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Dated, Bhubaneswar the 07th July' 2023

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests
Angul Circle

Sub: - Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Mahanadi Coalfield Ltd. for non-forestry use of 125.24 ha of forest land for Subhadra OCP Coal Mining under Angul Forest Division and District Angul of Odisha State

Ref: (i) Memo No. 2477/5F-FC-8/2023 dated 03.07.2023.
(ii) Lr. No.8-06/2023-FC dated 27.02.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, MoEF& CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

In inviting a reference to the above mentioned subject, the following shortcomings are noticed during check-up the compliance given by the DFO, Angul Division which has been duly recommended by you.


Observation (ii):- As per SIR submitted by DFO (Angul), Elephant movement has been recorded in and around the proposed area for diversion in the past years. Furthermore, it is also mentioned in the report that man-elephant conflict has increased in the area of Angul Division due to increased mining activities. The comments and recommendation of the Chief Wildlife Warden in this regard shall be submitted.

In compliance to the above observation, the comments and recommendations is to be obtained from the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Odisha. But strangely comments of DFO, Angul is furnished in **Annexure-I**.

Observation (iv):- The concerned DFO in his Site inspection report has mentioned that the Mine lease is bound by Singhada stream in the North and Ghurudia nala passes through the mine lease boundary. Singhada jhor stream particularly has large catchment area. The State Govt. shall examine the matter and submit the detail safeguards proposed/plan to prevent adverse impact of mining on the water bodies.

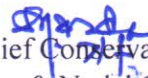
In compliance to the above observation, the DFO, Angul may be requested to submit the detail plan and estimate of stream conservation, SMC & other measures to present adverse impact of mining on water bodies duly approved by you. User agency to undertake to pay the same on approval of Stage-II is to be submitted.

In view of the above observations, you are requested to furnish the compliance to the shortcomings at an early date for taking necessary action at this end.


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act


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Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Angul Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.2479 dated 03.07.2023 of RCCF, Angul Circle.


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Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 13671 /Dt. 07.07.2023

Copy forwarded to the General Manager, Subhadra Area (MCL), for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.2480 dated 03.07.2023 of RCCF, Angul Circle.


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