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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Impact Assessment Division)

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Dated: 3rd April, 2025

To

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Subject:

Banhardih Coal Mining Project (area: 1467.42 Ha having production capacity 12 MTPA) by M/s Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited located at: Villages: Surli, Tota, Banhardi, Bari, Jagaldaga, Rampur, Barwadih, Ete, Sabano and Sikni; District: Latehar; State: Jharkhand – Request for submission of Stage I Forest Clearance for diversion of 515.32 Ha forest land – regarding.

Sir,

This refers to the online application of M/s. Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited made vide proposal no. IA/JH/CMIN/510397/2024 dated 04.12.2024 along with copy of EIA/EMP report and Form (CAF, Part-A, B and C) seeking Environment Clearance (EC) under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the project mentioned above.

- 2. The proposal cited above was considered during the in 21st EAC meeting held on 20th -21st February, 2025, wherein the EAC recommended the proposal for grant of EC subject to environmental safeguards. Further, the said recommendations are subject to the submission of stage I forest clearance as per the MoEF&CC Office Memorandums dated 09/09/2011, 18/05/2012 and 19/06/2014 pertaining to grant of EC which involves forest land.
- 3. Based on the EAC recommendations and as per the procedure prescribed in Office Memorandums cited above, the proposal was processed and approved by the Competent Authority. In this regard, it is requested to submit the Stage I forest clearance for diversion of 515.32 ha forest land within a time limit of 12 months from the date of issue of this letter. Further, it is to inform that formal Environment Clearance will be issued only after the submission of the same.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

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