Site Inspection Report of the Divisional Forest Officer, Vaishali Forest Division, Hajipur.

For improvement of NH- 122 B to two Lane with paved shoulder, Jadhua (Hajipur)-Bachhwara section, design chainage from km 0.000 to km 72.950 in district vaishali, Samastipur & Begusarai, a proposal for diversion of 97.3934 ha out of which 35.7263 ha Forest land in Vaishali district has been submitted by Executive Engineer, NH Division Biharsharif, under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. I have inspected the site on dated 06/10/2022 with Range officer of Forest, Hajipur and NH Division Biharsharif officials. As per the proposal, improvement to two Lane with paved shoulder of NH- 122 B, Jadhua (Hajipur)-Bachhwara section, design chainage from km 0.000 to km 72.950 out of which km 0.000 to km 34.900 falls in district-Vaishali. For this work 35.7263 ha. of road side protected forest land will be diverted in Vaishali district and a total no.s of 3753 trees will be affected. In the proposed project the concerned agency has submitted a proposal for felling of 3020 no. of trees (more than 60cm girth) and translocation of 733 no. of trees (under 60cm girth) out of 3753 trees, for the said purpose. The species wise details of trees/plants enumeration list are being attached. It should be noted that NH Division Biharsharif has proposed nos 733. trees for translocation within PROW after In-principal approval. During inspection no endangered/unique species of flora and fauna has been found, also no protected archaeological / heritage site / defense establishment is located near the site.

Jadhua (Hajipur)-Bachhwara section is an important road; the forest area for diversion is barest minimum & no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 seen at the site.

The diversion of forest land May be recommended for the proposed site.

Divisional Forest Officer

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