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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aligani, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: February, 2024

To,

The Dy. Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 1397.54 ha forest land out of which 1335.35 ha Reserved forest land (RF) in various forest compartments and 62.19 ha Revenue forest in various Khasra's of Forest Range Waidhan/ Sarai East for Open Cast Dhirauli Coal Mine Project in favour of M/s Stratatech Mineral Resources Private Limited under Singrauli Forest Division, Singrauli District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/142344/2021) - reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. PCCF (Land Management) Government of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-1/845/2023/10-11/492 dated 22.01.2024 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to request that the Regional Office, Bhopal of this Ministry may kindly inspect the forest area proposed for diversion and land identified for Compensatory Afforestation (CA) and submit a detailed site inspection report (SIR) to this Ministry for further necessary action, at the earliest.

Yours sincerely,

(Suneet Bhardwaj) **Assistant Inspector General of Forests**

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), 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.