F. No. 8-03/2019-FC Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division) ****

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi: 110003,

Dated: JFebruary, 2019

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The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), A/3, Chandersekharpur, Regional Office (EZ), Bhubaneswar-751023

Sub: Diversion of 109.459 ha of forest land for Open Cast Mining Project at Gourangdih ABC coal mine in favour of WB Mineral Development and Trading Corporation under Durgapur Forest Division, West Bengal.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Govt. of West Bengal's letter No. 84-For/0/L/10T-01/2019 dated 14.01.2019 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 that the Regional Office, Bhubaneswar of this Ministry may kindly inspect the forest land proposed for diversion and submit a detailed report on the said proposal to this Ministry at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma) Assistant Inspector General of Forest (FC)

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forest), Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the PCCF, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC division for updation of website.
- 6. Guard file.