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

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**Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2016**

To

1. The Principal Secretary (Forests)  
State Governments of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal.
2. The Chairman & Managing Director  
Coal India Limited,
3. Northern Coalfield Limited,  
Singrauli, (M.P.) India, 486889.

**Sub: Review of the status of progress of reclamation of mined out areas by Northern Coalfield Limited, Coal India Limited (CIL) - Presentation on reclamation of minedout areas of CIL companies – regarding.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> November and D.O. letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the subject mentioned above and to inform that **status of progress of reclamation of mined out areas by the various subsidiaries of the Coal India Limited** including Northern Coalfield Limited was reviewed by the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 and the Committee inter-alia observed that the presentation made by CIL was only indicative in nature and does not provide the complete status of the reclamation carried out in each mining leases of the subsidiary coal companies of the CIL. Therefore, the Committee, after taking note of the progress of reclamation as reported during the meeting, examination of the available information and detailed discussion thereon held with the representative of the CIL decided as under:

1. Northern Coalfield Limited will furnish the details of reclamation carried out by them for each of the mines under their control. The information should be provided in format containing the complete details of mining operations and reclamation works viz. year of commencement of mining operations, area broken up so far, prescriptions contained in the Progressive Mine Closure Plan (PMCP) regarding reclamation/ biological reclamation of the mine, present status of reclamation vis-à-vis prescription in PMCP, deviation from the prescription if any, reasons for deviation and total land reclaimed biologically etc.



2. After compilation of necessary details regarding reclamation, as prescribed under para (ii) above, the same will be submitted to the Ministry. Northern Coalfield Limited will make a detailed presentation on status of reclamation in respect of every mine under their control before FAC in its forthcoming meeting going to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

**(Rajagopal Prashant)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- i. The PCCFs, State Government of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal.
- ii. The Nodal Officers (FCA), O/o the PCCF, State Governments of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal.
- iii. The Adviser, Environment and Forests, Coal India Limited, 5th Floor, Core-I & II, Scope Minar, Laxmi Nagar District Centre, Laxmi Nagar, New Delhi- 110092.
- iv. Sr. PPS to Secretary, E&F/Sr. PPS to DGF&SS/PS to ADGF(FC)/PS to IGF(FC).
- v. All concerned coal or non-coal mining companies in the States of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal.
- vi. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- vii. Guard File.

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