F. No. 8-64/2007-FC

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

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Dated:

April, 2019

To,

The Addl. Director General (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forestsp and Climate Change, Regional Office (NEZ), Uplands Road, Laitumkhrah, Shillong-793003, Meghalaya:

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 116.589 hectare of forest land in favour of M/s. Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited for limestone mining and other Ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya.

Sir,

I am directed to inform that Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya vide his letter No.FOR.72/2007/Pt-I/Vol-II/1939 dated 13.03.2019 requested to intimate the exact area of the land which Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited are supposed to acquire for the purpose of compensatory afforestation (CA) and penal compensatory afforestation over.

In this regard, Regional Office, Shillong is requested to examine the issue keeping in view the user agency is a private agency who is entitle to take up CA over non-forest land and the CA has been allowed over double degraded forest land. After examination this issue on the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 and guidelines, the detailed report may be submitted to this Ministry at the earliest so that the same could be deliberated in Forest Advisory Committee(FAC).

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma) 6.5

Assistant Inspector General of Forests(FC)

Copy to: -

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 3. The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Forests and Environment Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong-793003, Meghalaya.
- 4. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Forest Department, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong
- 5. User Agency.
- 6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 7. Guard File.

Sandeep Sharma)

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