

**F. No. 8-25/2009-FC**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**  
**(Forest Conservation Division)**

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**Dated: As per e-Sign**

To,

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

**Subject: Proposal for non-forestry use of 226.67 hectares of forest land in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) for Karo Opencast Coal Mining Project in District Bokaro (Jharkhand) - regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand's letter No.Van-Bhumi-02/2009-677/V.P. dated 29.02.2024 on the above mentioned subject regarding the change in the CA areas. The proposal was considered by the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 30.04.2024. The minutes of the meeting of the AC may kindly be seen at [www.parivesh.nic.in](http://www.parivesh.nic.in).

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government & on the basis of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee and with due approval of the Hon'ble Minister, Environment, Forest and Climate Change, the approval of the Central Government is hereby granted to change the CA sites on 100 ha out of 480 ha of earlier approved area and for raising the same on alternative degraded forest land sites identified in case of Karo Opencast Coal Mining project subject to following conditions:

- i. Compensatory Afforestation is crucial for maintaining ecological stability. Therefore, the balance CA must be carried out within stipulated time frame positively. This is required for maintaining a green and healthy environment in the State of Jharkhand
- ii. All measures to check soil erosion, siltation and also to maintain normal flow

in the water stream shall be taken.

In view of above, it is requested to comply with the conditions as indicated above. Further, the State Government shall abide by the all the conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval dated 24.12.2018.

Yours faithfully,

**Sd/-**

**(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Ranchi;
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