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

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To,
The Special Chief Secretary (Forests),
EFS&T Dept.,
Government of Telangana,
Hyderabad.

Sub: Application for 02nd Renewal of Indaram Mining Lease over 929.29 ha. of forest land involving 15.16 ha for surface use in compartment No.s from 699 to 703, 706 to 709 and 711 to 713 in Indaram RF, Mancherial Range of Mancherial Forest division in Mancherial District in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited.-reg (Online proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/34878/2018).,

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.1398/For.I (1)/2021 dated 29.06.2021, 23.11.2021 and 04.02.2022 with respect to the above mentioned proposal seeking prior approval of Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. In this regard, it is informed that the matter was discussed in the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 31.03.2022. The detailed minutes of the said FAC meeting is uploaded in the parivesh.nic.in. After through deliberation, the FAC deferred the proposal and desired following information to be furnished:-

- i. Complete detail of mining leases covered within the approved forest area of 929.90 ha may be provided by the State along with the nature of mining operations i.e. opencast or underground.
- ii. Forest area overlapping in the underground and opencast mines needs to be worked out and forest area proposed for renewal in the extant proposal may accordingly be rationalized and submitted by the State along with supporting details.
- iii. Detail of NPV and CA, if any, realized from the user agency in the past by the State.
- iv. Detail of mining operations, if any carried out by the agency, in contravention to the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Rules and Guidelines made thereunder needs to be intimated by the State.
- v. Implications of the amendments affected in the MMDR Act, 1957 from time to

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time on the extant renewal proposal and relevant guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC needs to be examined and intimated.

In view of above, it is requested that the State Government may submit the information/documents as stated above to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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- 1. The PCCF & HoFF, Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office of MoEF&CC, Hyderabad.
- 4. The Monitoring Cell, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 5. User Agency.