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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 23rd January, 2023

To

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

Sub: Proposal for non-forestry use of 1,006.17 ha, comprising of 633.19 ha and 372.98 ha of forest land for Kotre, Basantpur Open Cast Mining Project in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited in Ramgarh and Bokaro district of Jharkhand.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the recommendations of Forest Advisory Committee meeting held on 7.11.2022 wherein FAC decided that the Committee will undertake a site visit to the area. After assessment of the situation, appropriate decision in the matter may be taken by the Committee in its next meeting.

In this regard it has been decided by the competent authority that the Regional Office, IRO Ranchi of this Ministry shall conduct a site visit of the area and submit a detailed report keeping in view the issues raised by the FAC. The report shall be submitted to the Ministry within three days.

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

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forest), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC.