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सेवामे',

आयुक्तऔरसचिव/ Commissioner & Secretary, मेघालय सरकार/ Government of Meghalaya, वनऔरपर्यावरणविभाग / Forests & Environment Department, शिलांग / Shillong.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 5.156 Ha of deemed forest land for shale – siltstone mining in respect of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Limited-reg.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above, I am to inform you that this instant proposal for diversion of 5.156 Ha of deemed forest land for shale – siltstone mining in respect of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Limited was discussed in the REC meeting held on 28.04.2023. The proposal was recommended by the Committee for sending to Ministry, New Delhi subject to submission of the following information:

- 1) Mitigation measures for the conservation of one species of bird called Dark Rumped Swift and preservation of Red Serow an endangered species present in the cliffs of Cherrapunji along with financial cost.
- 2) Proper/permanent signages for creating awareness for the preservation of endangered species of birds/animals present in the area.

Apart from the above, the REC also suggested that the State Forest Department to carry out studies on the bird population in the area, study of migration and breeding pattern etc. as a Community led Participatory Research project. Further, establishment of Interpretation Centre and Educational Signages at Thangkharang Park as suggested by State Nodal Officer may be done through the Lafarge SPV, if possible.

Above information at sl. No. (1) & (2) may be furnished at the earliest to this office for taking further necessary action.

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Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C)

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