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Dated: 16th September, 2021

To,

The Chief General Manager (CP&P) M/s Mahanadi Coalfields Limited PO - JagrutiVihar, Burla, Sambalpur-768 020 (Odisha)

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Sub: Nandira Underground Coal Mining Project of 0.33 MTPA in ML area 474 ha of M/s Mahanadi Coalfield Limited located in villages Jambubahali, Danara, Badajorada and Natedi, Tehsil Thalcher, District Angul (Odisha) – Amendment in Environment clearance - reg.

Sir,

This has reference to your online proposal No. IA/OR/CMIN/220341/2021 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021, submitted to this Ministry in terms of the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for Nandira Underground Coal Mining Project of 0.33 MTPA in ML area 474 ha of M/s Mahanadi Coalfield Limited located in villages Jambubahali, Danara, Badajorada and Natedi, Tehsil Thalcher, District Angul (Odisha).

The project/activity is covered under category 'A' of item 1 (a) 'Mining of Minerals' the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006

**2.** Project proponent has submitted the following details of configuration for which amendment in revalidated EC dated 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 has been requested:

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| S.<br>No | Reference of<br>Approved EC         | Description as per<br>Approved EC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Amendment<br>sought per<br>Proposal.              | Remarks                                            |
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| 1        | Correction in the Mine lease area   | 474 Ha                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | To be corrected as 370 Ha                         | No Change in<br>Overall Production<br>and Capacity |
| 2        | Additional specific condition 4(i)  | Construction of Sewage Treatment Plant (latest technology SBR/ MBBR/ MBR) should be completed by July 2021 and treated water shall be reused for plantation. As documentary proof, STP photograph after its commission to be submitted to RO, MOEF&CC with copies of its CTE and CTO. | Time extension kindly be granted till April 2022. | There is no change in configuration                |
| 3        | Additional specific condition 4(ii) | Grant of CTO to the project shall be subject to fulfilment of condition No.1.                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Time extension kindly be granted till April 2022. | There is no change in configuration                |

It was informed that COVID-19 pandemic being the major hurdle while executing each and every work of Construction of STP including all sewer lines, collection tank, pumping arrangement especially for an existing old colony like Nandira Colony is a challenging & time consuming process. Due to force majeure COVID-19 condition, it was difficult to mobilize resources to place up the work. The work has been awarded to M/s. Ecologics India Private Limited for the value of Rs.2.42 Crores on Dt: 01.06.2021. The work order had been cancelled due to non-submission of Bank guarantee/Performance Security Deposit. Retendering done on 16.07.2021 and technical bid opening is expected by first week of August, 2021.

3. The Expert Appraisal Committee in its 17<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 9-10 August, 2021 has recommended the project for grant of amendment in Environment Clearance (EC). Based on recommendations of the EAC, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby accords approval for amendment in environmental clearance (EC) dated 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2007 and revalidated EC dated 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 to comply the said condition at 4(i) and (ii) by April, 2022 and correcting the typo error of mining lease area from 474 ha to 370 ha to the Nandira Underground Coal mine project of 0.33 MTPA in ML area of 370 Ha (earlier 474 ha) by M/s Mahanadi Coalfield Ltd (MCL), located in villages Jambhbahali, Danara, Badajorada and Natedi, Tehsil Talchar, District Angul (Odisha),as per EIA Notification, 2006 and its amendments therein. All other conditions stipulated in EC dated 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2007 and 15<sup>th</sup>

November, 2020 shall remain unchanged.

**4.** This issues with approval of the Competent Authority.

(Lalit Bokolia) Director

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- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional office (EZ), Ministry of Environment & Forests, A-31, Chandershekharpur, Bhubaneswar- 751023 (Odisha).
- 3. The Secretary, Department of Environment & Forests, Government of Orissa, Secretariat, Bhubaneswar (Odisha).
- 4. The Chairman, Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Jamnagar House, 18/11, Man Singh Road Area, New Delhi, Delhi 110001
- 5. The Chairman, Orissa State Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilkanthanagar, Unit VIII, Bhubaneshwar 751012 (Odisha).
- 6. District Collector, Angul, Government of Odisha.
- 7. Monitoring File /Record File
- 8. PARIVESH Portal

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