

Site Inspection Report

Date of Inspection – 18-09-2019

Presence – Forest officials

- (1) Sri Bimal Lakra, DFO, Dhanbad.
- (2) Sri Ram Balak Prasad, RFO, U/F Range, Dhanbad.
- (3) Sri Goutam Kumar Das, Forest Guard.

BCCL Officials

- (1) Sri Soumen Chatterjee, GM, Bastacola Area.
- (2) Sri Umesh Pandit, Project Officer, Dobari Colliery.
- (3) Sri Suraj Kumar, Environment Officer.

On the aforesaid date, the area was visited. The proposed land for diversion is a notified protected forest of Bera Mouza, The area is adjacent to BCCL mining area of Kuya Colliery. The other P.F. near to it are Aamtal and Jarma P.F. The main species of flora present are Chakundi, Chhatwan, Dhela, Palas etc. The proposed land is demarcated by pillars.

The almost entire area has gentle slope. The area has tree cover of older plantation and hence not much affected by erosion. Ground flora, bushes and some climbers can also be seen. The joint enumeration list of the trees is complete. A few trees were measured at DBH and it was checked with marking list.

As such no rare/endangered/unique sp. of flora & fauna was noticed. The forest area also did not have any archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment etc.

The total area of Bera P.F. is 80.51 ha. out of which 64.02 ha. is already transferred to BCCL in the past. Rest 16.49 ha. remaining area of Bera P.F. forms the part of the proposal.

The proposed area is adjacent to Kuya Colliery and is part of the coal block of BCCL. BCCL needs this forest land to expand its mining and increase production of coal for the energy requirements of the country. Hence the proposed land for diversion is unavoidable and bare minimum of the project.

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