## Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

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To The Principal Secretary EFS&T Department, Government of Telangana, Dr. BR Ambedkar, Telangana Secretariat Hyderabad.

Sub: Subject: Regularization of 330.33 ha. (330.1826 ha as per DGPS Survey) of forest land in Upperlakesaram Forest Block in Manthani Range of Peddapalli Division for Open Cast Mining Operations and Other Activities of SCCL in Peddapalli District in favour of M/s SCCL (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/47899/2020).-regarding.

## Madam/Sir

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.1069/For.I (1)/2021 dated 27.05.2024 on the above-mentioned subject with a request to delete the condition no. 3 of the 'in-principle' approval granted vide letter of even no. dated 21.11.2023, and to say that the said proposal has been examined by the Advisory Committee (AC) constituted by the Central Government under Section-3 of the aforesaid Act.

2. After careful consideration of the proposal of the Government of Telangana and to inform that the Committee had detailed discussion and deliberation with the DDGF, RO Chennai, IGF (Central), Sub-Office Hyderabad, Nodal Officer, Government of Telangana and after going through the facts of the proposal. Considering the specific details as provided in the proposal with respect to the earlier recommendations of the State Nodal Officer and Regional Officer, reported non-compliance of earlier stipulated conditions and in-ordinate delay in submitting the proposal for regularization as well the facts that there are documents which indicate that the UA and SFD has the knowledge that the said land is a forest land and especially after the year 2013 wherein the issue was deliberated in the AC, the Committee decided to *reject* the request of the State Government to delete the condition No.3 of Stage-I approval letter dated 21.11.2023 and directed for a timely compliance by the State Government.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.

- 2. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (Adhiniyam), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- The DDGF (C) Regional Office, Chennai, of MoEF&CC.
  The IGF (C) Sub-office, Hyderabad of MoEF&CC

- User Agency.
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