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

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The Special Chief Secretary (Forests), EFS &T Department, Telangana Secretariat, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) Telangana, for non-forestry use of 151.8517 ha of forest land falling in Yellandu division for proposed JK OC project at Yellandu division Telangana State. –regarding (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/49581/2020)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter letter No.3219/For. I (1)/2022 dated 06th June, 2022 and additional information submitted vide letter No. 3219/For. I(1)/2022 dated 09.01.02024 on the above mentioned subject proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

In this regard I am also directed to inform that the proposal has been examined in the ministry and after the examination it has been observed that the following information is required to be submitted by the State Government for further action in the matter:

- i. Lease history of YML and YAML mining projects along-with the copies of the all earlier FC approvals/renewals granted by the MoEF&CC/RO.
- ii. As per the proposed land use 0.3510 ha area below river/Nala/canal has been proposed to be diverted. Therefore, there is a need to take the necessary permission from the concerned department of the State Govt. for diversion of said nalla. In addition necessary measures/plan to mitigate the adverse impacts of the diversion of the area below river/Nala/canal is required. The same may be submitted.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to:

- 1. PCCF (HoFF), Forest Department, Government of Telangana.
- 2. DDGF (Central), MoEF&CC's RO Chennai.
- 3. IGF (Central), sub office Hyderabad.
- 4. APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF (HoFF), Government of Telangana.
- 5. User Agency.
- 6. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.