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

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Dated: 14th July, 2022

To,

The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

Sub: Proposal for proposal for assignment of forest land on lease under section 2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 involving forest area of 575.16 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited) (DCBL) for Kottameta Limestone mining in Katamateru village under Malkangiri Tahasil of Malakangiri District, Odisha –reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government of Odisha's letter No. FE-DIV-FLD-0048-2022-10644/FE&CC dated 17.06.2022 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section-2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to request that the Integrated Regional Office, Bhubaneswar to carryout inspection of the area proposed for assignment of lease and a report on various parameters including land use proposed in the Mining Plan and violations, if any, committed by the user agency, may be submitted to the Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Charan Jeet Singh)

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Copy to:

- 1. Principle Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
- 6. Guard File