Site Inspection Report

The proposal for diversion of forest land for 400 KV/DC Patratu-Latehar transmission line has been received from office of Dy. General Manager (JCP) Powergrid, Namkum, Ranchi, which is the user agency. The user agency has applied for diversion of 58.862 ha of forest land in laying of Power Transmission Line.

The site inspection of the forest land involved in the proposal has been carried out by the Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division, Ranchi on dated 22.08.2025.

The list of officials present during inspection of the undersigned are given below:-

- 1. Shri Surendra Singh, RFO, Burmu.
- 2. Shri Kumar Abhishek, DGM, Power Grid.
- 3. Shri Shekhar Kapoor Shashi, DGM Power Grid.
- 4. Shri Kuldeep Kumar, Engineer, Power Grid.
- 5. Shri Lalit Kumar, Forest Guard, Burmu Range.
- 6. Shri Vinay Kumar Singh Munda, Forest Guard, Burmu Range.

On inspection of the site and matching of forest diversion application, it was found that the forest land required by the user agency is around 58.862 ha.

The legal status of forest land as proposed by the user agency is as follows:-

PF=39.906 ha, Jungle-Jhari land=18.956 ha.

The proposed land for diversion is unavoidable & barest minumum for the project.

Indian hare, Wild Boar, Python are the major wildlife present in the forest area proposed for diversion.

During the site inspection it was found that user agency has already constructed 11 towers in notified forest area and 05 towers in Jungle-Jhari-Gair Majurua land. As per forest office report a total of 0.2576 ha. of total forest land was found encroached by user agency before being duly applied for diversion. The work at site is not in progress.

The crown density in notified forest and jungle-jhari area is between 0.7 - 0.8.

This 400 KV D/C Patratu - Latehar Transmission Line will evacuate the power of Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (PVUNL) and also be an important link to National Grid. This project will improve the power transmission scenario in Jharkhand State. So this project may be accepted, with penal provisions as mandated in the rules.

Place:- Ranchi

Date :- 22.08.25

Divisional Forest Officer
Ranchi Forest Division, Ranchi