

PART-IV

(To be filled in by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest department)

17. Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with remarks.

(While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).

The Castlerock-Kulem Railway Doubling Project is part of Hospet-Tinaighat-Castlerock-Kulem-Vasco-Da-Gama Railway Doubling Project. Diversion of 120.875 Ha forest area is required for doubling the railway track from 30.08 km to 50.00 km. The proposal is recommended for diversion of forest land in view of the following,

- (a) this is an important infrastructure development project for improving the rail connectivity in the region,
- (b) the project is in larger public interest,
- (c) there is no alternative route possible, this being a doubling of existing railway line and any alternative route will involve more forest land.

Signature:

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(Official Seal):



Date: - 25.07.2019

Place:- Panjim.