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F. No. 8-67/2002- FC (pt.) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road New Delhi-110 003 Dated: 30th December, 2014

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

Sub:

To,

Renewal of the approval accorded under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 100 hectares of forest land for Jayant Project of the Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land Management) and Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter No. F-1/ 201/ 89/10-11/ 1962 dated 7th July 2013 on the above-mentioned subject, where-under a proposal for renewal of the approval accorded under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 100 hectares of forest land for Jayant Project of the Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL), was submitted to this Ministry, and to say that the said proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) constituted by the Central Government under section-3 of the afore-mentioned Act.

After examination of the said proposal and recommendations of the FAC thereon, in this Ministry, I am directed to say that the Government of Madhya Pradesh may kindly submit following information/ documents to this Ministry:

- An undertaking from the user agency that no part of the forest land proposed to be (i) diverted has been utilised for transportation of coal or overburdon or any other non-forest purpose since the expiry of the approval accorded under the FC Act on 20th March 2012;
- Documentary evidence in support of settlement of rights in accordance of the provisions (ii) of the Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 on the forest land proposed to be diverted in the format stipulated by the MoEFCC; and

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Documentary evidence in support of the claim of the user agency that entire area located within the mining lease has been acquired in accordance with the provisions of the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act, 1957.

Yours faithfully,

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(H.C. Chaudhary) Director

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

 The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office (Western Zone), Ministry of Environment & Forests, Bhopal.

3. Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

4. User agency.

5. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF.

6. Guard File.

(H.C. Chaudhary) Director