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

> Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj New Delhi: 1100 03, Dated: January, 2022

To **The Regional Officer,** Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 151.8517 ha. of forest land falling in Yellandu division for proposed JK OC project at Yellandu division in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited. -reg (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/49581/2020).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.3219/For.I (1)/2022 dated 06th June, 2022 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and to request the Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad of this Ministry to kindly inspect the forest land proposed for diversion and CA sites (both NFL and DFL) identified and submit a report to this Ministry, at the earliest.

2. Further, since the area sought in the instant proposal seems to have overlapping area/usage with the existing Mines and mining projects in the vicinity of the instant proposal the IRO is also requested to:

- i. Analyze the EC pertaining to JK5 mine regarding conditions laid down in the respective EC wrt the mined out areas or OBD areas and the provision for rehabilitation or greening the same if any. The updated status with respect to the mining closer plan of JK-5 may also be submitted along with the SIR. Further, the details of the area to be used for OBD of the instant proposal in the JK-5 mine may be analyzed/inspected since the OBD is proposed in OB dump area of JK-5 open cast mine.
- ii. Analyze the status and required compliance pertaining to the JK-5 and other mentioned mining projects w.r.t the instant proposal.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

- 1. The Spl. Chief Secretary (Forests), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Nodal Officer, (FCA) Forest Department, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF, New Delhi.