

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

A proposal has been received by this office from M/s Tata Steel West Bokaro Division under FC Act 1980 for diversion of 36.94 Ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The project envisages the use of forest land for construction of washery and conveyor belt for expansion of coal production capacity from West Bokaro coal field of Tata Steel. Out of total applied area, 20 ha is notified forest and 16.94 Ha is deemed forest. The site inspection of the forest land involved has been done on 08.07.2022. The details of site inspection and observation are as follows: -

1. Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area if so detail thereof: - **No**
2. Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details there of with NOC from competent authority, if required - **No**
3. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of para -1 is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details alternatives examined- **Yes**
4. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials, whether work is violation is still in progress- **No**.
5. The proposed area lies at Duni, Sarubera and Atna villages of Ramgarh Forest Division. The density of the vegetation is 0.3 and site quality III.
6. There is movement of elephants in villages/area located in and around the area proposed for diversion. Therefore, it is suggested that a comprehensive wildlife management plan should be prepared.
7. To restore the ecosystem of the area in and around the land proposed for diversion, user agency either himself or through the state Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forest (having crown density less than 0.4) located in the area within 100 meters from outer perimeter of the project boundary.


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