

Annexure-17

SITE INSPECTION BY THE DFO

Diversion of 15.50 ha. reserve forest land for construction of Railway line between Bhimnath to Dholera Special investment Region (DSIR) in the State of Gujarat (15.50 ha))

Sr no.	Particular	Inspection Report by DFO (T)			
	Proposal Number:	FP/GJ/RAIL/41178/2019			
1	Extent in hectares	15.5			
2	Location (Lat-Long) of the forest land proposed for Diversion	Starting Point		Ending Point	
		22°13'11.26"N	72° 6'32.54"E	22°13'46.20"N	72° 5'10.43"E
		22°13'2.14"N	72° 6'48.72"E	22°13'7.26"N	72° 6'39.82"E
3	Legal status of the forest land (protected forest, Reserved forest, Revenue forest land or any other forest land)	Reserved forest 15.50 ha			
4	Demarcation of the area with temporary cairns etc.	No			
5	Any signs of encroachment	NO			
6	Any activity already taken up within the forest land or adjoining on forest land as part of the proposed project by the user agency. Details of action taken against the user agency in case of violation of the FCA Act and guidelines there under.	Work Not Started so far, hence No Violation of Forest Conservation Act 1980 has been done by User Agency (Enclosed Annexure-22 & 23 in the Project File)			
7	Status of vegetation, site, quality, species composition etc.	NIL (Reserved forest)			
8	Importance of area from wildlife point of view, status of wildlife (density and abundance of important species, bird life reptiles, butterflies and other scheduled animals any endangered wildlife). Any latest census of wildlife in this area.	Not Applicable			
9	Endemism of flora / fauna or any other unique ecosystem in the area.	Not Applicable			
10	Current land use. Is this area managed as per prescriptions in the working plan and if not, why	Not Applicable (Reserved forest)			
11	Importance of the area from historical or religious point of view.	The Proposed Land for Diversion is Not Historic Place or Religious place being Road Side Protected Forest land (Enclosed Annexure-24 in the Project File)			
12	Any department of persons proposed	NIL			
13	Any displacement of person proposed	NIL			
14	Is there any Rehabilitation and Resettlement plan for the person to be affected? Is there any dissenting	There is No Displacement of any habitat involved, Hence, Not Applicable			
15	Compensatory afforestation proposed Is on forest land or non – forest land. Location of this area, suitability of the area for CA. If in the degraded forest land then what is the current working plan prescription for the area? Distance of the non – forest land for CA from the nearest forest area. Number of patches in case the area should be more than 10 kms.	The Compensatory afforestation scheme will be followed in Non forest area, Village-Gogala S.NO-400,401 and 404 Ha. 15.500, Range-Dholera , Taluka-Dholera, Dist-Ahmedabad.			
16	Proposal area should not be part of any Protected area. Also distance from the boundary of the nearest protected area should be more than 10 kms.	Yes, Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary 30 km (Enclosed Annexure-25 in the Project File)			

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17	Dependence of tribal in the area, Whether the rights of the tribal have been recognized in this area.	Not Applicable (Enclosed Annexure-15 in the Project File)
18	Utility of the project, including the people living in closed vicinity of the project.	The Proposed Project will ensure easy,safe &quick transportation for public as well as government and private sectors
19	In case of renewal whether all the conditions stipulated N/A in the earlier sanction order have been complied with.	Not Applicable
20	Alternatives examined by the user agency in case of non – site specific projects.	There is No other Alternative Railway Routes possible against the proposed Railway of Diversion of forest land (Enclosed Annexure-35 in the Project File)
21	A certificate by the user agency that the forest land requested for diversion for non – forestry purpose is bare minimum.	The User Agency ensures to Utilize the proposed Protected Road Side Forest Land to Bare & Minimum uasage (Enclosed Annexure-10 in the Project File)
22	Any scope of saving tree growth while ensuring that the purpose for which the forest land is being diverted is also not adversely affected.	The Trees Shall be felled under strict Supervision & only those trees shall be felled which are asolutely essential for the Project, ensuring that the Forest Land is not adversely affected
23	Any other issued of significance	No
24	Specific recommendation of the DFO with reason for approval of the project.	YES,The Proposed Project is important for both Public & Government Welfare ensuring safe quick & easy transportation,improving chances foe financial & Sosial benefits

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