

## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS, ASSAM OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER: NAGAON DIVISION NAGAON

## SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER

(FOR THE FOREST LAND PROPOSED FOR DIVERSION UNDER FC ACT)

Project: Construction of 400 kV D/C Silchar-Misa Transmission line - a part near Misa Sub-station of NER II Transmission Ltd.

Forest area proposed for diversion under Nagaon Forest Division: 1.483 ha

A proposal (Ref No. FP/AS/TRANS/36480/2018) has been received by this office from the Chief Manager of NER II Transmission Ltd. for diversion of 1.483 ha of forest land for non-forestry purposes under the FC Act, 1980. The proposal has been received in Nagaon Division through online mode of MoEF & CC's web portal on 11.12.2018. The project envisaged the use of forest land for Construction of 400 kV D/C Transmission line from Silchar to Misa. A joint inspection has been conducted by the undersigned along with the representative of NER II Transmission Ltd. (Mr. Bhaskar Singh Rawat, Deputy Manager) on 19.12.2018.

Upon inspection of the proposed site, it was found that the forest land required by the user agency falls under Kathiatoli Range comprising of 1.483 ha of forest land in Doboka RF under Nagaon Division. The requirement of forest land proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum required for the project.

The salient features of the forest area proposed for diversion as found during site inspection are as follows:

- There are no any rare/ endangered known species of flora and fauna present in the area proposed for diversion.
- There is no any protected archaeological/ heritage sites located in the proposed area.
- The density of the forest area proposed for diversion is found to be around 0.7 to 1.
- The user agency has not violated any provisions of the FC Act and no work has been started without necessary clearance.

Therefore, the diversion for the forest land which is the barest minimum required as above is recommended for acceptance.

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