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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 **Date: As per e-Sign**

To,

The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur.

Subject: Diversion of 0.20 ha Zudpi Jungle forest land under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for opencast mining for Bhatadi Expansion Mine Project by M/s Western Coalfield Limited, District Chandrapur in the State of Maharashtra (Online proposal No FP/MH/MIN/17443/2016) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra's letter No. FLD-3620/C.R.40/F-10 dated 02.02.2024 (received from the Regional Office, Nagpur in the Ministry through e-file on 09.07.2024) forwarding a fresh proposal on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

In this regard, in accordance to the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules,2023, Rule 10(4) the Regional Office, Nagpur shall conduct the site inspection of the subject cited proposal and submit the site inspection report to the Ministry for further necessary action.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by Suneet Bhardwaj

(**Suneet Bhardwaj**)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai;
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.