

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

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Jor Bag Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi – 110003
Dated: 21st September, 2023

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Madhya Pradesh,
Bhopal.

Subject: Proposal for diversion of 201.079 ha of forest land for Tawa -II underground coal mining in favour M/s Western Coal Fields Limited, Madhya Pradesh (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/24598/2017) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter no. F-1/692/2013/10-11/4063 dated 06.09.2023 of PCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh on the above mentioned subject forwarding report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval issued vide letter of even no. dated 14.05.2018 read along with letter of even no. dated 28.08.2023 and inform that the following shortcoming have been observed in the reply:

- i. As per condition no. (vii) of Stage-I approval it has been mentioned that *WCL should submit the compliance report of in principle approval granted by this Ministry's letter F. No. 8-102/2004-FC dated 30.01.2012, in favour of WCL for diversion of another parcel of 90.00 ha of forest land, after expiry of the Forest clearance in 2003 and deposit the compensatory levies of Rs. 25,54,627,66/- with interest of 12% per annum.* However the State Govt. has informed that an amount of Rs. 18,07,23,991/- has been deposited in CAMPA Account. This needs clarification along with detail report on basis of calculation.

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,

(Dr. Surabhi Rai)
Deputy Inspector General of Forests

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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 (FCA), 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.