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, 2024

Τo,

1. The Principal Secretary (Forests),

Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Ranchi.

Subject: Proposal involving non-forestry use of 10.24 ha of forest land in favour of M/s NTPC Ltd. for construction of Ash dyke and water reservoir in Tandwa Block, of District Chatra (Jharkhand) – Request for re-consideration the rejected proposal - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand's letter No. Vanbhumi-19/2021-640-V.P. dated 27.02.2024 on the above subject wherein it has been requested for reconsideration of earlier decision of the Ministry and it has been also informed that user agency i.e. NTPC has done violation by carrying out construction work on the forest land proposed for diversion without prior approval of Central Government.

In view of the above, it is requested to take action under applicable statute particularly Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in case of violation and submit the report at the earliest.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely,

-/Sd/-(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

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

Ranchi;

- 3. User Agency;
- Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.