

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

No:DMG/MLS/AUC/'C'-2365/2017-18

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To,
M/s JSW Steel Ltd
JSW Centre,
Bandra Kurla Complex,
Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400 051.

Sub: Permission to implement R&R plan in respect of ML Nos. 2365, 2313, 2621, 2290 and 2366-reg.

- Ref:**
1. Your letter dated: 20.05.2017 and 25.05.2017.
 2. CEC letter No. 2-61/CEC/SC/2012-Pt.II dated: 18.01.2017.
 3. CEC letter No. 2-61/CEC/SC/2012-Pt.II dated: 18.01.2017.
 4. CEC letter No. 2-61/CEC/SC/2017-Pt.III dated: 17.02.2017.
 5. CEC letter No. 2-61/CEC/SC/2017-Pt.III dated: 03.04.2017.
 6. This Office even No letter dated:20.06.2017.
 7. CEC letter No. 2-61/CEC/SC/2017-Pt.III dated: 16.05.2017.

This office vide letter cited at reference (6) has issued permission to implement R&R plan subject to conditions mentioned therein. In the said letter by oversight M L No 2365 was mentioned in the "subject" of the letter. But the permission was issued in respect of M L No. 2366. Hence rectified the same and reiterated that the following includes issue of permission to implement/monitor R&R plan in respect of TMPL ML No. 2365. M/s JSW Steel Ltd vide letters cited at reference has requested to permit to start implementation of R&R as mandated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

It is to be noted that CEC had conveyed its concurrence vide its letters cited at references (2) to (5) and (7) for TMPL ML No. 2366, M/s Hothur Traders, ML No. 2313, M/s V.S Lad & Sons, ML No. 2290, M/s Ram Rao Poal, ML No. 2621 and TMPL ML No. 2365, in respect of R&R plans of the above said 'C' category mines.

Accordingly, Monitoring Committee has issued notice to the successful

bidder to start implementation of R&R in respect of above mines vide letter dated: 21.01.2017, 23.02.2017, 18.04.2017 and 29.05.2017 subject to approval from DMG.

Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated: 13.04.2012 held as under:

(G) the responsibility of the Monitoring Committee will be (a) to monitor the implementation of the various provisions/prescriptions of the R&R Plans, (b) to ensure strict compliance of the conditions on which the environment clearance, the approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the other statutory approvals/clearances have been accorded, (c) to ensure that the mining is undertaken as per the approved Mining Plan, (d) to ensure that the ceiling on annual production fixed for the lease does not exceed, (e) to ensure that the safety zone is maintained around the lease area and in respect of the clusters of mining leases around the outer boundary of such cluster of mining leases and (f) to ensure compliance of the other applicable condition/provisions. Any lease found to be operating in violation of the stipulated conditions/provisions should be liable for closure and/or termination of the lease;

Further, Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated: 30.07.2015 with regard to preparation and implementation directed as here under:

6. The successful bidder/lessee will be required to implement the prescriptions/provisions of the approved R&R Plan in accordance with the guidelines approved by this Court. The cost incurred for this will be reimbursed by the State Government to the successful bidder/lessee after recovering the same from the erstwhile lessee;

In the above said orders, DMG has no role to issue permission to implement/monitor R&R plan. Hence, the issue of permission in this regard does not arise. However, it is informed that before starting to implement R&R, successful bidder should:

- 1) Carryout the drone survey to determine the as-is condition of all the above mines jointly with concerned DMG and Forest Department and submit joint report.
- 2) Extend all requisite cooperation to the Ore Evaluation Committee and other investigating agencies who are investigating and evaluating ore quantity in connection with various cases.
- 3) Not to use Stock of dump/sub grade ore for any R&R work.

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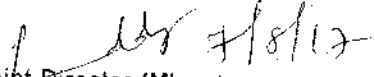
- 4) Execute the R&R work in a manner (order of the works undertaken) as advised by CEC, not to alter/change the existing mining pit or dump which affects other proceedings that has been initiated by the investigating agencies. If any such situation arises please inform DD,DMG/DMG before proceeding further.

Yours faithfully

Signature valid

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