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Date: As per e-signed

To,

**The General Manger
South Eastern Coal Field Limited
Hasdeo Area, Post-South Jhagrakhand Colliery
District-Koriya, Chhatisgarh**

Sub: Diversion of 502 ha of forest land for renewal of lease for Rajnagar RO Underground Coal Mining Project in Anup-Nagar District of Madhya Pradesh in favour of M/s South Eastern Coalfield Limited and also diversion of 123.56 ha forest land (a part of 502.00 ha) for surface use for the same project – regarding. (Parivesh Proposal No.- FP/MP/MIN/1384/2006)

Ref: GoI, MoEF&CC (FC Division), letter No. 8-145/2006(FC), Dated- 19th January, 2026.

Sir,

With reference to the subject mention above and the letter under reference, I am directed to inform you that a site inspection was carried out by the Regional Office, Bhopal during the period 17–18 February, 2026. During the inspection, it was observed that certain essential documents/information are required for further examination of the proposal. You were asked to provide the information, which has not been provided yet. The site inspection report is pending as of now for want of following information: -

1. Detailed information on the mining activity and related activities after grant of Stage-I approval vide MoEF & CC letter no. 8- 145/2006-FC dated 10.01.2008, including a clear breakup of broken area within forest land and non-forest land, along with details of mining/ related activities carried out by the User Agency after the Stage I approval.
2. Whether Stage-II approval has been obtained after the receipt of Stage I approval by the User Agency (SECL). If so, a copy of the Stage-II approval of the MoEFCC shall be furnished.
3. Whether any order / documentary exists regarding the transfer of forest land or grant of working permission by the State Forest Department in favour of SECL for mining purposes; if so, the same shall be furnished.
4. It was stated during the site inspection that the mine is not functioning since 2015. The approved Mining Closure Plan for the Rajnagar Underground Mine, specifically indicating provisions related to the forest land, shall be furnished.
5. It was stated during the site inspection that the mine is not functioning since 2015. Quarterly compliance reports submitted by User Agency to the any Govt. Organization/DGMS/IBM for the year 2015–16 and the latest period may be furnished, clearly indicating the status of mining activities separately for forest and non-forest areas.

The above information shall be furnished at the earliest for further necessary action.

(Rajesh Darade)
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Regional Office, Bhopal

Copy to:

- 1) The Inspector General of Forest, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryawaran Bhawan, New Delhi. It is submitted the report pursuant to letter from MoEF&CC No.: 8-14/2020-FC (E-140165) dated 19-01-2026, wherein the Regional Office Bhopal was requested to submit the detailed report on the subject proposal along with the SIR of the Rajnagar RO Underground mine of the South Eastern Coalfield Limited (SECL) (Proposal No: FP/MP/MIN/1384/2006), the site inspection was carried out and the details are pending in view of non-availability of certain information from the South Eastern Coal Field Limited
- 2) The APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Van Bhawan, Bhopal for information. It is requested to inform whether any GO was issued pursuant to Stage I approval vide MoEF & CC letter no. 8- 145/2006-FC dated 10.01.2008 or later accorded to SECL allowing mining operations of Rajnagar RO Underground coal mining project.