



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

To,

The GM (Mining) Environment  
Western Coalfields Limited

**Subject:** Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project Activity under the provision of EIA Notification 2006-regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application for Environmental Clearance (EC) in respect of project submitted to the Ministry vide proposal number IA/MH/CMIN/272284/2022 dated 12 May 2022. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

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| 1. EC Identification No.                   | <b>EC22A042MH147827</b>   |
| 2. File No.                                | J-11015/67/2006-IA-II(M)  |
| 3. Project Type                            | Expansion7  |
| 4. Category                                | A   |
| 5. Project/Activity including Schedule No. | 1(a) Mining of minerals   |
| 6. Name of Project                         | Expansion of Singhori opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 1.12 MTPA to 1.20 in land area of 423.91 Ha (within the already sanctioned EC ML area of 425.04 Ha) located in the village Singhori, tehsil Parseoni, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) in-line with MoEF & CC's Office Memorandum vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III (E 177258) dated 11.04.2022 & 07.05.2022 and as per EIA Notification, 2006 |
| 7. Name of Company/Organization            | Western Coalfields Limited  |
| 8. Location of Project                     | Maharashtra   |
| 9. TOR Date                                | N/A   |

The project details along with terms and conditions are appended herewith from page no 2 onwards.

**(e-signed)**  
**Lalit Bokolia**  
**Scientist F**  
**IA - (Coal Mining sector)**

Date: 25/05/2022

*Note: A valid environmental clearance shall be one that has EC identification number & E-Sign generated from PARIVESH. Please quote identification number in all future correspondence.*

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**F. No. J-11015/67/2006-IA.II (M) Pt.**  
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To

**Dated: 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022**

The General Manager (Environment),  
M/s Western Coalfields Ltd,  
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**Sub: Expansion of Singhori opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 1.12 MTPA to 1.20 MTPA ( increase of 10% to original EC i.e 0.8 MTPA ) of in land area of 423.91 Ha (within the already sanctioned EC ML area of 425.04 Ha) by M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the village Singhori, Tehsil Parseoni, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) - Environmental Clearance under OM no. F. No. I A3-22/10/2022-IA.III 07.05.2022 ( availing 50% relaxation in original EC capacity under clause 7(ii) of EIA, Notification with exemption of public hearing) reg.**

Sir,

This has reference to your online proposal No. IA/MH/CMIN/272284/2022 dated 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 submitted to this Ministry for grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) in terms of the provisions with MoEF & CC's Office Memorandum vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III (E 177258) dated 07.05.2022 and as per EIA Notification, 2006) of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for Expansion of Singhori opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 1.12 MTPA to 1.20 MTPA in land area of 423.91 Ha (within the already sanctioned EC ML area of 425.04 Ha) By M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the village Singhori, tehsil Parseoni, District Nagpur (Maharashtra).

2. Earlier, the instant project was granted Environment Clearance for production capacity of 0.8 MTPA in ML area of 428 Ha dated 17.05.2007. Further EC was granted for expansion on 29.08.2019 under Clause 7 (ii) of EIA notification, 2006 as per the O. M. dated 15.09.2017 for 40 % Expansion i.e. upto 1.12 MTPA production capacity in ML area of 425.04 Ha.

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3. Presently, the proposal is considered by the Ministry at central level in view of the exigency, as per the provisions of O.M. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III dated 07.05.2022 for further additional 10% increase in capacity within same mine lease area i.e. 425.04 Ha.

4. Based on the submission of Project Proponent, Ministry hereby grants approval to Expansion of Singhori opencast coal mining project for increase in production capacity from 1.12 MTPA to 1.20 MTPA in land area of 423.91 Ha (within the already sanctioned EC ML area of 425.04 Ha) by M/s Western Coalfields Ltd, located in the village Singhori, Tehsil Parseoni, District Nagpur (Maharashtra) under the provisions of OM vide no. F. No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III dated 07.05.2022, under the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments/circulars thereto subject to the compliance of the following terms & conditions / specific conditions for environmental safeguards as stated below:-

- i. PP shall submit Certified Compliance Report of the EC vide No. J-11015/67/2006-IA.II (M) Pt. dated 29 August, 2019 granted for 40% expansion, along with EIA/EMP report, prepared based on standard ToRs for the additional capacity of 10% on PARIVESH portal within six months of enhancement of production beyond 40%.
- ii. In view of above (i), Ministry shall ascertain the adequacy of the proposed environmental safeguards and stipulate necessary conditions, if required, which shall be monitored as a part of the EC compliance monitoring.
- iii. PP shall obtain necessary prior consent for enhanced capacity from State Pollution Control Board under Air and Water Act.
- iv. Environmental quality parameters arising out of proposed expansion shall be within the prescribed norms and the same shall be maintained as per prescribed norms.
- v. Hon'ble Supreme Court in an Writ Petition(s) Civil No. 114/2014, Common Cause vs Union of India & Ors vide its judgement dated 8th January, 2020 has directed the Union of India to impose a condition in the mining lease and a similar condition in the environmental clearance and the mining plan to the effect that the mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc. Compliance of this condition after the mining activity is over at the cost of the mining lease holders/Project Proponent".
- vi. All other terms and conditions as prescribed in Ministry's letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2007 and 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2019 shall remain the same and need to be complied by PP.

This issues with the approval of the competent Authority

  
(Lalit Bokolia)  
Director

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Government of Maharashtra, 15th Floor, New Admn. Bldg, Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 32 (Maharashtra)



3. The Additional PCCF (Central), MoEF&CC, Regional Office (Western Central Zone), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur-1 (Maharashtra)
4. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board, Kalapataru Point, & 4th Floors, Sion Circle, Sion (E), Mumbai - 2
5. The Chairman, Central Ground Water Authority, Jamnagar House, 18/11, Man Singh Road Area, New Delhi, Delhi 110001
6. The District Collector, Nagpur, Government of Maharashtra
7. Monitoring File /Record File / PARIVESH Portal

  
(Lalit Bokolia)