

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

1.	Name of the Project	:-	Proposal for diversion of 0.28 ha. of forest Land for construction of approach road from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. in Bonai Sub-Division of Sundargarh District. Proposal No.FP/OR/ROAD/35474/2018 (S.L. No.OR-08/2019 dt.13.2.2019.	
2.	Name of the District / Division	:-	Sundargarh District / Bonai Division.	
3.	Date of Inspection	:-	15.4.2019	
4.	Name and designation of Inspecting Officer	:-	Sri Sudhansu Sekhar Khora, IFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Bonai Division.	
5.	Name and Designation of other officers who attended the inspection including representative of User Agency.	:-	1. Sri B.C. Patra, Range Officer, Koira Range. 2. Sri Bijay Kumar Pradhan, Fr., Jamdihi Section, I/C Toda Section. 3. Sri Ganesh Patra, Forest Guard, Nadidihi Beat. 4. Sri H. Mazumder, Director of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. 5. Sri P. Deo, Sr. GM, Commercial of Kamanda Steel Plant of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. 6. Sri S.N. Upadhyay, Addl. G.M., Corporate Affairs of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd.	
6.	Legal Status of forest land with area proposed for diversion	:-	Revenue Forest – 0.28 ha.	
7.	If area required for diversion has been demarcated on the ground	:-	Yes	
8.	<u>Item-wise break-up of forest land proposed for diversion.</u>			
	The item-wise break-up of forest land proposed for diversion is as follows;			
	i)	Proposed approach road from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant site	:-	0.28 Ha.
9.	Condition of vegetation and type of forest in applied area	:-	The density of vegetation is 0.2 (Zero point two) (Eco value class-I). The applied area is composed of Sal (<i>Shorea robusta</i>), Asan (<i>Terminalia tomentosa</i>), Kendu (<i>Diospyros melanoxylon</i>), Jamu (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Bara (<i>Ficus bengalensis</i>) etc.	
10.	Position of Wildlife in general	:-	Wild animals such as Jungle cat, Mongooses, Rabbit, Jackal etc. and different types of Snake and Birds are also seen in the applied area. No rare or endangered flora or fauna is noticed in this area.	
11.	Whether the applied area is involved with any eco-sensitive zone / National Park / Sanctuary.	:-	The applied area is not involved with any eco-sensitive zone / National Park / Sanctuary.	

12.	Number of trees to be felled and its impact on the eco-system	:-	<p>Total tree enumeration has been taken up over applied forest area of 0.28 ha. comes to 12 nos., which are above 30 cm girth. The abstract of tree enumeration has been furnished at (Annexure-5/DP).</p> <p>Hence, 12 nos. of trees above 30 cm girth may be required to be felled / removed in applied forest area during construction of approach road from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant site.</p>
13.	Details of broken-up area and reclamation done, if any. (Mining cases)	:-	Not applicable
14.	Position of displacement of people and adequacy of rehabilitation, if any	:-	The project does not involve displacement of people.
15.	Position of rare and endangered species available or importance of area from eco-social point of view.	:-	There is no rare and endangered species, and the area has no importance from eco-social point of view.
16.	Non-forest land used in the project, and non-forest land selected for Comp. Affn. is included in the D.L.C. report or not.	:-	<p>0.946 ha. of non-forest land is required for the present project, which has not been included in the DLC.</p> <p>Compensatory Afforestation not required as the applied area is below 1 ha.</p>
17.	Suitability of the identified non-forest land / degraded forest land for Comp. Affn.	:-	N.A.
18.	Violation of F.C. Act., if any,	:-	<p>The proposed approach road for the Kamanda Steel Plant of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. lies outside the Plant premises and covers an area of 1.226 ha. comprising of 0.28 ha. of Revenue Forest land and remaining 0.946 ha. of non-forest land. It is reported by the Range Officer, Koira Range vide his Memo No.186 dt.3.5.2019 that the following persons have unauthorisedly constructed 2 houses encroaching 0.031 ha. of Revenue Forest land falling on the proposed diversion area for approach road.</p> <p>(1) Sri Basu Munda, S/o-Late Singhrai Munda, At-Kusumdihi, PO-Kalta, Dist-Sundargarh has constructed one house over 0.022 ha. of Revenue Forest land.</p> <p>(2) Sri Singhrai Bhanwar, S/o-Indar Bhanwar, At-Kusumdihi, PO-Kalta, Dist-Sundargarh has constructed one house over 0.009 ha. in Revenue Forest land.</p> <p>Besides, one old existing path covering an area of 0.094 ha. of Revenue Forest land has been noticed within the proposed diversion area of 0.28 ha. of Revenue Forest land applied by M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. for construction of approach road from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant in Bonai Sub-Division of Sundargarh District, which is located outside the Plant premises. The Range Officer, Koira has reported in his Memo No.186 dt.3.5.2019 that this path is being utilized by the local villagers.</p>

		<p>The Collector, Sundargarh has been requested to take legal action against the above persons for the encroachment vide this office Letter No.3195 dt.4.5.2019 for unauthorized occupation and construction of 2 houses over 0.031 ha. Besides, the Collector, Sundargarh has also been requested to take action for existence of path covering an area of 0.094 ha. of Revenue Forest land within the area applied for diversion located outside the Plant premises.</p> <p>Further, the explanation has also been sought vide this office Memo No.3196 dt.4.5.2019 from Range Officer, Koira Range / Forester, Toda Section / Forest Guard, Nadidhi Beat as they have failed to restrain the construction of houses and existence of path in the above proposed Revenue Forest land.</p>
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Divisional Forest Officer,
Bonai Division.