



**कार्यालय : प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक-सह-कार्यकारी निदेशक,
बंजर भूमि विकास बोर्ड, झारखंड, राँची।**

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सेवा में,

सचिव,

वन, पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग,

झारखण्ड सरकार, राँची।

विषय :- मेसर्स सी0सी0एल0 की आम्रपाली कोयला खनन परियोजना हेतु कुल 431.59 हे0 वनभूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव (FP/JH/MIN/17211/2015) के संबंध में।

- प्रसंग :-**
1. भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक F.No.8-48/2008-FC-(Vol) दिनांक 21.12.2023
 2. क्षेत्रीय मुख्य वन संरक्षक, हजारीबाग का पत्रांक 2070 दिनांक 28.11.2024 एवं पत्रांक 120 दिनांक 28.01.2025
 3. वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी, चतरा दक्षिणी वन प्रमण्डल का ज्ञापांक 359 दिनांक 25.02.2025

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक संदर्भ में सूचित करना है कि भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली के प्रासंगिक पत्र-1 द्वारा सी0सी0एल0 की आम्रपाली कोयला खनन परियोजना हेतु कुल 431.59 हे0 वनभूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव में कुल 30 शर्तों के साथ सैद्धांतिक स्वीकृति (स्टेज-1) प्रदान की गई है। उक्त स्टेज-1 का अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन क्षेत्रीय मुख्य वन संरक्षक, हजारीबाग के पत्रांक 2070 दिनांक 28.11.2024 (छायाप्रति संलग्न) द्वारा इस कार्यालय को प्राप्त हुआ, जिसमें कतिपय बिन्दुओं पर कमियाँ रहने के कारण इस कार्यालय के पत्रांक 1073 दिनांक 13.12.2024 द्वारा पृच्छा की गयी। क्षेत्रीय मुख्य वन संरक्षक, हजारीबाग के पत्रांक 120 दिनांक 28.01.2025 (छायाप्रति संलग्न) द्वारा पृच्छा का निराकरण प्रतिवेदन समर्पित किया गया है।

क्षेत्रीय मुख्य वन संरक्षक, हजारीबाग के प्रतिवेदनानुसार विषयगत परियोजना के स्टेज-1 का अनुपालन निम्नवत् प्रतिवेदित है :-

SL. No.	Stage-I Conditions	Compliance Status
1.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged. User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Attached as annexure-1).
2 (i)	Compensatory Afforestation: The compensatory afforestation over suitable non-forest land, equal in extent to the forest land being diverted i.e. 431.59 ha, shall be raised by the State Forest Department at the cost of the user agency and the work of compensatory afforestation shall start within two years of issue of order of diversion of forest land;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the General Manager, Amrapali Chandragupt Area, CCL vide his letter no 566 dated 18 Nov 2024 has informed regarding unavailability of suitable NFL for CA and requested to Consider the matter as per Gazette Notification G.S.R. 582(E) dated 20/09/2024 (Annexure - A).
(ii)	The non-forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation shall be demarcated by concrete pillars of suitable size and handed over, free from all encumbrances to the State Forest Department and the same will be notified as protected forest under section 29 of Indian Forest Act, 1927(16 of 1927) or under any other law for the time being in force before the Final/Stage-II approval;	DFO, Chatra South Forest Division vide his letter 2276 dated 19.11.2024 has forwarded the representation of User Agency with his comments regarding considering DDFL for CA by competent authority (Annexure - B).

