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

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To **The Regional Officer,** Integrated Regional Office, Raipur.

Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Prakash Industries Pvt. Ltd. for non-forestry use of 515.581 ha (201.806 ha for Underground mining) of forest land for Coal mining in Bhaskarpara Coal block under Surajpur District of Chhattisgarh State (Online Proposal No. FP/CG/MIN/149564/2021)-regarding

Sir

I am directed to refer to Governmentof Chhattisgarh's letter no.10F (Cons) 110/2016/6193/F&E dated 13.03.2023, on the above subject seeking prior approval of Central Government under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. In this regard, it is informed that the above mentioned proposal was placed before Advisory Committee (AC) meeting held on 12.06.2023. The detailed minutes of the said AC meeting are uploaded at parivesh.nic.in. After going through the facts of the proposal and submissions made by the Nodal Officer, the Committee sought following clarification for further perusal of the instant proposal:

i. As in the part of Revenue Forest Land proposed to be diverted there are settlements of approximately 51 families and the user agency has given an undertaking that these families/people will also be resettled and will be included in part of R&R plan. The IRO Raipur, shall examine if the R&R Plan submitted includes these families or not and if there is any requirement of settlement of rights for these people. The report is to be submitted in two weeks time.

In view of above RO, Raipur is requested to examine the R&R plan submitted by the State Govt. and submit the report within two weeks of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur (CG).
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 3. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Jail Road, Aranya Bhavan, Raipur
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi