## F. No. 8-01/2018-FC

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Indira ParyavaranBhawan, JorBagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi: 110003,

Dated: 6 January, 2018

To.

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

Sub: Diversion of 160.838 ha of Sabik Kisam forest land as on 25<sup>th</sup> October 1980 (treated as nonforest land in hal record) including 2.7082 ha of land in safety zone in addition to 199.1720 ha of forest land earlier applied for diversion within total forest land of 360.01 ha (including Sabik Kisam forest land), located within total Mining Lease hold area over 403.3238 ha of Katamati iron Ore Mines of M/s Tata Steel Ltd. in Keonjhar district Odisha during extended ML period as per MMDR Act, 2015.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. 10F(Cons)-18/2016.263641/F&E dated 19.12.2017 on above mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to request that the Regional Office, Bhubaneswar of this Ministry may kindly inspect the forest land proposed for diversion and submit a report to this Ministry for its further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

## Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Orissa, Bhubaneswar
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Orissa. Bhubaneswar.
- 3. The Nodal Officer, O/o PCCF, Government of Orissa, Bhubaneswar.
- 4. The User Agency.
- 5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF, New Delhi.

6. Guard File.

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)