

**SITE INSPECTION REPORT w.r.t. FCA Proposal of Construction of Road from Dabathali to Choatra Lahar & Sathla to Sarthan by J&K Public Welfare Department (PWD)**

S. No.	Items	Observation and Remarks			
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	Diversion of 3.0375 ha. of forest land for non forestry purposes under FCA, 1980 in Kathua Range of Kathua Forest Division in respect of Construction of Road from Dabathali to Choatra Lahar & Sathla to Sarthan			
2	Name of User Agency	Executive Engineer, PWD (R&B), Basholi			
3	Date of Site Inspection	05-12-2020			
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of Forest land proposed for diversion	3.0375 hac.			
5	a) Details of Forest land proposed for diversion and activity wise breakup of forest land.	The Forest Land proposed for diversion falls in the category of "Reserved Forest"			
		Name of Range	Items of work/purpose	Forest Land Required	
				Compartment No.	Area Ha.
	Kathua	Construction of Road from Dabathali to Choatra Lahar & Sathla to Sarthan	14/K & 15/K	3.0375	
	b) Density and Eco- value class	Density - 0.4 to 0.7 and Eco-Class - III			
6	Whether the requirment of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col. 2 of part - I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item - wise details of alternative examined.	Yes			
7	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building ( including residential ) or not? If yes details thereof.	No			
8	a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view of not.	Not very important in absence of records of rare, endangered, threatened species.			
	b) Detail of any rare or endangered or unique speices of flora and funa in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.	NA			
	c) Arial distance from nearest boundary of any portected Area (Km)	2.90 km from Thein Conservation Reserve			
	d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.	Moderately sensitive			
	e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required ? If yes, reasons thereof.	Pertains to Wildlife Division			
9	Details of vegetation:	Proposed Forest Area identified for diversion falls under Forest Types - <b>Group 5 "Tropical Dry Deciduous Forests"</b> as per Champion & Seth's Classification of India's Forests			
	a) Total number of trees to be felled	1,176			
	b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60cm	1,164			
	c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60cm	12			
10	Back ground note on the proposal (Short Summary)	The project for Construction of Road from Dabathali to Choatra Lahar & Sathla to Sarthan roads has been sanctioned under NABARD RIDF-XXII & XXV respectively. The roads take off from village Dabathli & Sathla respectively and surronding areas are expected to be benefitted by construction of these roads on their completion and will provide connectivity to a populaton of about 10,000 souls inhabiting village Dabathli and Sathla respectively. Also it wll provide alternate/shortest connectivity to Billawar, Basholi and Bani areas with District Head Quarter.			

11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980? If yes, a details report of violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached.	No
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)	NA
	Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent silation of reservior (if applicable)	NA
14	Utility of the Project	The construction of Road from Dabathali to Choatra Lahar & Sathla to Sarthan will provide connectivity to a populaton of about 10,000 souls inhabiting village Dabathli and Sathla respectively. Also it wll provide alternare/shortest connectivity to Billawar, Basholi and Bani areas with District Head Quarter.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio- cultural / religious values? Whether any scared 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:	Attached
18	Recommendation of the Inspecting officer (DCF)	Recommended for grant of Stage-I or In-Principle Approval


  
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Place: Kathua

Date: 25/12/2020

  
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