Anil Khirwal
Sized Iron Ore, I/O Fines, Blue Dust & Lime Stone
MINES OWNER & MINERALS SUPPLIERS

Khirwal Market
P.O. Chaibasa - 833 201
Ph. : 9431300407

AK/ 65/ 17-18

Date : 20.09.2017

To,
Director (EAC Non-Coal Mining),
IA Division,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
Aliganj, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi - 110 003.

Sub: "Reply of query regarding Proposal for Expansion of Balaji Iron Ore Mine, proposed production from 74000 TPA to 3 Lakh TPA of Mr. Anil Khirwal, mine lease located at village Balijore, Bandhburu P.F., Noamundi, Singhbhum (West) district, Jharkhand.
(**MLA** : 19.331 Ha.)

Ref: 1) Proposal no. IA/JH/MIN/64012/2017 submitted on 18.04.2017 for grant of ToR.
2) Project was presented in ToR Meeting held on 29.08.2017 at **Agenda no. 2.8.**
3) Details sought by MoEF&CC as per Additional Details Sought by MS displayed on 05.09.2017.

Dear Sir,

The proposal is for Expansion of Balaji Iron Ore Mine for production from 74000 TPA to 3 Lakh TPA of Iron ore. The project was uploaded for grant of ToR on 18.04.2017 on MoEF&CC portal. The project was presented at MoEF&CC on 29.08.2017 at Agenda no. 2.8. and the project was deliberated at length. However, as per the ADS generated, the proposal was deferred due to requirement of certain documents. The ADS of the ministry are reproduced below:

"The Committee made detailed deliberations on the proposal and observed that the PP has not given authenticated past production details to ascertain violation; hence, the same may be submitted.

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Also as per PP's submission, the lease area falls in core zone of Singhbhum Elephant Reserve; however, NBWL clearance is not applicable. The Committee suggested that Ministry may seek clarification in this regard from Wildlife Division/ Project Elephant Scheme."

In the above reference, we are attaching following details as required by the MoEF&CC :-

S.No.	Additional Details Sought	Reply
1.	The PP has not given authenticated past production details to ascertain violation; hence, the same may be submitted.	The letter of authentication of past production from the mine has been duly authenticated by DMO, West Singhbhum, Chaibasa. Letter no. 1990 dated 13.09.2017 is attached at **Annexure-1**.
2.	As per PP's submission, the lease area falls in core zone of Singhbhum Elephant Reserve	The EC granted by MoEF&CC to the project vide Letter no. J-11015/142/2007-IA.II(M) dated 13.04.2011 has given Specific condition no. V at parano. 1 assuming project in core zone of the Singhbhum Elephant Reserve. However, this condition was deleted vide MoEF&CC's letter no. J-11015/142/2007-IA-II(M) dated 15th March, 2013. Hence we are not falling under the core zone of Singhbhum Elephant Reserve. Copy of the letter is attached at **Annexure no. 2**

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In view of the above details furnished, we request you to kindly grant Terms of Reference (ToR) to us.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully

(**Anil Khirwal**)
Lessee,
Khirwal Market, Sadar Bazar,
P.O. Chaibasa-833201,
District : Singhbhum (West),
Jharkhand.

Encl: Two Nos. As Above

Annexure-1

Authenticated Past production

जिला खनन कार्यालय, चाईबासा

पत्रांक 1990 /एम०
दिनांक 13/09/17

सेवा में,

श्री अनिल खिरवाल,
सदर बाजार, चाईबासा।

विषय :– पश्चिमी सिंहभूम जिलान्तर्गता मौजा बांधबुरू आयरन ओर माईन्स से संबंधित उत्पादन ऑकड़ा का सत्यापन प्रतिवेदन।

प्रसंग :– आपका ज्ञापांक AK/60 17-18 दिनांक 6.9.2017

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक, पश्चिमी सिंहभूम जिलान्तर्गता मौजा बांधबुरू के रकबा 19.331 हे० क्षेत्र पर धारित आयरन ओर माईन्स से संबंधित आपके द्वारा प्रस्तुत वर्ष 2011–12 से 2016–2017 तक उत्पादित लौह अयस्क ऑकड़ो को जॉचोपरांत सत्यापित कर विवरणी इस पत्र के साथ संलग्न की जा रही है।

