

Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)  
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**Dated: 7th July, 2022**

To  
The Regional Officer (Central)  
Integrated Regional Office  
Ranchi

**Sub: Proposal for non-forestry use of 331.198 ha of forest land for Pakribarwadih coal mining north east Project in favour of M/s NTPC Ltd. in Hazaribag West Forest Division in Hazaribag District of Jharkhand-reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Jharkhand's letter No. Van Bhumi-10/2021-1664/V.P. dated 14.06.2022 on the above mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and, in accordance with the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003, to request the Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi, to inspect the area proposed for diversion, area identified for raising compensatory afforestation and to assess the status of compliance of conditions stipulated in the approval dated 17.09.2010 granted for an area of 1026.438 ha for the same project. A detailed report (SIR) may be submitted to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

**(Charan Jeet Singh)**  
Scientist 'D'

**Copy to:**

1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
2. The PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
3. The Addl. PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File