

## **SHORT NOTE ON ZUDPI JUNGLE PROPOSAL**

Tahsil – Nagpur City

District – Nagpur

**Category of Proposal :- II – Encroachment ( excluding commercial purpose) prior to 12/12/1996 using simplifie procedure .**

**Area involved in this proposal 104.90 HR. of Nagpur City Tahsil in Nagpur District, Maharashtra.**

- 1) The word 'Zudpi Jungle' is in use in Vidarbha area since the settlement of 1911-12. That the word "Shrub Jungle" is defined in Central Provinces Grazing & Nistar Act, 1948, it covers the lands having trees of 4 year or lesser and land covered by shrubs. The settlement of 1911-12 in Nagpur district classified forests as they existed during the settlement as 'Big Tree Forests' and 'Small Tree Forests', land covered with scrubs was described as 'Zudpi Jungle'. The entry therefore actually meant land on which only scrubs grew. These lands are of murmadi soil where growth of large trees is not possible. Therefore these lands are commonly known as 'Zudpi Jungle'.
- 2) The growth in urban areas of Nagpur district is hampered by existence of these patches of Zudpi Jungle to which provisions of Forest Conservation Act 1980 are applicable. So in response to the proposal from Government of Maharashtra, the Government of India granted permission to submit proposal for diverting Zudpi Jungle for public purpose under simplified procedure under the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 vide Government of India MoEF (FC Division) communication No. R.No.8-33/2-1-FC, decision of 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014 .As per clause 2 of the said communication the Ministry is empowered to accept submission of category wise proposal for diversion of Zudpi Jungle lands. It is further stated in the communication that the user agency may be SDO in part-I but the details of Zudpi land should be provided for different villages and Khasra wise separately along with the digital maps. The proposals submitted by the State Government will be examined by the Ministry as per procedure laid in the Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003. It is further stated that



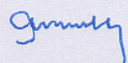
legal status of Zudpi Jungle lands for diversion shall remain the same the State Government shall not use the Zudpi Jungle land for the purpose other than specified in the diversion proposal.

3) As per the directives of the Government for using simplified procedure for submission of diversion proposal for 'Zudpi Jungle' under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 an area of 104.90 HR Zudpi Jungle under encroachment for residential purpose in Nagpur City Tehsil, District Nagpur is being submitted herewith.

4) Nagpur city is spread over an area of 217 sq.km. with population of 2,405,665 as per 2011 census and is the 13<sup>th</sup> largest urban agglomeration in India and third largest city of Maharashtra. The density of population in the city is 21,235/sq km. With the increase of population pressure and 100 % urbanization has led to use of land categorized as 'Zudpi Jungle' for residential and other public purposes. As these lands are situated amidst thickly populated areas of the city, many lands were encroached by people from low socio-economic strata for residential purpose. The local authority, Nagpur Municipal Corporation, has notified many slums situated on 'Zudpi Jungle' lands and provided protection of law to the slum-dwellers. The planning authority has also provided socio-economic infrastructure in the slums. These slums are proposed to be regularized/rehabilitated as per the Government's policy of 'Housing for All'.

5) The proposal for Nagpur City Tahsil under 'Category II Encroachment (excluding commercial purpose) prior to 12/12/1996 using simplified procedure' has been prepared for 90 survey numbers in 32 villages which were jointly inspected by Forest and Revenue authorities. The encroachments are prior to 1996 and excludes encroachments for commercial purposes. The proposal is being submitted along with the required documents, Joint Site Inspection Reports and modified certificate under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 are enclosed with the proposal.

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