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

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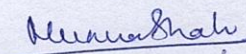
The General Manager (Environment),
M/s Western Coalfields Ltd.,
Coal Estate, 9th Floor, Civil Lines,
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Sub: Pauni Opencast Coal Mining Project of 0.90 MTPA in an ML area from 255.0 ha to 239.58 ha i.e reduction of 15.42 ha of M/s Western Coalfield Limited located at District Chandrapur (Maharashtra) - For Amendment in Environmental Clearance - reg.

Sir,

This has reference to your online proposal No. IA/MH/CMIN/293612/2022 dated 3rd November, 2022 on the above mentioned subject.

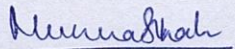
2. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has granted Environmental Clearance vide letter dated 24th December, 2014 in favour of Pauni Opencast Coal Mining Project of 0.90 MTPA in an ML area of 255 ha M/s Western Coalfield Limited located at District Chandrapur (Maharashtra).
3. Now PP has requested for amendment in existing EC regarding decrease in the Mine lease area from 255.0 ha to 239.58 ha that is reduction of 15.42 ha of land based on the approved mining plan for 1296.42 ha of Gauri-Pauni expansion OC Phase – I since the said area is proposed to be used in Pauni II Expansion project in future. Further, Mining Plan (with built-in Mine Closure Plan) for Gauri Pauni Expansion OC Phase – I have been approved by competent authority (i.e. WCL Board) for production capacity 3.5 MTPA within land area of 1296.42 ha (1291.42 ha Mining lease and 5 ha for resettlement of Pauni Village) in its 345th meeting held on 19.09.2022 and communicated vide resolution no. WCL/Office of CS/BM-345/2022-23/454 dated 20.09.2022.
4. The Expert Appraisal Committee in its 37th EAC meeting held on 17-18 November, 2022 through Video Conferencing has recommended the project for grant of Environment Clearance (EC). Based on recommendations of the EAC, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby accords approval for Amendment in Environment Clearance (EC) dated 24th December, 2014 of Pauni Opencast coal mine to reduce the Mine lease area from 255.0 ha to 239.58 ha i.e reduction of 15.42 ha of land for the correction of records and for the requirement of



the approved mining plan for 1296.42 ha of Gauri-Pauni expansion OC Phase – I of M/s Western coalfield Limited, located at District Chandrapur, Maharashtra, under the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments/circulars thereto subject to the compliance of the following terms & conditions / specific conditions therein.

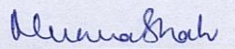
5. All other terms and conditions stipulated in the environmental clearance dated 24th December, 2014, shall remain unchanged.

This issues with the approval of the competent Authority


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2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Government of Maharashtra, 15thFloor, New Admn. Bldg, Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 32 (Maharashtra)
3. The Additional PCCF (Central), Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Regional Office (Western Central Zone), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur-1 (Maharashtra)
4. The Chairman, Central Ground Water Authority, Jamnagar House, 18/11, Man Singh Road Area, New Delhi, Delhi 110001
5. The Chairman, Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board, Kalapataru Point, 3rd & 4thFloors, Sion, Matunga Scheme Road No. 8, Opp. Cine Planet Cinema, Near Sion Circle, Sion (E), Mumbai - 2
6. The District Collector, Chandrapur, Government of Maharashtra
7. Monitoring File 9. PARIVESH


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