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 Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 80.59 ha forest land (15.549 ha Revenue forest land of Shahdol Range under South Shahdol Forest Division and 46.488 ha in RF-227 & PF-779 of Ghanghunti Range and 18.553 ha Revenue Forest Land under Umaria Forest Division) for Sahapur West Underground Coal Mine Project & surface use in favour of M/s Sarda Energy & Minerals Ltd. in Shahdol & Umaria Districts of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/151378/2022) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter no. F-1/839/2023/10-11/3139 dated 14.06.2024 of APCCF(LM) and Nodal Officer, Government of Madhya Pradesh on the above mentioned subject forwarding report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 12.02.2024 and inform that the following shortcoming have been observed in the reply:

- i. In compliance of condition no. iii of Stage-I approval, the details about the fund deposited by user agency in order to carry out chain link fencing and gap planting approximately in upto twenty percent of the gross area has not been submitted. The cost of the same shall be deposited by the User Agency in CAMPA account and work will be carried out by the State Forest Department.
- ii. In compliance of condition no. x of stage-I approval, the KML file of the Stage-I approved forest land for diversion has not been found uploaded on e-Green Watch portal.
- iii. The user agency has not submitted the undertaking specifically mentioning that "The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government" as required videcondition no. xix of Stage-I approval.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours sincerely,

-/-(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

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