

Site Inspection Report

Prescribed vide PCCF (HoFF) No.Desk-17-4/1445, Dated 5/11/2015

Sr. No	Items	Observations and remarks
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	Proposal for use of 0.121 Ha. of forest land for non-forest purpose i.e. Construction of laying open water pipeline for drinking as well as for agricultural purpose, erection of poles laying insulated electric line to supply 3PH low-tension 440 volt electricity, aerial iron cable for Cable Car and existing approach stairs pathway facilities for Dosti Agro Tourism Centre, village-Karanjale, Tal-Junnar, Dist-Pune. Range- Otur Round- Madh Beat- Pargaon tarf Madh
2	Name of User Agency	Shri Sanjay Sudhir Awati, Authorized signatory & Landholder, Dosti Agro Tourism Centre, at village-Karanjale, Tal-Junnar, Dist-Pune
3	Date of site inspection	17.08.2020.
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion	0.121 Ha. "Reserved Forest"
5	a) Detail of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of forest land. b) Density and Eco-value class	Attached on page no. 0.5 and Eco-Value class-III
6	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col.2 of Part-1 is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise details of alternative examined.	Yes.
7	Whether the proposal involves	No construction of building is

	any construction of building (including residential) or not? If yes details thereof.	involved in the forest area.
8	<p>a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not.</p> <p>b) Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.</p> <p>c) Areal distance from nearest boundary of any Protected Area (km)</p> <p>d) Remark about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.</p> <p>e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons thereof.</p>	<p>Forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view. But proposed work are not going to cause much damage to wildlife.</p> <p>The surrounding area of the project is falls under part of Western Ghat. Surrounding area is definitely having unique species of flora and fauna but the land which is going to be diverted for the project is not going to affect the flora and fauna of the area because Insulated electric line, aerial iron cable for cable car both are aerial and the water pipeline will be laying on ground to avoid any damage to forest. Pathway is existing one which is used by local tribals and department for inspection. The base station for the cable is in private land so no trees are required to be felled.</p> <p>5.5 kilometers from Protected area i.e. Kalsubai Wildlife Sanctuary and it is not a part of Eco-sensitive Zone.</p> <p>The project proposed is not going to cause much damage to forest.</p> <p>Not required.</p>
9	<p>Details of vegetation:</p> <p>a) Total number of trees to be felled:</p> <p>b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm:</p> <p>c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm:</p> <p>d) Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem</p>	No trees required to be felled.

	in the area.	
10	Background note on the proposal (Short summary)	<p>The Agro Tourism area is situated at mountain plateau and area is completely surrounded by forest, therefore no water sources, supply of electric line and proper accessible route is not available there.</p> <p>Hence there is no option of other alternative. Required area for proposed construction of water pipeline, insulated electric line, aerial iron cable for cable car and the existing approach footpath to regularize 0.121 hector forest land is required.</p> <p>The proposed project not going to have much impact on flora and fauna. The proposed work in forest area will not have any adverse effect on the ecology of the area and no trees required to be felled. Hence the proposal is recommended for sanction.</p>
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, a detail report of violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached.	Yes, there is violation of FCA 1980 and violation report is attached with the proposal.
12	Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	No.
13	Details of catchment and cultivable command area under the project (if applicable) Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable)	Not applicable.
14	Utility of the project	The project is going to boost the tourism which includes eco-tourism too. And it is going to provide

		employment to local villagers.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/religious values? Whether any sacred groves or very old growth trees/ forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion?	No.
16	Any other important information related to project (Separate note may be attached, if required)	No.
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	Photographs are attached on page no.
18	Recommendation of the Inspecting officer (CCF/CF/DCF/RFO)	<p>The proposed construction of open water pipeline, insulated electric line, aerial iron cable for cable car and the existing approach footpath for regularization which is used by villagers and our staff for inspection. For the proposed project 0.121 hector of forest land is required. It is not going to have much impact on flora and fauna as the proposed work of the insulated electric line, aerial iron cable for cable car are aerial and the pathway (foot path) is existing one which is already in use by local tribals/ villagers and department for inspection. As the agro-tourism area is in plateau and is surrounded by forest much alternative routes are not available for the project proponent.</p> <p>Hence it is being recommended for approval.</p>

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Place:-Junnar
Date: /08/2020