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

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To

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

Sub: Proposal involving non-forestry use of 192.50 ha of forest land in favor of M/s M/s Jayaswal Neco Industries Limited for mining of iron ore located in village Chhote Donger, District Narayanpur (Chhattisgarh) - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. F-5-04/2019/10-2 dated 6.04.2021 on the above subject forwarding additional information sought by the Ministry vide letter dated 11.07.2020 and to say that examination of the said information in the ministry revealed the following:

- i. Details of land identified for raising compensatory afforestation in lieu of 101.25 ha of forest land proposed for diversion needs to be submitted along with supporting documents viz. KML/Shape files, approved CA scheme, site suitability certificate.
- ii. Updated status of notification of 35.74 ha of non-forest land identified for raising CA under the IFA needs to be intimated by the State.
- iii. Updated reclamation Plan proposed to be implemented in the forest area in accordance with the approved Mining Plan needs to be submitted by State Government. Copy of updated/revalidated Mining Plan, as approved by the IBM may also be submitted by the State.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information/documents, to the Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

sd/-(Charan Jeet Singh) Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

- 1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 2. Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office of MoEF&CC at Naya Raipur
- 3. Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 4. Monitoring Cell of FC Division
- 5. User Agency
- 6. Guard File