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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003. Dated: 30th October, 2023

To,

The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 206.826 ha forest land in the Forest compartment No PF-400, 401, 409, 410, 413, 414 & 422 of Damua Range under West Chhindwara Forest Division for the Tandsi Under-ground Coal Mining Project by M/s Western Coalfield Limited (WCL) under Chhindwara District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/44238/2020) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter No. F-1/833/2022/10-11/3123 dated 13.07.2023 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and to request that the Regional Office, Bhopal of this Ministry shall carryout the inspection of the forest land proposed for diversion, sites identified for compensatory afforestation (CA) and submit a detailed site inspection report (SIR) to this Ministry for further necessary action, at the earliest.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

## Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.