Government of Orissa
Department of Steel & Mines
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No._____/SM, Dated 15th November, 2010
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From

Manoj Ahuja,
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.

To

All Collectors

Sub: **Implementation of IT Project in Mines Sector for major minerals.**

Sir/Madam,

In inviting a reference to the above subject, I am pleased to inform that the Government in Steel & Mines Department has taken up initiatives for implementing e-Governance for better Mines & Mineral administration in the State. The Government of Orissa has already approved this project, which will be implemented for the State in a phased manner.

In the first phase a MIS Software for all companies operating either as Lessee or Licensee will be given a unique code and related data will be entered by them to prepare a data base. This data base will serve for various compliances required in the day to day functioning of this Department and the associated bodies.

There after access will be given to all offices related to Mines Sector to update their respective data to get information on real time about the status of mineral activity in the State. The office of the Collector, Forest Department, Steel & Mines Department, OSPCB, Indian Bureau of Mines, Director Of Mines & Department of Steel & Mines will be required to operate in their respective secured login on the vital information required.

To bring in transparency and to disseminate information for general public in the Mines & Mineral sector, a website www.orissaminerals.gov.in will be launched by the Honorable Minister for Steel & Mines on the 18th of Nov 2010. A Project Management Unit (IT-PMU) for the department will also be opened in the Directorate of Mines to facilitate this endeavor of the Department to all the various offices.

Further an application software is being developed on a Pilot Basis for the Keonjhar District to facilitate online issue of Transit Permit & Transit Pass. This IT tool will also track mineral Transportation from Lessee to Licensee using RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) Technology. The field level enforcement squad & the police personnel will also benefit from this in preventing illegal Transportation of Minerals. After the success of this Pilot effort will be made to scale this for the entire State.

A project for digitization of Mining Lease boundaries and using satellite imaging to detect illegal mining has already been initiated in Keonjhar District with the help of ORSAC and thereafter it will be taken up in the other districts.
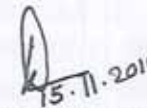
You are, therefore, requested to review the Progress of the Project at your level at least once a month to ensure smooth implementation of the project in your District.

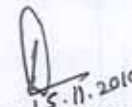Yours faithfully

Commissioner-cum-Secretary
to Government

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Copy forwarded to RDC (CD) / RDC (ND) / RDC (SD) for kind information. They are requested to take necessary initiatives for the success of this project at their level.

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Under Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to Principal Secretary, Department of Forest & Environment /Commissioner-cum-Secretary, IT / Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Science & Technology /Director of Mines, Orissa, Bhubaneswar/CEO, ORSAC/ PS to Minister, Steel & Mines, Industries & Parliamentary Affairs /Sr.PS to Chief Secretary for kind information and necessary action.

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