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**SITE INSPECTION REPORT NOT BELOW THE RANK OF DCF**

**Name of Project: AmrutYojna (Water supply project for urban Chittorgarh ,Raj.)**

**Proposal No.: FP/RJ/Water/35465/2018**

A proposal has been received by this office from Public Health & Engineering Department, PHED, Chittorgarh for diversion (under FCA-1980) of 0.016 ha of forest land in Kila Reserved Forest Block in Range Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Division) for laying water pipeline to provide safe and potable drinking water to the habitants of Chittorgarh Fort area . The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal was done by me on dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019. On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is forest land in Kila Reserved Forest Block in Range Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Division).

The requirement of the forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is technically a bare minimum for the project.

The forest area involved in the project has moderate vegetative density characterized predominately by shrubs and considerable wildlife presence. Panther, Hyena, Cheetal, Blue bull, Rodents, Fox, Monitor lizard, etc are reported in the area.

There is **not any** protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument located in the area and the project envisages providing drinking water to the Historical fort area of Chittorgarh.

The user agency has **not violated** the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and work has not been started without proper sanction.

The area has rugged topography & is comprised of the slope of the hillock over which the historical fort is situated. The soil depth is shallow yet few good patches of Dhonk are present in the area, although they are more as bushy form than tree shape. The proposed pipeline shall be layed over land without much disturbance to the strata and intends to provide potable water facilities to the habitants of the fort area as well as the tourists visiting the fort.

Therefore, the proposed project of laying on ground pipeline may be approved for ensuring better drinking water facilities to the most coveted area of the city of Chittorgarh as the forest land involved is very less, there would not be much disturbance to the existing flora and fauna in the area and the area can be left for natural regeneration for long period once the pipeline is laid over ground. Therefore, the project is recommended for acceptance considering the vital benefits it would accrue to public at large, provided some adequate measures in terms of:-

- Restricted movement of heavy machineries in forest area.
- No working in the odd hours of the day to discourage faunal disturbances.
- Working in presence of local forest staff to ensure least damage to the existing flora.
- Working to be in consultation of Forest Department, Chittorgarh and directions by the Divisional Forest Officer given, if any, must be adhered to and be followed.

are kept while implementing the project.

Place: Chittorgarh

Date: 10/10/2019



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