विश्वासभाजन,

13.9.2017
जिला खनन पदाधिकारी,
चाईबासा।

अनुलग्नकः– यथोक्त।

NOTARY
RAGHUBAR MAHATO
CHAIBASA
SINGHBHUM (W)
Reg. No.-489/2012
Dt. of Exp.-28/9/17
OF JHARKHAND

ATTESTED
21/9/17
RAGHUBAR MAHATO
NOTARY PUBLIC, CHAIBASA
SINGHBHUM (W)
Reg. No.-489/12

Statement of Production figures of BALAJI IORN ORE MINE, NOAMUNDI Area 19.331 Hects. in Mouza- Balijore of Mr. ANIL KHIRWAL, CHAIBASA for the year 2011-12 to 2016-17.

Year	Production (M.T.)
2011-12	5,022.470
2012-13	493.660
2013-14	68,816.000
2014-15	73,996.000
2015-16	59,373.000
2016-17	26,670.000

Verified & found correct
13/09/17

13.9.2017
जिला खनन पदाधिकारी
पश्चिमी सिंहभूम, चाईबासा

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Annexure-2

Letter from MOEF&CC to PP regarding deletion of condition no V, Para(1) regarding Non applicability of Prior Approval from NBWL since the area is not falling under core zone of Elephant Corridor.

No. J-11015/142/2007-IA-II (M)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests

Paryavaran Bhawan
C.G.O. Complex, Lodi Road
New Delhi – 110 003

Dated the 15th March 2013

To
Shri Anil Khirwal
Mine Owners and Mineral Suppliers,
Khirwal Market, Sadar Bazar,
P.O. Chaibasa - 833201
District Sighbhum (W)
Jharkhand

Subject: Expansion of Balaji Iron Ore Mining Project of Sri Anil Khirwal located in village (s) Balijore and Noamundi P.F., District West Singhbhum, Jharkhand -environmental clearance regarding.

Sir,

This has reference to Ministry's letter of even no. dated 13th April, 2011 wherein the Ministry has accorded environmental clearance under the provisions thereof to the above mentioned Balaji Iron Ore project of Shri Anil Khirwal for an annual production capacity of 74,000 TPA (ROM) of iron ore by opencast semi-mechanized method involving total mining lease are of 19.331 ha, subject to implementation of certain conditions for environmental safeguards which inter alia, includes following condition:

(V) Prior environmental clearance from the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife, as applicable shall be obtained due to location of the mine within the Core Zone of Singhbhum Elephant Reserve, before starting any activity relating to the project at site. All the conditions stipulated by the Standing Committee shall be effectively implemented in the project. It shall be noted that this clearance does not necessarily implies that wildlife clearance shall be granted to the project and that your proposal for wildlife clearance shall be granted to the project and that your proposal for wildlife clearance shall be considered by the competent authorities on its merit and decision take. The investment made in the project, if any based on environmental clearance granted to the project, in anticipation of the clearance from wildlife clearance shall be entirely at the cost and risk of the project proponent and Ministry of Environment and Forests shall not be responsible in this regard in any manner.

2. The project proponent has requested for deletion of the above condition vide letter no. AK/55/12-13 dated 31st January 2013 based on the guidance document no. F.No.6-10/2011 WL dated 19th December 2012

issued by the Wildlife Division of the Ministry for taking up non forestry activities in wildlife habitats, the specific condition (v).

3. The matter has been examined in the ministry with reference to the guidance document of wildlife division. In view of this, the specific condition no. (v) as detailed at para1 above stands deleted. All other conditions would remain applicable for compliance.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(DR. SAROJ)
Director

Copy to:

(i) The Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
(ii) The Secretary, Department of Environment and Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Secretariat, Ranchi
(iii) The Secretary, Department of Mines, Government of Jharkhand, Secretariat, Ranchi
(iv) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Biodiversity Conservation cum Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Jharkhand, Secretariat, Ranchi.
(v) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Regional Office (EZ), A/3, Chandra Shekar, Bhubaneshwar – 751023
(vi) The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-Cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi – 110032
(vii) The Chairman, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board, T.A. Division Building (Ground Floor), HEC Campus, P.O. Dhurwa, Ranchi – 834004, Jharkhand
(viii) The Member Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority, A2, W3 Curzon Road Barracks, K.G. Marg, New Delhi – 110 001
(ix) The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bhawan, Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440001
(x) The District Collector, West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand.
(xi) Guard File

(DR. SAROJ)
Director