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

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Dated: 11th November, 2022

To,

The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Proposal for grant of change in the land use pattern on 371.192 ha of forest land already diverted on 22.04.2004 in favour of M/s JSW Steel Limited-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government of Odisha's letter No. FE-DIV-FLD-0120-124961/FE&CC dated 15.07.2022, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal was considered by the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 17.10.2022 and the minutes of the said meeting may be accessed at: www.parivesh.nic.in. The FAC, after going through the facts of the proposal, desired that the following details, based on a site-visit, needs to be informed by the IRO:

- i. Site-specificity of the components proposed in the change of land use proposal.
- ii. Confirmation of the components proposed in the proposal vis-à-vis those approved in the Mining Plan.

In view of the above, IRO, Bhubaneswar is requested to submit a report, as above, to this Ministry, enabling further necessary consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-(Charan Jeet Singh) Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

- 1. Principle Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 6. Guard File.