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SM/Env-Coal-Birbhum Meeting/Invtn/113

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To  
Respected .....

**Sub : Invitation for the meeting on Deocha Panchami to be held on 26 March 2022 at  
Lions' Club, Deshpriya Park (West Gate) from 3 PM to 6 PM**

Dear .....,

You are perhaps aware that a new coal mining project has been proposed in Deocha-Panchami-Dewanganj-Harinsinga region in Mahammadbazar Block of Birbhum District. Government of West Bengal has entrusted the responsibility of implementation to the West Bengal Power Development Corporation Ltd (WBPDC). This is going to be the world's second largest coal mine. Land acquisition has started and packages for compensation have been declared. But any Detailed Project Report or Environment Impact Assessment has not been prepared. Any public hearing has also not taken place. Any detailed information about the project is not available in the public domain.

Being concerned regarding the environmental fall out of such a project, we, on behalf of Sabuj Mancha issued a letter to the Chief Minister on 14 Feb 2022, asking for the details of possible environment impact of the project. Unfortunately any reply has not been received. Even receipt of the letter has not been acknowledged.

Under these circumstances, we are going to organize a meeting of the environmental activists, environment lovers and experts to discuss various environmental issues related to the project and possible action to be taken. We sincerely invite you to attend and actively take part in the meeting.

Thanking you,

Naba Dutta,  
General Secretary  
Sabuj Mancha