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

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To, **The Principal Secretary (Forests),** Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Subject: Diversion of 1026.438 ha of forest land for coal mining Pakribarwadih Project in favour of M/s NTPC Ltd. in Hazaribag West Forest Division in Hazaribag District of Jharkhand –reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Hon'ble NGT judgment dated 21.01.2025 regarding appeal No. 20 of 2023 titled as NTPC Vs State of Jharkhand and ors.

In this regard, the matter was considered by the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 05.03.2025. The minutes of the meeting of the AC may kindly be seen at *www.parivesh.nic.in*.

After going through the facts of the proposal, the Committee decided to**defer** the proposal for discussion in the next Advisory Committee meeting. The Advisory Committee desired that the HoFF/Nodal Officer, Forest Department Govt. of Jharkhand should be present in person in the next AC meeting with detailed facts for further discussion on the matter.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to take appropriate action in the matter as per recommendation of Advisory Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Digitally signed by SUNEET BHARDWAJ Date: 13-03-2025 09:56:47

(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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- 1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
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