GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.No.PCCF-FC5/FC44/1/2022
FCA Section
Dated: 24-09-2026

O/o the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad,
Telangana, Hyderabad.

Sri. Vinay Kumar, I.F.S.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
(Head of Forest Force)(FAC)
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Sub:- TGFD – F(C) Act, 1980 - Clarification regarding applicability of para 7.4(i) of the consolidated guideline to private companies deemed extension of validity of approvals granted under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan0 Adhiniyam 1980 for mining lease extended under section 8A of the MMDR Act 1957 – **Communication of Clarification /Guidelines** – Regarding.

Ref:- Scientist-E, GoI, MoEF&CC (FC Division),New Delhi F.NO. FC-11/137/2026-FC, dated 17.09.2026.

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A copy of the reference cited is enclosed herewith.

The attention of all the Circle Heads and District Forests Officers is invited to the subject and reference cited above. It is to inform that, the GoI, MoEF&CC (FC Division), New Delhi vide reference cited has issued following clarifications/Guidelines:

"Clarification regarding applicability of para 7.4(i) of the consolidated guideline to private companies deemed extension of validity of approvals granted under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam 1980 for mining lease extended under section 8A of the MMDR Act 1957"

All the Circle Heads and District Forest Officers are requested to take necessary action in the matter accordingly and also to communicate the said Clarifications/Guidelines to all the concerned User Agencies in their jurisdiction, to follow the clarification/guidelines issued by the Government of India, scrupulously.

Encl: As above.

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for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Head of Forest Force)

To,
All the Circle Heads and District Forests Officers of Telangana State.

Copy to the I/c Conservator of Forests (IT) O/o.PCCF (HoFF) TG, Hyderabad. It is requested to upload the Clarifications/Guidelines online under the heading **"FCA guidelines".**

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Administrative Officer

F. No.FC-11/137/2026-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
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New Delhi – 110003
Dated: As per e-signature

To

The Additional Chief Secretary,
Forest,Ecology and Environment Department,
Government of Karnataka

Sub: Clarification regarding applicability of para 7.4 (i) of the consolidated guideline to private companies deemed extension of vailidity of approvals granted under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980 for mining lease extended under section 8A of the MMDR Act 1957-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government letter No.FEE50FFM 2026 (e) dated 28.08.2026 seeking clarifiation whether the para 7.4 (i) of the consolidated guideline is applicable to private companies. In this regard, it is informed that pursuant to amendment in the MMDR Act, 1957 in 2015, MoEF&CC has issued guidelines dated 1.04.2015 and 07.09.2022 and said guideline have been incorporated in the para 7.4 (i) and para 3.9 (iv) of consolidated guideline issued under the Adhiniyam.

Accordingly, it is clarified that the provisions relating to extension of the validity of FC to make them co-terminus with the validity of the mining lease, as contained in Para 7.4(i), read with Para 3.9(iv) of the Consolidated Guidelines, are not restricted to Government companies/corporations. The provisions are applicable to all entities i.e. both Government and private User Agencies, wherever the underlying mining lease is covered by the applicable statutory provisions of the MMDR Act and the conditions prescribed under the aforesaid Guidelines are fulfilled.

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Yours faithfully,

(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'E'

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1. The PCCF&HoFF, Government of Karntaka, Bengaluru
2. The PCCF& Nodal Officer (VSESA) Government of Karntaka, Bengaluru
3. The DDGF,RO Bengaluru
4. Monitoring Celll, FC Division, New Delhi
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