

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

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**Dated: 6th October, 2023**

To,

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

**Subject: Diversion of 255.177 ha of forest land for underground coal mining of Maori Coal Block in favour of M/s. Western Coalfields Ltd. in Chhindwara district of Madhya Pradesh (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/1049/2011) - regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter no. F-1/480/2008/10-11/3856 dated 24.08.2023 of PCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh on the above mentioned subject forwarding the information in reference to Ministry letter of even no. dated 02.12.2014 and to inform that a considerable period of nearly 10 years has been elapsed from the date of last communication, therefore, an inspection of the area may be conducted by the Regional Office, Bhopal to ascertain the factual position of the proposal. The status of violation of FCA, 1980, and action taken if any is also required.

The Regional Office, Bhopal is requested to submit a detailed report in this regard at the earliest please.

Yours sincerely,

**Signed by Suneet Bhardwaj**

**Date: 06-10-2023 17:55:10**

**Reason: Approved**

(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.