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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003. Dated: 3rd June, 2022

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The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Sub: Proposal for non-forest use of 323.49 ha of forest land for Purandih OCP mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Chatra District, Jharkhand. – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. Van Bhumi-27/2016-992/V.P. dated 29.03.2022 on above subject submitted their reply to the observation of the Forest Advisory Committee in response to Ministry's letter dated 22.08.2019 and to say that the reply has been received from the State government after a gap of one year since closure of the proposal vide Ministry's letter dated 5.04.2021.

As per the guideline pertaining to the reopening of the proposals given under para 1.20 of the Handbook, there should be justification for reconsideration from the State Government and a valid reason for delay in submission and the same is required to be submitted with in 3 months from the date of rejection.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to furnish justification for reconsideration and a valid reason for delay in submission of the requisite information for further consideration of the proposal to revoke the closure of the proposal.

> Yours faithfully, sd/-(Charan Jeet Singh) Scientist 'D'

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi

- 2. The Regional Officer, Integrate Regional Office of the MoEF&CC at Ranchi
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
- 6. Guard File