

Sl.No.11. Annexure-XIII
Office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Purnea Forest Division,
Purnea, Bihar.

Site inspection report of DCF

Inspection Date : 04.05.2019 and 08.05.2019

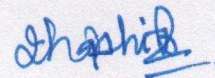
For the purpose of laying 24" Dia Natural Gas Pipeline alongwith OFC from Barauni to Guwahati is passing through various notified Road side SH-77 (Kursela-Kachahiri Balwa Road) SH-65 (Maheshkant-Madhepura-Purnea Road), Kriyanandnagar, and Canal side P.F. Barneshwar Minor, Dhamdaha Minor, Kursela Minor, Meerganj Minor, Bishanpur Minor, Jalagarh Minor, Katihar Canal and Ekamba Minor of Banmankhi and Purnea range of Purnea Forest Division (List of site is attached), a proposal for diversion of 0.217 Hectare of forest land has been submitted by GAIL (INDIA) Limited under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. The site was inspected by undersigned on 04.05.2019 and 08.05.2019 along with Range Officer of Forest, Banmankhi & Purnea respectively. As per the proposal, the proposed site for laying out of Natural Gas Pipeline along with OFC is crossing along the various Canal side and Road side area which is notified as Protected Forest by Govt. Notification vide 1441E/16.11.1994 for Canal side and Notification Vide 190E dated 16.02.1994 for Road side P.F. Hence for execution of the project, 0.217 Hectare of forest land will be required to be diverted, the calculation of which is attached along with the proposal. In executing this project, total 105 trees of various species and girth class (attached as Annexure-XIV) is coming in the project area. The tree should be translocated with proper due care and after translocation, it should be properly maintained for its survival by user agency. Density of vegetation is approximately 0.3 for the purpose of NPV calculation. This part of the protected forest is bare minimum area proposed for diversion to complete

the project. Generally the project area is vulnerable to medium soil erosion due to intrinsic geological features of the moderate during rainy season. The proposed area is only notified protected forest and not forms part of any National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc. Animals like jackal, hare, common langur etc. found in the area apart from the local birds which are abundant in the area. The undersigned is of opinion that the instant proposed project will no way affect the distribution or movement of any wild animal found in the areas where it is found.

As per field inspection and information provided by user agency, there is no record of any protected archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment or any other important monument located in the area of proposed project.

The requirement of forest land as proposed by user agency 0.217 hectare is unavoidable and barest minimum of the project and only viable option.

The user agency has not violated the prescribed provisions of the Forest Conservation Act and Indian Forest Act at the time of inspection.



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