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(iii)	The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation as per the approved CA Scheme at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal;	RCCF, Hazaribagh reported vide their later no. 120 dated 28.01.2025 that User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs 99,36,52,340.00 in Campa account vide UTR No. ICICR42025011000001995 dated 10.01.2025 Copy of payment certificate is attached as Annexure-3 of Folder-2
(iv)	The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars, if required on the CA land, shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the user agency. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include afforestation of indigenous species with appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;	
3 (i)	Net Present Value: The User Agency shall transfer the funds towards the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal in accordance with the MoEF&CC's guidelines dated 6.01.2022 read with guidelines dated 19.01.2022;	Complied. DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that a total amount of Rs 53,02,47,158 (Fifty Three Crores Two Lac Forty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight Rupees) has been paid by User agency in phased manner via following transactions:- Rs 34,73,69,770 (Thirty Four Crores Seventy Three Lac Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Rupees) was paid on 31.03.2016 via the following transactions: 1. RTGS payment of Rs 220,50,00,000 (Two Hundred Twenty Crores Fifty Lac Rupees) (to CAF AC Jharkhand Account (Account No. 037100101025212, IFSC Code CORP0000371). 2. NEFT payment of Rs 41,439 to CAF AC Jharkhand Account (Account No. 037100101025212, IFSC Code CORP0000371) for thirteen different projects. A copy of the payment details is attached by user agency as Annexure-5 for reference. (Rs 34,73,69,770) (Thirty Four Crores Seventy Three Lac Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Rupees) was part of the above-mentioned transactions of a total of 2,20,50,41,439.00 (Two Hundred Twenty Crores Fifty Lac Forty One Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Nine Rupees). The remaining amount of Rs 18, 28,77,389.00 was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no. ICICR42024101600000215 . Copies of the payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .

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(ii)	At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the present rate, the user agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;	User Agency has submitted an undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-6)
4	Keeping in view the encroachments over the areas earlier proposed for CA, the State Govt. shall provide areas free from all encumbrances for the purpose of raising compensatory afforestation along with relevant documents, certificates and kml files and uploaded the same on the PARIVESH portal;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the areas which were found having encroachments have been substituted with other forest areas with no encroachments. The AIGF, IRO, Ranchi during his site inspection directed to change two forest patches viz: Karo (102 Ha) and Kurlonga (25 Ha) due to presence of encroachment. However, later it was found that the forest patch at Kurlonga was suitable for CA. Accordingly, the site was substituted with forest patches at Jangi (50 ha) and Changer (52 Ha) both in Chatra forest range.
5	The road has been constructed/widened/blacktopped within the area of coal block and involves violation of the provisions of FCA, 1980. The State shall conduct a detailed enquiry and initiate action as per section 3A/3B;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that a forest complaint case has been registered under Indian Forest Act, 1927 against NBCC officials on 15.12.2021 for black topping over the existing kutchra road. The charge sheet of the case has been submitted in Chatra Court vide letter no 426 dated 27.02.2024 of DFO, Chatra South Forest Division. Currently this case is pending in Chatra Court.
6	The violation for the construction of road has taken place within the area of the coal block, therefore the user agency shall deposit penal NPV at the rate of Five times of the Normal NPV for forest area broken up without prior approval of the central government;	Complied. DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has deposited an amount of Rs 64,50,098.00 (Sixty Four Lac Fifty Thousand and Ninety Eight Rupees). The payment was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no CICR42024101600000215 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .
7	Keeping in view the likely impact of the project on the movement of wildlife in general and elephant in particular, the user agency shall prepare on a landscape level in 10 km circumference of the Project proposal area and the 531.64 ha already diverted area, an 'Integrated Site specific Wildlife Conservation Management and Impact Mitigation Plan';	Complied. DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that 'Integrated Site-Specific Wildlife Conservation Management and Impact Mitigation Plan' has been approved by PCCF, Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand vide letter no.27 dated 22.03.2024. User agency has deposited an amount of Rs 52.65 Crores for implementation of the same. The payment was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no CICR42024101600000215 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .

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8	The State Government shall upload the KML files of the area under diversion and the accepted area for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-green watch portal of FSI, before handing over forest land to the user agency;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the KML files of the area to be diverted and identified land for CA shall be uploaded on e-green watch portal before handing over of forest land to user agency.
9	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance;	User Agency has been submitted undertaking regarding this condition. (Attached as annexure-12)
10	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);	The Stage-I compliance report has been uploaded on the e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/); by user agency.
11	Following activities, as per approved plan / schemes, shall be undertaken in the lease area by the User Agency under the supervision of the State Forest Department. Approved scheme/plan shall be submitted to the Ministry along with compliance of Stage-I approval:	
(i)	Mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of stream shall be implemented within a period of three year with effect from the issue of Stage- II clearance in accordance with the approved Plan in consultation with the State Forest Department;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-13).
(ii)	Planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds, in the appropriate area within the mining lease to arrest soil erosion in accordance with the approved scheme;	
(iii)	Construction of check dams, retention /toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour in accordance with the approved scheme;	
(iv)	Stabilize the overburden dumps by appropriate grading/benching, in accordance with the approved scheme, so as to ensure that angles of repose at any given place is less than 280; and	
(v)	No damage shall be caused to the top-soil and the user agency will follow the top soil management plan.	
12	User agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meter from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities will be prepared and submitted to MoEF&CC before Stage-II Clearance;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has deposited an amount of Rs 25.68 Crores (0.5% of the project cost i.e. 5136.15 Crores) in light of MoEF&CC, GoI guideline dated 7 th June 2022. The payment was made on 21.11.2024 via UTR no ICICR22024112106344101 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-14 .
13	Safety Zone Management: Following activities, at project cost, shall be undertaken by the user agency for the management of safety zone as per relevant guidelines issued by the Ministry's guidelines:	

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(i)	User agency shall ensure demarcation of safety zone (7.5 meter strip all along the inner boundary of the mining lease area), and its fencing, protection and regeneration by erecting adequate number of 6 feet high RCC boundary pillars inscribed with DGPS coordinates with barbed wire fencing and deploying adequate number of watchers under the supervision of the State Forest Department;	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-1a of Folder-II
(ii)	Boundary of the safety zone of the mining lease, adjacent to habitation/roads, should be properly fenced by the user agency;	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-1b of Folder-II.
(iii)	Safety zone shall be maintained as green belt around mining lease and to ensure dense canopy in the area, regeneration shall be taken up in this area by the user agency at project cost under the supervision of the State Forest Deptt.	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-1c of Folder-II.
(iv)	The State Government and the user agency shall ensure that safety zone is maintained as per the prescribed norms;	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-1d of Folder-II.
14	The R&R Plan shall be implemented as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy, Government of India before the commencement of the project work and implementation. The said R&R Plan will be monitored by the State Government/Regional Office of MoEF&CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones.	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported vide their latter no. 359 dated 25.02.2025 that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-2 of Folder-II.
15	The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary. This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake desilting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed approved plan for de-silting of identified ponds and water bodies to be prepared in consultation with forest department and shall be submitted to MoEF& CC before Stage-II approval;	The Divisional Forest Officer Chatra South forest division reported vide their latter no. 118 dated 18.01.2025 that De-Silting Plan was approved by PCCF(HoFF) vide office order no. 09 dated 17.01.2025. (Annexure-7 of Folder-II).
16	The user agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department. Also the trees should be felled in phased manner as per the requirement in the approved Mining Plan with prior permission of concerned DFO;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-20).

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17	The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-21).
18	The User Agency shall undertake mining in a phased manner after taking due care for reclamation of the mined over area. The concurrent reclamation plan as per the approved mining plan shall be executed by the User Agency from the very first year, and an annual report on implementation thereof shall be submitted to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in the concerned State Government and the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry. If it is found from the annual report that the activities indicated in the concurrent reclamation plan are not being executed by the User Agency, the Nodal Officer or the concern Addl. Principle Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) may direct that the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time, such reclamation activities area satisfactorily executed;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-22).
19	The User Agency shall comply with the Hon'ble Supreme Court order on regressing, and re-grass the mining area and any other areas which may have been disturbed due to mining to restore them to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna, etc. in a timely manner;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-23).
20	Period of diversion of the said forest land under this approval shall be for a period co-terminus with the period of the mining lease proposed to be granted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, as amended and the Rules framed there-under;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-24). DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the condition may be re-considered, as under Coal Bearing Act, 1956 the land vests permanently with CCL. It is advisable to mention the diversion to be valid for a certain period or to make it co-terminus with environmental clearance.
21	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has valid Environment Clearance for a capacity of 24.19 MTPA vide letter No. J-11015/109/2003-IA (M) dated February 5, 2024 issued by the MoEF.
22	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-25).
23	The boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates;	Divisional Forest officer, Chatra south forest division reported vide their latter no. 359 dated 25.02.2025 that User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard is attached as Annexure-3 of Folder-II.

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24	The layout plan of the mining plan/ proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government and the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-27).
25	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-28).
26	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-29).
27	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-30).
28	The User Agency shall submit the annual self - compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-31).
29	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife shall be carried with by the State Government and user agency;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-32).
30	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-33).

अतः क्षेत्रीय मुख्य वन संरक्षक, हजारीबाग से विषयगत वनभूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव में स्टेज-I का प्राप्त अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन तीन प्रतियों में इस पत्र के साथ संलग्न कर अग्रतर कार्रवाई हेतु भेजी जा रही है।

संचिका में प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक (HoFF), झारखण्ड का अनुमोदन प्राप्त है।

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प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक-सह-कार्यकारी निदेशक,
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विषय—
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अपयोजन प्रस्ताव के संबंध में।

आपका पत्रांक 11 दिनांक 03.01.2024

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रासंगिक पत्र के संदर्भ में सूचित करना है कि विषयक परियोजना मेसर्स सी०सी०एल० की आम्रपाली कोयला खनन परियोजना हेतु कुल 431.59 हे० वनभूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव में भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली के पत्र संख्या— F.No.8-48/2008-FC-(Vol) दिनांक 21.12.2023 द्वारा कुल 30 शर्तों के साथ सैद्धांतिक स्वीकृति (स्टेज-1) प्रदान की गई है। सैद्धांतिक सहमति के शर्तों का अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन वन संरक्षक, प्रादेशिक अंचल, चतरा के पत्रांक 628 दिनांक 26.11.2024 तथा वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी, चतरा दक्षिणी वन प्रमण्डल के पत्रांक 2306 दिनांक 26.11.2024 द्वारा शर्तवार अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन मंतव्य सहित इस कार्यालय को प्राप्त हुआ है जिसमें अनुपालन की स्थिति निम्नवत है—

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CCL Amarpali Chandragupt OCP 431.59 ha. Phase-II

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	approval;	
(iii)	The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation as per the approved CA Scheme at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal;	
(iv)	The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars, if required on the CA land, shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the user agency. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include afforestation of indigenous species with appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;	
3 (i)	<p>Net Present Value:</p> <p>The User Agency shall transfer the funds towards the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal in accordance with the MoEF&CC's guidelines dated 6.01.2022 read with guidelines dated 19.01.2022;</p>	<p>Complied.</p> <p>DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that a total amount of Rs 53,02,47,158 (Fifty Three Crores Two Lac Forty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight Rupees) has been paid by user agency in phased manner via following transactions:-</p> <p>Rs 34,73,69,770 (Thirty Four Crores Seventy Three Lac Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Rupees) was paid on 31.03.2016 via the following transactions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RTGS payment of Rs 220,50,00,000 (Two Hundred Twenty Crores Fifty Lac Rupees) (to CAF AC Jharkhand Account (Account No. 037100101025212, IFSC Code CORP0000371). 2. NEFT payment of Rs 41,439 to CAF AC Jharkhand Account (Account No. 037100101025212, IFSC Code CORP0000371) for thirteen different projects. A copy of the payment details is attached by user agency as Annexure-5 for reference. <p>(Rs 34,73,69,770) (Thirty Four Crores Seventy Three Lac Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Rupees) was part of the above-mentioned transactions of a total of 2,20,50,41,439.00 (Two Hundred Twenty Crores Fifty Lac Forty One Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Nine Rupees).</p>

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		The remaining amount of Rs 18, 28,77,389.00 was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no. ICICR42024101600000215 . Copies of the payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .
(ii)	At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the present rate, the user agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;	User Agency has submitted an undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-6)
4	Keeping in view the encroachments over the areas earlier proposed for CA, the State Govt. shall provide areas free from all encumbrances for the purpose of raising compensatory afforestation along with relevant documents, certificates and kml files and uploaded the same on the PARIVESH portal;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the areas which were found having encroachments have been substituted with other forest areas with no encroachments. The AIGF, IRO, Ranchi during his site inspection directed to change two forest patches viz: Karo (102 Ha) and Kurlonga (25 Ha) due to presence of encroachment. However, later it was found that the forest patch at Kurlonga was suitable for CA. Accordingly, the site was substituted with forest patches at Jangi (50 ha) and Changer (52 Ha) both in Chatra forest range.
5	The road has been constructed/widened/blacktopped within the area of coal block and involves violation of the provisions of FCA, 1980. The State shall conduct a detailed enquiry and initiate action as per section 3A/3B;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that a forest complaint case has been registered under Indian Forest Act, 1927 against NBCC officials on 15.12.2021 for black topping over the existing kutchha road. The charge sheet of the case has been submitted in Chatra Court vide letter no 426 dated 27.02.2024 of DFO, Chatra South Forest Division. Currently this case is pending in Chatra Court.
6	The violation for the construction of road has taken place within the area of the coal block, therefore the user agency shall deposit penal NPV at the rate of Five times of the Normal NPV for forest area broken up without prior approval of the central government;	Complied. DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has deposited an amount of Rs 64,50,098.00 (Sixty Four Lac Fifty Thousand and Ninety Eight Rupees). The payment was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no CICR42024101600000215 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .
7	Keeping in view the likely impact of the project on the movement of wildlife in general and elephant in particular, the user agency shall prepare on a landscape level in 10 km circumference of the Project proposal area and the 531.64 ha already diverted area, an 'Integrated Site specific Wildlife Conservation Management and Impact Mitigation Plan';	Complied. DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that 'Integrated Site-Specific Wildlife Conservation Management and Impact Mitigation Plan' has been approved by PCCF, Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand vide letter no.27 dated 22.03.2024.

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		User agency has deposited an amount of Rs 52.65 Crores for implementation of the same. The payment was made on 16.10.2024 via UTR no CICR42024101600000215 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-5 .
8	The State Government shall upload the KML files of the area under diversion and the accepted area for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-green watch portal of FSI, before handing over forest land to the user agency;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the KML files of the area to be diverted and identified land for CA shall be uploaded on e-green watch portal before handing over of forest land to user agency.
9	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance;	User Agency has been submitted undertaking regarding this condition. (Attached as annexure-12)
10	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);	User Agency has been submitted undertaking regarding this condition. (Attached as annexure-12 A) .
11	Following activities, as per approved plan / schemes, shall be undertaken in the lease area by the User Agency under the supervision of the State Forest Department. Approved scheme/plan shall be submitted to the Ministry along with compliance of Stage-I approval:	
(i)	Mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of stream shall be implemented within a period of three year with effect from the issue of Stage II clearance in accordance with the approved Plan in consultation with the State Forest Department;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-13) .
(ii)	Planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds, in the appropriate area within the mining lease to arrest soil erosion in accordance with the approved scheme;	
(iii)	Construction of check dams, retention /toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour in accordance with the approved scheme;	
(iv)	Stabilize the overburden dumps by appropriate grading/benching, in accordance with the approved scheme, so as to ensure that angles of repose at any given place is less than 280; and	
(v)	No damage shall be caused to the top-soil and the user agency will follow the top soil management plan.	

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12	User agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meter from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities will be prepared and submitted to MoEF&CC before Stage-II Clearance;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has deposited an amount of Rs 25.68 Crores (0.5% of the project cost i.e. 5136.15 Crores) in light of MoEF&CC, GoI guideline dated 7 th June 2022. The payment was made on 21.11.2024 via UTR no ICICR22024112106344101 . Payment details are attached as Annexure-14 .
13	Safety Zone Management: Following activities, at project cost, shall be undertaken by the user agency for the management of safety zone as per relevant guidelines issued by the Ministry's guidelines:	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-15).
(i)	User agency shall ensure demarcation of safety zone (7.5 meter strip all along the inner boundary of the mining lease area), and its fencing, protection and regeneration by erecting adequate number of 6 feet high RCC boundary pillars inscribed with DGPS coordinates with barbed wire fencing and deploying adequate number of watchers under the supervision of the State Forest Department;	
(ii)	Boundary of the safety zone of the mining lease, adjacent to habitation/roads, should be properly fenced by the user agency;	
(iii)	Safety zone shall be maintained as green belt around mining lease and to ensure dense canopy in the area, regeneration shall be taken up in this area by the user agency at project cost under the supervision of the State Forest Deptt	
(iv)	The State Government and the user agency shall ensure that safety zone is maintained as per the prescribed norms;	
14	The R&R Plan shall be implemented as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy, Government of India before the commencement of the project work and implementation. The said R&R Plan will be monitored by the State Government/Regional Office of MoEF&CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones.	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-16).
		User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-17).
		User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-18).
		User agency has agreed to the condition.
15	The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary. This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake desilting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed approved plan for de-silting of identified	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that a ten year de-siltation plan has been prepared with consultation of forest division and the same has been forwarded vide DFO Chatra South division letter no 2274 dated 19-11-2024 & CF Teritorial Circle Chatra letter no. 629 dt. 26.11.2024. The above plan has been forwarded for

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	ponds and water bodies to be prepared in consultation with forest department and shall be submitted to MoEF& CC before Stage-II approval;	approval to PCCF (HoFF), Jharkhand vide letter no 2067 dt. 28.11.2024 of this office.
16	The user agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department. Also the trees should be felled in phased manner as per the requirement in the approved Mining Plan with prior permission of concerned DFO;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-20).
17	The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-21).
18	The User Agency shall undertake mining in a phased manner after taking due care for reclamation of the mined over area. The concurrent reclamation plan as per the approved mining plan shall be executed by the User Agency from the very first year, and an annual report on implementation thereof shall be submitted to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in the concerned State Government and the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry. If it is found from the annual report that the activities indicated in the concurrent reclamation plan are not being executed by the User Agency, the Nodal Officer or the concern Addl. Principle Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) may direct that the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time, such reclamation activities area satisfactorily executed;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-22).
19	The User Agency shall comply with the Hon'ble Supreme Court order on regressing, and re-grass the mining area and any other areas which may have been disturbed due to mining to restore them to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna, etc. in a timely manner;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-23).
20	Period of diversion of the said forest land under this approval shall be for a period co-terminus with the period of the mining lease proposed to be granted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, as amended and the Rules framed there-under;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-24). DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that the condition may be re-considered, as under Coal Bearing Act, 1956 the land vests permanently with CCL. It is advisable to mention the diversion to be valid for a certain period or to make it co-terminus with environmental clearance.

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21	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;	DFO Chatra South Forest Division has Submitted that user agency has valid Environment Clearance for a capacity of 24.19 MTPA vide letter No. J-11015/109/2003-IA (M) dated February 5, 2024 issued by the MoEF.
22	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-25).
23	The boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-26).
24	The layout plan of the mining plan/ proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government and the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-27).
25	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-28).
26	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-29).
27	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-30).
28	The User Agency shall submit the annual self - compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-31).
29	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife shall be carried with by the State Government and user agency;	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-32).
30	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of	User Agency has submitted undertaking in this regard. (Annexure-33).

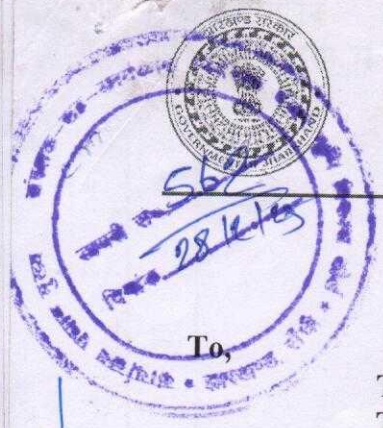
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Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.	

अतः वन संरक्षक, प्रादेशिक अंचल, चतरा तथा वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी, चतरा दक्षिणी वन प्रमण्डल से प्राप्त स्टेज-I अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन पर अधोहस्ताक्षरी सहमत है। अनुपालन प्रतिवेदन की पाँच प्रतियाँ इस पत्र के साथ संलग्न अग्रेतर आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु समर्पित की जा रही है।

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Letter No.

Date :

To,

The Conservator of Forest,
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Sub: Compliance to the query raised by ED Nodal, GoJ vide letter no 154 dated 24.02.2025

Ref: PO/A/FC/Stage-I/Undertaking/Timeline/2024-25/ 2780 dated 25.02.2025.

Sir,

With reference to queries raised by ED Nodal, GoJ vide letter no 154 dated 24.02.2025 for forest land diversion of 431.59 Ha Forest land in favour of Amrapali OCP, CCL, the User Agency has submitted point-wise compliance through captioned letter. Condition-wise compliance of the same with comments of Divisional Forest Officer, Chatra South Forest Division is being submitted below:

Query raised by ED Nodal, GoJ		Compliance submitted by CCL	Comments of DFO, Chatra South Forest Division
1.	प्रयोक्ता अभिकरण द्वारा स्टेज-1 के शर्त संख्या-xiii के अनुपालन हेतु समर्पित वचनबद्धता में Timeline नहीं दी गयी है।	Amrapali OCP, CCL undertakes that demarcation of safety zone (7.5-meter strip all along the inner boundary of the mining lease area), and its fencing, protection, and regeneration by erecting adequate number of 6 feet high RCC boundary pillars inscribed with DGPS coordinates with barbed wire fencing and deploying adequate number of watchers under the supervision of the State Forest Department will be completed <u>within three months of obtaining forest land handover.</u> (Ref: Annexure-1a, 1b, 1c and 1d).	User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard. (Annexure-1a, 1b, 1c and 1d).
2	प्रयोक्ता अभिकरण द्वारा स्टेज-1 के शर्त संख्या- xiv के अनुपालन हेतु समर्पित वचनबद्धता में Timeline नहीं दी गयी है।	Amrapali OCP, CCL undertakes that the activities under the R&R Plan shall be commenced and implemented as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy. Government of India. Amrapali OCP, CCL further undertakes that <u>the activities under the R&R Plan shall be commenced within one year of obtaining forest land handover.</u> Undertaking enclosed as Annexure - 2.	User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard. (Annexure-2).

<p>2 प्रयोक्ता अभिकरण द्वारा स्टेज-1 के शर्त संख्या xxiii के अनुपालन हेतु समर्पित वचनबद्धता में Timeline नहीं दी गयी है।</p>	<p>Amrapali OCP, CCL undertakes that the boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates <u>within three months of obtaining forest land handover.</u> Undertaking enclosed as Annexure - 3.</p>	<p>User Agency has submitted undertaking with timeline in this regard. (Annexure-3).</p>
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Sent for information and necessary action.

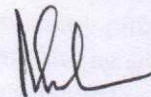
Encl: - As stated.

Yours Sincerely,
S.D/-

Divisional Forest Officer,
Chatra South Forest Division, Chatra.

Memo no: - 359 Date: - 25/02/2025

Copy to: - Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Hazaribagh/ PCCF Cum- ED. Nodal, Van Bhawan, Ranchi for information and further action.



Divisional Forest Officer,
Chatra South Forest Division, Chatra.

25/02/2025