F. No. 8-45/2007-FC

Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests (F.C. Division)

> Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi: 110003, Dated: 8^{1/4}September, 2016

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneshwar.

Sub: Diversion of 101.658 hectares of forest land for KJST, Iron Manganese & Bauxite Mines of Late S. N. Mohanty by his legal heir Sri Prabodh Mohanty in Sundargarh District, Orissa.-Refund of Money deposited by the Petitioner towards 50% of Net Present Value (NPV) pertaining to forest land surrendered in the mining lease

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government of Odisha's letter No. 10F (L)-13/2014/6924/F & E Bhubaneswar dated 28.04.2015 forwarded a copy of Writ Petition (C) No. 24646 of 2013 filed by Prabodh Mohanty Vrs. State of Odisha and Others regarding refund of money deposited by the Petitioner towards 50% of Net Present Value (NPV) pertaining to forest land surrendered in the mining lease and this Ministry's letter of even number dated 12.06.2008 on the above mentioned subject, whereby approval of the Central Government for grant of temporary working permission (TWP) in favour of Shri Probodh Mohnty over already broken forest area of 18.814 ha of forest land in their mining of Iron, Maganese and Bauxite Ore Mines in Bonai Forest Division of Sundargarh district of orrisa for a period of one year subject to fulfilment of the certain conditions was granted, and to convey the approval of competent authority for refund of Rs. 5, 16, 53, 705/- (Rupees five crores sixteen lakhs fifty three thousand seven hundred five only) in favour of Shri Prabodh Mohanty, which was 50% of total demanded amount of NPV of Rs. 10, 33, 07, 410/- pertaining to forest land proposed for surrender during 01st RML period to implement the order of Hon'ble High Court dated 17.09.2014

This issue with approval of the Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

Copy to:-

- 1. The PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar with a request to refund the said amount as deposited by the project proponent under intimation to this Ministry.
- 2. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar
- 4. The AIGF, Ad-hoc CAMPA, MoEF & CC is hereby requested to refund the said amount of compensatory levies as deposited by the project proponent under this project
- 5. User Agency
- 6. Forest Conservation Monitoring Cell, MoEF &CC, New Delhi
- 7. Guard File.

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)