

JOINT INSPECTION REPORT

A) Details of Inspection

1.	Name of Project	:	Diversion of 2.3238 ha. of Forest land in Shahapur Forest Division for laying of Natural Gas Pipeline from Mumbai to Nagpur through Thane, Nashik, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Jalna, Buldhana, Washim, Amravati, Wardha & Nagpur Distiricts of State of Maharashtra
2.	Date of Inspection	:	27 / 07 / 2022
3.	Inspecting Officer	:	
	a) Forest Department	:	Shri. A. G. Jadhav Assistant Conservator of Forests (FLCS & CAMPA) Shahapur
	b) Implementing/ Project Agency	:	GAIL (India) Ltd. 8th Floor, GAIL Jubilee Tower, B-35 & 36, Sector-1, Noida – 201 301 (U.P.)
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5.	Whether work has been started in violation of Forest Conservation Act 1980, if yes officer from implementing agency will furnish the date of commencement of work done and amount spent.	:	No.
6.	Whether the area forms part and National Park, wildlife sanctuary, Nature reserve biosphere reserve etc.	:	The project area does not exist the part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, & any monument site, Historical, religious places.
7.	Whether rare and endangered habitats of migratory found or in a heading of them if so, give scientific names	:	No
8.	Whether forest area of a habitats of migratory found or in heading for them if so, give scientific name	:	No
9.	Details of existing forest:	:	
	a) Density	:	Density – 0.3 Eco-value Class – I (Tropical Moist Deciduous Forest)
	b) Important species	:	-----
10.	Trees expected to be felled	:	979
11.	Other forest produce from the forest involved	:	Nil
12.	Effect of the proposal expected on	:	
	a) fuel wood supply to rural population	:	Nil
	b) Economy & livelihood of tribal & Backward community	:	Economy and livelihood of tribal and backward communities will improve by project.

13.	Attempts made to find out alternate non-forest land and its result.	:	After detailed study of alternatives, this is final alignment selected for the proposed gas pipeline. As the proposed Natural Gas Pipeline is passing through already diverted forest land to MSRDC for Nagpur Mumbai Super Communication Expressway (Package-V) and the proposed Natural Gas Pipeline is passing through the RoW of MSRDC. But in some patches it is not feasible to work in the existing Right of Way of Nagpur – Mumbai Samruddhi Expressway. So the project authority has proposed diversion in the said patches, which requires new forest land.
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B) INFORMATION RELATED WITH THE FOREST LAND INVOLVED

1.	Legal Status of forest land	:	Reserved Forest - 0.7591 Ha. Protected Forest - 1.4024 Ha. Restored Pri. Forest - 0.1623 Ha. Total - 2.3238 Ha.		
2.	Location	:			
	A) Circle	:	Thane		
	B) Division	:	Shahapur		
	C) Range, round, beat, village	:	Range	Round	Beat
			Shahapur	Shera	Shera
			Shahapur	Birwadi	Saralambe
			Khardi	Kashti	Birwadi
			Khardi	Shirol	Shirol
	D) Compartment No.	:	-----		
3.	Boundaries on 4 sides	:	As follows		
	a) North	:			
	b) South	:			
	c) East	:			
	d) West	:			
	e) Latitude & Longitude of the proposed land	:	The Latitude & Longitude of the proposed forest land are enclosed in the proposal.		
4.	Vulnerability to erosion whether it from seriously eroded area	:	No.		

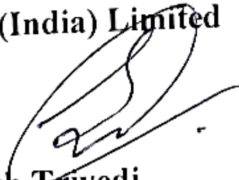
C) INFORMATION RELATED WITH THE PROJECT AGENCY

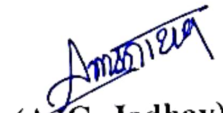
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2.	Benefit expected	:	The project will directly reduce the environmental and economical impact of overland transport of fuel along

		public and providing them with clean and eco-friendly fuel. Natural gas as a fuel will have a positive social impact as well. The increased use of natural gas will also create new employment opportunities in the form of LNG terminals, City Gas Projects, etc.
3.	Location	: As per statement
4.	Details of area expected to be used	
	a) Non forest area	: 4.5711 Ha.
	b) forest area in Hectors	: Reserved Forest - 0.7591 Ha. Protected Forest - 1.4024 Ha. Restored Pri. Forest - 0.1623 Ha. Total - 2.3238 Ha.
5.	Unqualified commitment of project official to bear the cost	:
	a) Exploitation	: The project Authority agreed to pay the Cost of removal of trees, Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value at the prevailing rates and the certificates are enclosed in the proposal.
	b) Compensatory Afforestation	:
	c) Net Present Value	:
6.	Availability of non forest alternative land	: Not available.
7.	Any other note worthy features of the area relevant to proposal	: NIL

Information furnished in this report is correct according to the data available with the Deputy Conservator of Forest, Shahapur Forest Division, and the Project Agency.

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