To

The Secretary (Forests),
Government of Bihar,
PATNA

Sub:- Diversion of 130 ha. of forest land for coal mine in favour of C.C.I. for K.D. Hesalong Project in Ranchi District.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.Van/Phu/ha/Mine 59/91-178-E dated 12.2.92 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, the Central Government hereby conveys its approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 101.41 ha. of forest land for coal mine in favour of C.C.I. for K.D. Hesalong Project in Ranchi District for a period of 10 years, subject to fulfilment of following conditions:

(i) The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.

(ii) The compensatory afforestation shall be raised over equivalent non-forest land at project cost. The non-forest land identified for compensatory afforestation will be notified as protected forest under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 and transfer of title of the same in favour of Forest Department in revenue records will be done within a period of six months.

(iii) Fencing, protection and regeneration of the safety zone area shall be carried out at the project cost. Further enrichment plantation over degraded forest land equivalent in extent to one and a half times of safety zone area will be carried out at the project cost.

(iv) Mined over area is to be reclaimed/restored after mining/quarrying is over as per the reclamation plan.

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(v) Rehabilitation of the oustees shall be done as per the scheme and no forest land will be utilised for this purpose.

(vi) Free fuelwood/alternate energy source will be provided to labourers working at project site.

(vii) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

(viii) This approval is subject to environmental clearance.

(ix) Any other condition that the State Government may impose from time to time.

Yours faithfully,

(A.N. SHARAN)
ASSTT. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF FORESTS

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2. Nodal Officer, Office of PCCF, Govt. of Bihar, Ranchi.
3. The CCF (Central), Regional Office, Dhubaneswar.
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