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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi - 110003 **Dated: April, 2023**

To,

The Regional Officer,
Integrated Regional Offi

Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal

Subject: Diversion of 14.00 ha Reserved Forest land in Compartment No. 454 of Junnadev Vishala Village of Jamai Range for Bharat Open Cast Coal Mine Phase-II in favour of M/s Western Coalfield Limited in Chhindwara District, Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/26356/2017) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer the APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-1/FP/MP/MIN/26356/2017/3478 dated 21.10.2021forwarding a fresh proposal on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

In this regard, it is inform that the present proposal of 14.00 ha lies in the Compartment No. 454 and the Ministry in the past has already approved proposal for diversion of 68.704 ha forest land and another proposal for diversion of 19.500 ha forest land in favour of M/s Western Coalfield Limited in the same Compartment No. 454.

In view of above it is requested to carry out the Site Inspection for the proposed forest land and the area proposed for CA along with the extent of forest land within mining lease and submit a detailed Site Inspection Report along with the status of compliance of conditions stipulated in earlier approved proposals to the Ministry at the earliest.

Yours sincerely,

sd/-(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.