PART - II (Revised)

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)
State serial No. of proposal –JH-028/2020

7. Location of the project/Scheme:

(i) State/Union Territory - Jharkhand.

(ii) District. - Chatra.

(iii) Forest Division. - Chatra South Forest Division.

- (iv) Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)- (Notified & Demarcated Protected Forest land- 192.06, Notified and undemarcated Protected Forest- 49.16, GM(JJ)- 159.73 total 400.96 Ha)
- (v) Legal status of forest.- Protected Forest

(vi) Density of vegetation.- D= 0.6

(vii) Species-wise (Scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of tree (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL - 2 meter & FRL - 4 meter also to be enclosed.)- Copy Attached.

(viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion.- The forest area is moderately vulnerable to soil erosion.

(ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.- 0.00 KM

(x) Whether forms part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed).- **No** 

(xi) Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area-if so details thereof- Yes, every year during paddy crops season in October and November, the wild elephants visit some parts of the proposed areas in search of food and fodder.

(xii) Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details theref with NOC from competent authority, if required.- **No** 

8. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined. – Yes.

9. 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 in violation is still in progress. – No.

10. Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:

Details of non forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch. –The area for compensatory afforestation has been selected in Thirteen protected forest – Pitiz, Damdoia, Chiraiya, Kalajeerma, Lamboya, Nayakhap, Pahra, Sinduarikhurd, Karlagga,

Marangi, Mahuari, Dahu, Padampur and Nauniachuan

Name of Site	Thana &	Patch	Plot No.	Net	Gross
	Thana No.	No.		Area	Area
	1		1 1 2 2	(in ha)	(in ha)
Pitiz	Itkhori-08	1 '	2497P,2536,2541	18.00	59.40
Pítiz	Itkhori-08	2	2562P	18.00	34.41
Damdoia	Chatra-256	3	1359P	18.00	66.45
Chiraiya	Gidhour-38	1	245,246,247,248,	63.40	95.00
,		7-	249,250,251P		
Kalajeerma	Simaria-115	1	17,19,20P, 23	10.00	74.00
Lamboya	Pathalgada-	1	861,862,863,864,	115.00	152.32
	61		867,868,873		,
Nayakhap	Gidhour-18	1	796,1277P	77.00	116.00
Marangi	Gidhour- 45	1	3P,4P,5P,6P,112P,399P,	81.00	120
			400P,401P		
Mahuari	Itkhori-132	3	1228P,1229P,1230P, 1231P	46.00	183.19
Pahra	Gidhour-23	1	4,58P	19.37	76.00
Pahra	Gidhour-23	2	169P	17.63	
Dahu	Tandwa-65	1 '	1614,1615,1717,1880,1881,1912,	14.00	117.50
			1970, 1998		
Sinduarikhurd	Gidhour-13	1	2P,3P,4P,5P	20.35	65.27
Padampur	Tandwa-1	1	81P,197P,853P,857P	28.00	105.72
Karlagga	Chatra- 253	1	213,220,240,354P,317,352P,	47.30	63.92
			351		
Noniyachuwan	Huntergunj-	1	3P,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,26,32,33	209.00	251.39
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	Sub-Total-	20		802.50	1580.57
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(ii) Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.- Attached.

(iii) Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted. Teak, Sisham, Gamhar, Khair, Karanj,Ficus Species, Amla, Neem, Bakain, Semal, Bamboo etc. implementing agency – Chatra South Forest Divisoin. Time schedule- 10 Years.

(iv) Total financial outlay for compensatory affforestation scheme. – Rs. 23,13,69,279.00 (Rs. Twenty three crore thirteen lac sixty nine thousand two hundred seventy nine only).

- (v) Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).- Attached.
- 11. Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7(xi, xii), 8 and 9 above,- **Enclosed.**
- Division/District profile:
  - (i) Geographical area of the district. 3706 Km² or 370600 hectare.
  - (ii) Forest area of the district.- 2013.7 Km² or 201370 hectare
  - (iii) Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases.- 1575.27 Ha., 23 proposals.
  - (iv) Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on
    - (a) forest land including penal compensatory afforestation, 1922.36 Ha
    - (b) Non-forest land. 53.79 Ha
  - (v) Progress of compensatory afforestory afforestation as on (date) 22.01.2024
    - (a) Forest land 1761.65 Ha
    - (b) Non-forest land.- Nil
- 13. Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.-

The user agency applied for 400.96 hectare of forest land for diversion under forest (conservation) Act to excavate coal, the main raw material required for power generation and other commercial and domestic needs in the country. The area is spread over 05 villages and forests of this division and as per the documents attached to the proposal, is having vast reserve of coal approximately 527.30 MT and the user agency envisages to mine out 15 MT per annum. The project is site specific and shall cater the many essential needs of the people through its linked infrastructural projects e.g. Transmission Line, Roads etc. Our energy demand for all round development is still very much dependent on coal which as per estimation fulfills about 60% of requirement of power of the nation. At this critical stage, one cannot rule out the coal mining projects. The proposal was examined in the light of the guidelines issued by Gol along with the checklist and has been found in a complete state. The applied area is a good habitat of wildlife and also includes many residential houses for which proper replacement and rehabilitation measures are required to the tune of the states R&R policy and other concerned laws. The proposed area and its surrounding areas also, being a habitat of many wild animals, shall definitely bear some impacts on residing and adjoining wild animals for which a wildlife management plan shall be required. The project shall generate many employment opportunities to the local people and shall also address the migration problem of the people from these areas. Overall, I see the project is in the interest of the local people and the state and the nation also and therefore, this proposal for diversion of 400.96 ha forest land for coal mining, under the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act is recommended for approval by the competent authority.

Signature

Name :- Mukesh Kumar, IFS
Official Seal

Date:- **22.01.2024** Place:- Chatra

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Cl. Divisional Forest Officer

Chatra South Forest Division