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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: As per E-Sign

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Subject: Subject: Proposal for diversion of 354.258 ha of forest land/revenue forest land (314.743 ha of forest land + 39.515 ha of revenue forest land = 354.258 ha forest land) for Jhiria West Opencast Coal Mining in favour of M/s. South Eastern Coal Fields Limited, Anuppur District State of Madhya Pradesh (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/39881/2019) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer the Addl. PCCF (Land Management), Government of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-1/FP/MIN/39881/2019/5821 dated 02.02.2024 received in the Ministry on 02.01.2025 on the above cited subject.

In this regard, it is to inform that the instant proposal has already deliberated in the Advisory Committee meeting held on 04.07.2024 wherein it has been recommended that the proposal may not be acceded to in its present proposition and thereafter with the approval of competent authority the Ministry vide letter of even no. dt. 01.08.2024 has communicated the same to the State Govt.

Further in relevance to Rajnagar RO/underground mine project the Ministry vide letter no. 8-145/2006-FC dt. 14.08.2024 has issued notice wherein it has been informed that the State Government shall take immediate necessary action for compliance of the stipulated conditions and submit the reasons for inordinate delay for submission of compliance of conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval dated 10.01.2008 to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter. However the same has not been submitted.

In view of above, it is once again requested to furnish the necessary compliance along with reasons for inordinate delay, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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- 1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, 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.