

PART-II

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

State serial No. of proposal-FP/OR/ROAD/24155/2017

7. Location of the project/ Scheme :- Proposal for diversion of 4.746 ha. forest land for construction and maintenance of rural roads under Mukshya Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana from Khadibahali Chhowk to Palabani - (State Serial No. FP/OR/ROAD/24155/2017)
- (i) State/Union Territory :- Odisha
- (ii) District :- Keonjhar
- (iii) Forest Division :- Keonjhar Wildlife Division, Anandapur, Keonjhar.
- (iv) Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.) :- 4.746 ha.
- (v) Legal status of forest :-
- | <u>RF</u> | <u>Revenue & Un-classed Forest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
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| 2.419 ha. | 2.327 ha. | 4.746 ha. |
- The area proposed for diversion forms part of Sagadapata-Kanto Forest road. The Sagadapata-Kanto forest road passes through Atei Reserve Forest as well as over Revenue plots, however; as the road enjoys the status of a forest road, the Revenue land involved in the road have been maintained as "unclassified forest" in the Forest Department records. Thus the entire road project has been treated to be forest land under provisions of FC Act.'1980.
- (vi) Density of vegetation :- 0.0
- (vii) Species-wise (scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/ hydel projects enumeration at FR1, FRL- 2 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed). :- Not applicable.
- (viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion. :- The proposed area is not vulnerable to erosion and does not form a part of severely eroded area.
- (ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of Forests. :- This is a road project by RW Division, Anandapur within Atei RF under the jurisdiction of Keonjhar Wildlife Division, Anandapur.
- (x) Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor etc (if so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be announced). :- Does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Bio-sphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve etc.

- (xi) Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area-if so details thereof. : - Elephant, Pangolin, Python, Ratel, Sloth bear etc.
- (xii) Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required. : - Nil
8. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in c.1.2 of part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project, if no; recommended Minimum area applied area item-wise with details of alternatives examined. : - The requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for construction of road from Khadibahali Chhak to Palabani.
9. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out(Yes/no).If yes, details of the including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress. : - Work has not been started. Hence, no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act.'1980 have been observed.
10. Details of compensatory afforestation scheme. : - Not applicable.
- (i) Details of non forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch. : - Not applicable
- (ii) Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation adjoining forest boundaries. : - Not applicable
- (iii) Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted: implementing agency, time schedule; cost structure, etc. : - Not applicable
- (iv) Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme. : - Not applicable

- (v) Certificates from the competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory Afforestation and from management point of view. (to be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests). :- Not applicable
11. Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col.7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above :- Site inspection Report in the prescribed format is enclosed with Part-II Form in the diversion proposal.
12. Division/ District profiles: :- Keonjhar Wildlife Division, Anandapur/ Keonjhar District.
- (i) Geographical area of the district :- 8303 Sq. Km.
- (ii) Forest area of the District :- 3097.00 Sq. Km.
- (iii) Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases :- 547.7973 ha./ 8 cases of Keonjhar Wildlife Division, Anandapur.
- (iv) Total Compensatory Afforestation stipulated in the district/ division since 1980 on :-
- (e) Forest land including penal Comp. Affn. 830.4792 ha. (for Keonjhar Wildlife Division, Anandapur.)
- (f) Non-forest land
- (v) Progress of Compensatory Afforestation as on (date) on :-
- (e) Forest land 191.20 ha.
- (f) Non-forest land 136.6076 ha.
- (vi) Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons :- The proposal may be considered on its own merit subject to the stipulations of MoEF guideline dated 29th April'2005 under the following circumstances;
- 1) No tree felling should be allowed.
 - 2) No widening of roads should be undertaken without prior permission of the Central Government under FC Act.'1980.
 - 3) No breaking of fresh forest land is carried out.
 - 4) The User Agency has claimed that environmental clearance is not required for this project.
 - 5) While black-topping, adequate precaution should be taken by the User Agency to avoid any damage to flora & fauna.
 - 6) For such up-gradation in protected areas like National Park/ Sanctuaries, prior permission of National Board of Wildlife and the Supreme Court shall be taken by the State/ UT Government.
 - 7) Plantation activities are taken up along the road at the cost of User Agency, if the concerned Divisional Forest Officer finds it necessary. In this regard, it is stipulated that, the User Agency shall provide funds

to F&E Deptt., Govt. of Odisha to carry out 19 km. length of Avenue plantation along both side of the road proposed for diversion.

8) Fire for melting of coal tar and mixing, shall be lit at a safe distance from the trees/ vegetation, which shall be decided by the concerned DFO. For such constructions, it is better to avoid dry/ hot windy seasons. For this purpose, fuelwood shall be purchased by the implementing agency in advance from the depot of State Forest Development Corporation.

9) No crushing/ breaking of stones shall be allowed inside forest areas. Readymade materials shall be used for up-gradation of such roads.

10) Both sides of the upgraded roads shall be reinforced with brick/ stone works and vegetative measures to check soil erosion, at the project cost, in consultation with the DFO.

11) No labour camp shall be established on the forest lands.

12) No work shall be allowed after sunset.

13) Any other condition that the DFO may impose from time to time for the protection and improvement of flora & fauna in the forest area shall be applicable.

14) Any damage to forest area due to such up-gradation works shall be compensated by the implementing agency for the project cost. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the concerned DFO.

15) State Forest Department shall establish permanent check posts on strategic locations on such roads which are already up-graded/ under up-gradation.

Date: - 27.02.2017
Place: -Anandapur



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