

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change



Procedure adopted for grant of Forest Clearance for mining proposals under Forest Conservation Act, 1980

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Mining approval under F(C) Act, 1980

For Prospecting proposals

A) Apply Online (http://forestsclearance.nic.in) under Prospecting of Minerals (Form-C)

B) Apply in letter form with no. of bore holes and area (ha)- Hardcopy

C) Documents Required

- Part I (User Agency), II (DFO), III(CCF), IV (Nodal Officer) and Part V with covering letter (State Govt.)
- Valid letter of Intent (LOI)/Approved Mining Lease
- Site Inspection Report (SIR) from DFO
- NOC of Gram Panchyat
- KML file and certified copy of Survey of India (SoI) Toposheet map and Georeferenced Map

D) Proposals up to 40 ha are discussed in Regional Empowered Committee (REC) meeting at Regional Office Level and proposal > 40 ha in Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting at MoEF & CC, New Delhi level.

E) For Proposals up to 40 ha:-

Based on the recommendation of REC, proposal is approved by competent authority at MoEF & CC, New Delhi. Subsequently Final approval is accorded by Regional Office Level.

F) For Proposals > 40 ha:-

Based on the recommendation of FAC -Final approval is accorded by MoEF & CC, New Delhi level.



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For Mining proposals

A) Apply Online (http://forestsclearance.nic.in) under section 2(ii)

B) Documents Required

- Approved Mining Plan with approved Mining Lease from Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM)
- Reclamation Plan duly approved by competent authority at User Agency Level
- Letter of Collector (Mines) of State Govt. regarding non availability of same mineral over Non Forest area of concerned District
- Certificate from District Collector concerned for settlement of Rights under the Forest Rights Acts 2006 on the forest land proposed to be diverted.
- **NBWL clearance** if proposed area falls under National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary/Biosphere reserve/Tiger Reserve/Elephant Corridors etc.
- Part I (User Agency), II (DFO), III(CCF), IV (Nodal Officer), Part V with covering letter (State Govt.)
- Site Inspection Report (SIR) from DFO
- NOC of Gram Panchayat
- KML file and certified copy of Survey of India (SoI) Toposheet map and Geo-referenced Map of proposed diversion

C) CA land of equal Non Forest area with:

- KML file and certified copy of Survey of India (SoI) Toposheet map and Geo-referenced Map
- CA scheme for 10 years approved by State Forest Department and land suitability certificate from DFO

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- E) For Proposals up to 40 ha:-

Based on the recommendation of REC, proposal is approved by competent authority at MoEF & CC, New Delhi. Subsequently, In-principal (Stage-I) approval is accorded by Regional Office Level.

F) For Proposals > 40 ha:-

Based on the recommendation of FAC - In-principal (Stage-I) approval is accorded by MoEF & CC, New Delhi level.

- G) The User Agency is not allowed to carried out any activity (except demarcation) even after receipt of Stage-I approval
- E) The compliance of In principal (Stage-I) approval conditions is reviewed at Regional Office level (upto 40 ha)/MoEF & CC, New Delhi level (> 40 ha) with emphasis on following:
- Compensatory afforestation (CA) fund in Adhoc-CAMPA account.
- Net Present Value (NPV) fund in Adhoc-CAMPA account.
- Transfer and Mutation papers of Non Forest Land to State Forest Department
- F) Formal (Stage-II) approval will be issued based on the compliance.



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