FORM-A PART-III

(To be filled by the concerned Regional Chief Conservator of Forests)

Proposal for diversion of 193.845 ha of Forest Land for Balaram Open Cast Coal Mining Project of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) (Angul Division.)

14. Whether the site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by the concerned Regional Chief Conservator of Forests (Yes/No.) If yes, the date of inspection and observation made in form of inspection note to be enclosed:

Yes, the site has been inspected on 30.12.2022.

The Site Inspection Report has been enclosed in the Diversion Proposal at Page-34(A), 34(B)

15. Whether the concerned Regional Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.

Yes.

16. Specific recommendations of concerned Regional Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons:

Recommended for acceptance subject to the followings:-

- Part of one asset i.e. Urban Plantation (12000 seedlings, creation year, 2020-2021, developed and maintained from DMF Fund) is proposed for diversion for the expansion project. Hence, cost of raising the plantation incurred till the date of diversion may be recovered from the UA to avoid wasteful expenditure on the part of Forest Department.
- Raising of Plantation of 10 times the trees to be felled in non-forest area of the project, SMC, Site Specific and Regional Wildlife Management Plan to be implemented at project cost.

Date: 31.12. 22 Place- Angul

Signature:

Name: (M. Yogajayanand, IFS)

Official Seal: Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle