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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

Jor Bagh Road, Aligani, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: October, 2023

To,

The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 229.348 ha forest land in compartment No. RF-272, 273 & 274 of Waidhan Range for the extension of Nigahi Open-cast Coal Mining Project by M/s Northern Coalfield Limited under Singrauli Forest Division, Singrauli District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/140863/2021) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter No. F-1/840/2023/10-11/2189 dated 26.05.2023 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, Bhopal of this Ministry shall carryout the inspection of the forest land proposed for diversion, sites identified for compensatory afforestation (CA) and submit a detailed site inspection report (SIR) to this Ministry for further necessary action.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Signed by Suneet Bhardwaj

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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Reason: Approved

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.