

**Annexure-III/1**

**Site Inspection report of the Conservator of Forests, Central Forest Circle, Manipur for the project proposal for diversion of 1.00 ha of forest land at Leipokpi Unclassed Forest land for development of Earth Quarry.**

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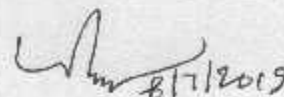
I, along with the Divisional Forest Officer, Thoubal Forest Division and the Range Forest Officer, Thoubal Range had inspected the proposed site for development of 1.00 Ha forest land as Earth Quarry at Leipokpi Unclassed Forest on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The proposed site is a mole hill and located in Compartment No. 24 of Yairipok Block of Leipokpi Unclassed Forest under Thoubal Range, Thoubal Forest Division.

The Forest type of the proposed area is Tropical Moist Deciduous Forests which is classified as Eco-class-I by the order dated 28/3/2008 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (C) No. 202/1995. The main species occurring in the forest area are *Castanopsis hystrix*, *Pinus kesiya*, *Querus species*, *Schima wallichii* etc. Most of the trees growing inside the proposed site are of pole size in 0-60 cm girth class. The average density of the vegetation in the proposed area is about 20%. The area has gentle to moderate slope and not prone to erosion.

The site does not form part of any protected area i.e. National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Conservation Reserve and Community Reserve. The nearest protected area, viz, Keibul Lamjao National Park in Bishnuur District is at an aerial distance of about 30.0 Km from the proposed area. No rare and endangered wildlife species has been reported from the area. There is no protected archeological heritage site, defence establishment or any important monument in the area.

As on the date of site inspection, the User Agency/proposer has not violated any provision of the FCA, 1980.

Imphal, the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019.



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