

Annexure R-I

No. Z-11013/37/2013-IA.II(M)
Government of India
Ministry of Environments & Forests
(IA Division)

Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003
Dated the 21st March, 2013

ORDER

Subject: Constitution of an Expert Appraisal Committee to look into the issues relating to environment clearances of iron ore mining lease cases in the State of Goa.

This Ministry vide communication F.No.Z-11013/195/2012-IA.II(M) dated 14.9.2012 had issued directions under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for keeping in abeyance the Environment Clearance(EC) in respect of 139 iron ore mining lease cases in the State of Goa and asking the concerned project proponents to submit the necessary documents to the Ministry so as to verify the legality of EC granted under which the concerned mines had been operating. Vide another communication of even number dated 11th September, 2012 directions were also issued to 49 iron ore mining lease cases in the State of Goa on the issue of dump mining and the proponents were asked to show-cause as to why the ECs should not be revoked and the direction for closure of the concerned mines not issued under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

2. Pursuant to the aforesaid directions, the information/documents have been received from various project proponents and the same need to be examined for taking an appropriate view. The EAC constituted vide this order will examine this information in detail on case by case basis and make appropriate recommendations in each case to Ministry of Environment & Forests to take view in the matter.

3. The composition of the committee is as follows:

Sl.No.	Name and Address of the members (S/Shri)	Designation
1.	Shri Vishwanath Anand, Ex Secretary-MoEF	Chairman
2.	Prof. L Ajay Kumar, D/o Mining Engineering Anna University, Chennai (Mining Expert)	Member

3.	Representative of M/o Water Resources (Hydrology Expert)	Member
4.	Prof. G S Roonwal, or Shri V V S GurunadhaRao, or ShriKollaThimmarayasettyShashikumar (Geology Expert)	Member
5.	Shri Dharma Rao, Ex DGMS, Hyderabad (Mine Safety)	Member
6.	Representative of DG, Forests Survey of India (Satellite Imagery and GIS Technologies)	Member
7.	Representative of ICFRE, Dehradun (Flora/ Rehabilitation of mined out areas)	Member
8.	Shri. S. D. Atri, Director, IMD (Meteorology)	Member
9.	ADG(Wildlife), MoEF	Member
10.	Dr.Saroj, Director, MoEF	Member
11.	Dr.RanjiniWarrier, Director, MoEF	Member-Secretary

4. Terms of Reference shall be as follows:

- (a) To examine the information/documents submitted by each of the 139 project proponents in response to aforesaid direction dated 14.09.2012 under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for keeping environment clearance in abeyance and making case by case recommendations to MoEF;
- (b) To evaluate status of compliance w.r.t. conditions stipulated as part of environment clearance;
- (c) To examine the information/documents submitted by each of the 49 project proponents in response to aforesaid direction dated 11.09.2012 under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 with respect to dump mining and making case by case recommendations to MoEF;
- (d) To examine the observations relating to MoEF in Justice Shah Commission report on illegal mining of iron & manganese ore in the State of Goa and make appropriate recommendations.

5. The meetings of the Committee shall be held at Delhi.

6. The TA/DA of non-officials members for attending meeting of the Committee or undertaking site visits approved by the Ministry will be met by the Ministry of Environment & Forests as per rules. Chairman is entitled for the reimbursement of the cost of travel by 1st Class Air by the shortest route. All

other members are entitled to travel by Air in the Economy class by the shortest route.

7. The non-official members of the Committee shall also be paid sitting fee/honorarium @ Rs. 3000/- per day for the Expert Committee meetings.

8. The tenure of the Committee shall be for 3 months.

9. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide their Dy. No. 486/AS&FA/2013 dated 19.03.2013 and with the approval of the competent authority.

(Dr.Sonu Singh)
Dy. Director (IA)

To

1. Chairman/Members of the Committee
2. Joint Secretary(AT)

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