

## भारत सरकार/Government of India पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय

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Date: 20th February 2023

To,

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Department of Forests,
Government of West Bengal,
Aranya Bhawan, Block-LA, 10-A, Sector – III,
Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 38.38 ha forest land in favour of Eastern Coal Field Limited (ECL) for Tilaboni UG Coal Mine Project under Durgapur Forest Division, West Bengal -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of West Bengal letter No.113-For/O/L/10T-14/2022 dated 20.01.2023 on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal has been examined by this office in accordance with Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the following information/documents are still required to upload in Parivesh portal for further processing of the project.

- i. Site specific CA scheme along with toposheet map, kml file and CA land suitability certificate from concerned DFO.
- ii. Cost Benefit Analysis is not complete. Under 'estimation of cost of forest diversion' the cost of CA is not included and Cost Benefit Ratio is not defined. Also, rate of NPV calculated by taking forest density 0.4 instead of 0.7, as mentioned by concerned DFO in Part-II. Corrected CBA needs to be submitted.
- iii. It may be clarified, whether CA over double degraded forest land as well as plantation of 1,30,000 plants both recommended by State Forest Department or not. Comments/ undertaking of User Agency in this regard need to be submitted

Therefore, it is requested that kindly upload the above mentioned information/documents in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. S. Hare Krishna Murti) Assistant Inspector General of Forest

## Copy to:-

1. The PCCF & HoFF, Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal, Aranya Bhawan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata, 700098.

2. The APPCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of West Bengal, Aranya Bhawan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata, 700098.

3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Durgapur Forest Division, West Bengal.

4. The GM (Env), ECL, Borachak House, Sitarampur, Burdwan-713359.

5. Guard file

Assistant Inspector General of Forest