

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Diversion of 0.695 ha of forest land for construction of road from Ben School to Lakhim in South Sikkim.

1. Legal status of forestland proposed for diversion: **0.695 ha**
2. Item wise break up of details of forestland proposed for diversion:

Sl. No.	Component	Name and Status of Forest land	Area (in Ha)
1.	Const. of Road	Ben Khasmal	0.695
Total			0.695

3. Details of construction of buildings (if any)

Not applicable

4. Total cost of project at present rates

The estimated cost of the project is **Rs. 99.6/-** Rupees (ninety nine lakh six thousand) only

5. Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view:

No.

6. Vegetation: The area identified for the project is a stable land comprising of mainly Chelawney, simal, Lapsi etc. Necessary care during and after the completion of the project shall be taken up to protect and conserve the bio diversity of the area. Maximum effort shall be made to minimize the felling of existing trees.

7. Details of fauna

Mammals: Barking deer (*Muntiacus muntjac*), Civet cat (*Viverasp*), etc.

Reptiles, Birds, Butterflies are also found in the forest area proposed for diversion.

8. Background note on the proposal: This project falls under South District of Sikkim. The road will connect the Lakhim village. Presently there are no any means of transportation facilities to this village so as to connect with the District Namchi & other important towns. The majority of population are farmer and depend on the agricultural products. The road on completion will act the lifeline of the people of the area for transportation of their agricultural products to the town and help to transport their basic households amenties.

9. Compensatory Afforestation:

Land for CA is appropriate for plantation & management point of view					: Yes	
Land for CA is free from encroachment/other incumbencies					: Yes	
Land for CA is important from religious/archaeological point of view					: No	
Number of patches involved in land identified for CA					: two	
Sl.No	Location	Range	Plantation Area (in Ha)	Fencing (in KM)	SMC (in Ha)	Division
1	Ben Khasmal	Rabongla (T)	1.39	0.834	0.347	South (T) Division
Map of area selected for CA			: Enclosed			
Total financial outlay			:The total cost of Compensatory Afforestation scheme in Forest land along with maintenance and protection is Rs. 20,13,564/- Rupees(twenty lakh thirteen thousand five hundred sixty four) only			

10. Whether proposal involves violation of FCA, 1980 or not. If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken.

No violation has been observed till date.

11. The requirement of forestland as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommend area item-wise with details of alternative examined.


The area requirement of forestland as proposed by the user agency for diversion is unavoidable and is the barest minimum.

12. Details on catchments and command area under the project and catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir.

N.A.

13. Cost-Benefit ratio (only in case if diverted area is >5 ha)

N.A.


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