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**पेंच क्षेत्र** (परासिया), तहः परासिया

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To,
The Addl. PCCF (Land Management) & Nodal Officer-FC,
Madhya Pradesh Forest Dept.
Satpuda Bhawan, Bhopal (MP)

Sub: Submission of Fresh Application for Stage – I clearance (Renewal) of 166.410

Ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of Mahadeopuri UG mine, WCL Pench Area.

Respected Sir,

With reference to the aforementioned subject matter, it is to inform your good office that, **Stage II Forestry Clearance**in respect of Mahadeopuri UG project of WCL, Pench Area Chhindwara district, Madhya Pradesh was accorded by MoEF for an area of **865.824 Ha.Mining right** including **1.832 Ha. surface right**, vide its letter No: **8-372/87-FC Dt**: 11/10/1988 and vide letter No: F.5/53/87/18/3/89 Dt: 13<sup>th</sup>Jan. 1989 Stage II Clearance was conveyed by the Chief Secretary Madhya Pradesh Govt. The physical possession of the said forest land was obtained vide State Govt. letter no.  $\pi$ 10 $\pi$ 10/335 dt. 02/02/1989. As per the condition no. 2 of final approval, the validity of the diversion is 30 years from the date on which forest land was given for mining work i.e. possession of the forest land was handed over to WCL, Pench Area. As such, the diversion of the said land was valid up to 02/02/2019.

It is prudent to mention here that WCL had initiated the application process in 2017 itself and generated the proposal no. FP/MMP/MIN/26026/2017 by filling-in initial details on the MoEF & CC portal for diversion of forest land. While filling the application for renewal of forest land at point A-4 details of the original proposal, for which renewal was being sought, needs to be filled in.

But the information of said proposal has not been uploaded by Gol on the Web portal and as such fetching of the information of original proposal was not possible in the drop box of the online application.

The matter was also brought to the notice of State Forest Dept. wherein it was advised to take up the matter at NIC level. Vide email dt. 15/05/2017 the issue was communicated to Director, NIC. The issue was also communicated to your good office by General Manager (L&R), WCL HQ, Nagpur vide letter no. 586 dt. 31/05/2017 and also on 02/05/2018.



Vide Our earlier application No: 338 dt:26/10/2018 & 343 dt: 21/12/2018 and again in 2019, this matter was brought to the knowledge of your good office for issuance of Temporary Working Permission, which is not yet received and is still awaited.

However, during the recent visit to your good office, it has been directed to file fresh application under Form A for seeking Stage – I forestry Clearance as the renewal is not being done due to technical issues and also due to the fact that the site is not updated and the earlier approval No. is not displayed drop bock in the on the Web Portal and because of which renewal application is not be accepted by the online portal.

Due to the aforementioned problem, online application in Form A (Fresh) is being submitted vide proposal No: FP/MP/MIN/37580/2018 for Stage I Forestry Clearance of 166.410 Ha. forest land (After surrendering of excess land).

The Coal Mining is a Public Utility Project and vast national property (coal) is still lying beneath the subject forest land which is to be extracted in the interest of the nation.

In light of the above facts, it is our humble request with folded hands to extend your kind support, and accept/forward our application <u>forStage – I forestry clearance for 166.410 Ha. land in respect of Mahadeopuri UG mine, WCL Pench Area to the competent authority.</u>

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours Faithfully,

User Agency AGM, WCL Pench Area