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

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The Deputy Director General of Forests (C), Regional Office, Shillong Shillong.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s. Hill Cement Company Ltd. for non-forestry use of 32.693 ha. of deemed forest land for construction of ancillary structures and for green belt at Mynkre, Jaintia Hills Territorial Division, East Jaintia Hills District in the State of Meghalaya (Online Proposal No. FP/ML/IND/150152/2021)- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Government of Meghalaya letter No. FOR.22/2022/102 dated 31.10.2023 on the above mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and to say that Regional Office in their site inspection report has mentioned that there is violation over an area of 12.12 ha. However, as per DSS carried out in the Ministry, it has been observed that violation is identified approximately over an area of 18.89 ha.

In view of the above, Regional Office, Shillong is requested to revisit the area proposed for diversion and submit revised site inspection report along with recommendation of DDGF (C), Regional Office, Shillong.

Yours faithfully,

<u>Sd/-</u> (S. Sundar) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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