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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003. Dated: March, 2024

To Deputy Director General of Forests (Central) MoEF&CC's Regional Office at Chennai,

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) of the Van Sanrakshana Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s. SCCL for non-forestry use of 649.3014 ha forest land in Ramavaram RF of Ramavaram Range of Kothagudem forest division for grant of mining lease for proposed Venkateshkhani OCP from underground rights to surface rights in Kothagudem area in Bhadradri Kothagudem District (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/44798/2020)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.232/For.I (1)/2021 dated 01.03.2024 (*Copy Enclosed*) forwarding the additional information in response to this Ministry's letter dated 21.11.2023 and to say that most of the observations noted by the Advisory Committee which were based on the monitoring report/SIR submitted by the Regional Office. Therefore, it is requested to kindly examine the reply of the State Govt. and carry SIR if required as per the details provided by the State Govt and submit report at the earliest.

Yours faithfully

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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- 1. Additional Secretary (Forest), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 2. PCCF & HoFF, Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 3. APCCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 4. IGF (C) Sub-office, Hyderabad, of MoEF&CC.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, of MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 6. User Agency.