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

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Dated: 14th March, 2022

To The Principal Secretary (Forests), Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 150.098 ha Forest land including 61.656 ha forest land in Forest Compartment No. RF-710, PF-730 A & PF-730 B of Parasiya Range of West Chhindwara Forest Division and 88.442 ha Revenue forest land under various Khasra's for Brahampuri Open Cast & underground Coal Mining Project in favour of M/s Birla Corporation Limited under Chhindwara District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/MIN/51637/2020) - reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer the APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-1/830/2021/10-11/776 dated 04.03.2022 on the above cited subject forwarding the required information. The examination of the said information has revealed that:

- i. The KML file of Safety zone has been submitted for 1.0 ha area only and the KML file for balance 1.0 ha as proposed for Infra-Plantation and green belt as mentioned in the component wise breakup in Part-1 has not been submitted.
- ii. As per the KML file provided by State Govt, the safety Zone is located in the middle of the Mining lease. In order to ensure the effectiveness of safety zone, it is requested that the Land Use Map/Plan showing details regarding area under Open Cast Mining, dumping and other ancillary activities in accordance with the component wise break up be submitted.
- iii. The complete detail regarding total quantity of muck/overburden dump volume to be generated has not been submitted. The same along with the Muck disposal plan is required to be submitted.
- iv. The copy of the approved Mine reclamation/Mine closure plan has not been submitted yet.
- v. The Mining Plan along with the approval letter is also required to be uploaded at the designated place. The comments on the relevance and the validity of the Mining plan after a gap of 14 years have also not been submitted so far.

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Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal. **Kindly provide complete information in one go so that repeated request may be avoided.**

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

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