report violations, if any, to the Nodal Officer, O/o-Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha and to the Forest & Environment Department.

Execution of project activities will be subject to availability of all other statutory clearances required under relevant Acts/ Rules for this infrastructure project, deposit of

requisite funds and compliance of Court's order, if any. Jitendra Kumar, IFS Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act O/o-PCCF Odisha /F&E Dated Copy along with the copy of annexure as above forwarded to the Asst. Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, MoEF&CC (FC Division), Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi, Pin-110003/ Addl. Director General of Forests (Central), MoEF&CC, Government of India, ERO, A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar for kind information and necessary follow up action in compliance to the order of Hon'ble NGT dtd.07.11.2012 in Appeal No.07/2012 communicated by the MoEF, Government vide their letter F.No.7-23/2012-FC dtd.24.07.2013. Addl. PCCF (FD&NO, FC Act) Memo No._____/F&E Dated Copy along with the copy of annexure as above forwarded to the Steel & Mines Department for information and necessary follow up action. Addl. PCCF (FD&NO, FC Act) Dated Copy along with the copy of annexure as above forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest & Environment Department, Government of Odisha for Addl. PCCF (FD&NO, FC Act) information and necessary action. Dated Copy along with the copy of annexure as above forwarded to the Regional Chief

Conservator of Forests, Angul/ Collector, Angul/ Divisional Forest Officer, Angul for information and immediate necessary compliance.

It may be ensured by the Division Forest Officer that compensatory levies, as due, for this project of user agency, shall be deposited by them in full at applicable rates in appropriate head of account before allowing use of the forest land by the user agency. Besides, any other funds due to be deposited by the user agency in this project shall also be deposited by the agency before the forest land is allowed to be utilized for the purpose of prospecting. The applicant agency may also be instructed to furnish compliance to the conditions of forest clearance pertaining to the project in every quarter to the Divisional Forest Officer, Angul for facilitating monitoring of compliances by them.

The Division Forest Officer of Angul Division is also instructed to ensure that the direction given to the user agency is executed immediately.

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Minister of Forest & Environment Department for kind information of Hon'ble Minister.
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Copy along with the copy of the enclosure forwarded to General Manager, The
Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd., H.No.129 of NAC, Mishrapada, Naini Area, Angul,
Pin-759122 for information and necessary action.
The user agency is asked to take following actions immediately as per orders of
Hon'ble National Green Tribunal dtd.07.11.2012 in Appeal No.7/2012 communicated by the
MoEF, Government vide their letter F.No.7-23/2012-FC dtd.24.07.2013.
(i) They shall publish the entire forest clearance granted in verbatim along with conditions
and safeguards imposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha in forest clearance in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and the
other in English language so as to make people aware of the permission granted to the
Project for use of forest land for non-forest purposes.
They shall submit the copies of forest clearance orders granted by the Principal Crief
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bodies along with the relevant offices of the State Government, who in turn, shall display the
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Department, Odisha Secretariat, Bhubaneswar/ M/s Luminous Infoways Pvt. Ltd., Sadhana,
N-6/373, Nayapalli, Jaydev Vihar, Bhubaneswar-15 for information and necessary action.
They are requested to upload this letter along with enclosed forest clearance order of
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha in the website of Forest & Environment
Department immediately for information of all concerned. This is required in compliance to order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal dtd.07.11.2012 in Appeal No.7/2012. Hence this
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