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No. BO/MPCB/JD (APC)/ EIC No.CH-1175-13/Refusal/TB-1/B-954 Date 28/6/2013.

To,

M/s. Western Coal Fields Limited,
Naigaon Open Cast Mine,
Bellora Naigaon Deep Open Cast Expansion Project,
Naigaon Sub Area, WCL Wani Area,
Village-Bellora, Tal-Wani, Dist-Yavatmal.

Sub : Refusal of Consent to Establish for expansion project of the coal mine from 0.8 million ton per annum (mtpa) to 1.5 mtpa- under Section 27 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling & Transboundry Movement) Rules 2008.

Ref : 1. SRO Chandrapur consent processing report No.C-331/2012 dated 31.12.2012.
2. Consent Appraisal Committee (CAC) meeting held on 22.03.2013.
3. Show cause notice issued by Board vide No. BO/MPCB/JD (APC)/ EIC No.CH-1175-13/SCN/TB-1/B-1850 dated 10.04.2013.
4. Your reply of SCN dated 19.04.2013.
5. SRO Chandrapur report No.MPC/SROC/923/2013 dated 6.5.2013.
6. CAC meeting held on 12.06.2013.

WHEREAS, Board has granted Consent to Operate for the existing mine under Section 26 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974; under Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Hazardous Wastes (Management Handling & Transboundry Movement) Rules, 2008 to your unit stipulating conditions to be adhered to by the industry.

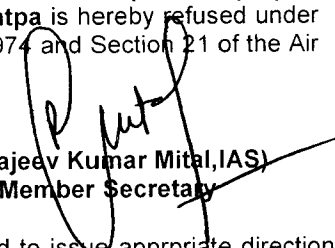
AND WHEREAS, You have applied for consent to operate for expansion project of the coal mine from 0.8 million ton per annum (mtpa) to 1.25 mtpa. AND WHEREAS your case was discussed in CAC held on 22.03.2013 & not approved consent to establish for expansion. AND WHEREAS In CAC meeting held on 22.03.2013, it was decided to issue show cause notice for refusal of consent to establish for expansion for not satisfying the RRZ Policy.

AND WHEREAS, Board has issued show cause notice for refusal of consent as per the decision taken in CAC dated 22.03.2013 vide letter under reference 3. AND WHEREAS the reply of SCN submitted by you vide letter dated 19.4.2013 is not satisfactory.

AND WHEREAS, your case was again discussed in CAC meeting held on 12.06.2013 & not approved consent to establish for expansion. AND WHEREAS In CAC meeting held on 12.06.2013, it was decided to issue refusal of consent to establish for expansion as it is not satisfying the RRZ Policy 2009.

AND WHEREAS, you have violated the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, & Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

In view of the above, your application for **Consent to Establish for expansion project of the coal mine from 0.8 million ton per annum (mtpa) to 1.5 mtpa** is hereby refused under Section 27 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.


(Rajeev Kumar Mital, IAS)
Member Secretary

Copy to-

1. **Regional Officer, MPCB, Chandrapur-** You are hereby directed to issue appropriate directions to the industry & submit the action taken report within 7 days..
2. **Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Chandrapur-** He is directed to serve the copies of refusal and ensure the compliance and report urgently.