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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: As per E-sign

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Subject: Proposal for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Ranchi District, Jharkhand State—regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand letter No. Van Bhumi-06/2017/2046/V.P. dated 12.06.2025 on above subject submitting compliance report of the conditions stipulated in in-principle approval dated 27.02.2023 and to say that after examination of the compliance report the following shortfalls has been observed:

- i. In compliance of condition no. A (1) of Stage-I approval, the State Government has informed that the user Agency has revised the mining plan and excluded the 9.19 ha forest land which was earmarked for safety zone as per CCL Board approval. However, the copy of revised approved mining plan has not been submitted. The same needs submission along with the comparative analysis of the land use approved earlier and the land use proposed as per revised mining plan.
- ii. In compliance of condition no. A (4) of Stage-I approval, the State Government has informed that the user agency has deposited Rs. 12,13,69,882/- against NPV in account of NA, CAMPA. However, as per details available on web portal, it has been observed that the user agency has deposited Rs. 4,20,43,162/- against NPV. The State Govt. shall therefore provide the details of the remaining amount towards NPV deposited online in CAMPA account.
- iii. In compliance of condition no. A (8) of Stage-I approval, the State Government has not submitted the details (ID No.) of KML files of diverted area, the CA areas, the proposed SMC treatment area and the WLMP area uploaded on the e Green watch portal and same needs submission.
- iv. In compliance of condition no. B (2) of Stage-I approval, the State Government has informed that the Wildlife Management plan has been approved. However, a copy of the approved plan has not been submitted.

The detail of funds deposited by user agency in CAMPA account in this regard may also be submitted.

- v. In compliance of condition no. B (4) of Stage-I approval the User agency has submitted an undertaking, however, the undertaking is not in consonance with the condition. The State Govt. shall ensure that the user agency shall submit an undertaking as per the said condition.
- vi. In compliance of condition no. B (13) of Stage-I approval the State Government has not submitted copy of the approved Plan/Scheme w.r.t Mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of stream and same needs submission.
- vii. In compliance of condition no. B (14) of Stage-I approval, the State Government has not submitted a copy of approved Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to submit the information, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal.

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 Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Ranchi;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, Department of Forest, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.