## F. No. 8-12/2016-FC Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: September, 2016

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 570.10 ha forest land of mining lease area and 95.13 of forest land outside mining lease area for Bailadiala iron ore Deposit no. 4, Bacheli South Bastar, Distt. Dantewada, Chhattisgarh (Total Area is 665.230 ha).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. F-5-14/2016/10-2 dated 08.06.2016 s submitted a proposal for diversion of 570.10 ha forest land of mining lease area and 95.13 of forest land outside mining lease area for Bailadiala iron ore Deposit no. 4, Bacheli South Bastar, Distt. Dantewada, Chhattisgarh (Total Area is 665.230 ha) for seeking prior approval of the Central Govt. under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 2. The proposal of State Govt. was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 24.08.2016. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 24.08.2016 is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in. After thorough deliberation in the said FAC meeting, the FAC inter-alia recommended that:
  - (i) A Committee under the chairmanship of ADG (FC) and RO Nagpur as member will visit the site and submit its comments whether opening of new areas is necessary or reserve base already available in mining leases which have been already approved by the Central Government in the name of user agency will meet the demand of iron ore.
  - (ii) State government shall submit Complete compliance of FRA certificate as per the latest guidelines issued by the ministry
  - (iii) Land suitability certificate for CA land duly signed by DFO shall be submitted.

In view of above, I am directed to request the State Govt. of Chhattisgarh to submit the information as indicated in para 2(ii) and 2(iii) above to this Ministry for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandoan Charma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forest

## Copy for favour of information to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 2. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office Bhopal, MoEF
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the PCCF, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 4. The User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 6. Guard File.

Assistant Inspector General of Forest