Site Inspection Report

A proposal has been received by this office from M/s Central Coalfield Limited (CCL) under FC Act 1980 for diversion of 101 Ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The project envisages the use of forest land for Parej East OCP for coal mining in Dhurukasmar, Parej and Barughutu villages. Out of total applied area, 2.71 ha is notified forest and rest 98.29 Ha is deemed forest. The site inspection of the forest land involved in the proposal has been done on 18.11.2020. The details of site inspection and observation are as follows:-

- 1) The density of the vegetation is 0.3 and site quality is III
- 2) No protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monuments are located in the said project area.
- 3) The forest area proposed for diversion does not form part of National Park, Wildlife sanctuary and Biosphere/Tiger reserve.
- 4) Out of 2.71ha of notified forest, 1.57 ha was broken before1980. Out of 98.29 ha of GMJJ land, 55.20 Ha was broken before 1996.
- 5) There is regular movement of herd of elephants in villages located within 10 km of the area proposed for diversion i.e. Laiyo, Basantpur, Rauta, Pindra etc. Wide spread destruction of habitat of wild animal is common in mining areas. Blasting at mining site causes migration of animal from nearby areas. Therefore, it is suggested that a comprehensive wildlife management plan should be prepared.
- 6) The mining area proposed to diversion is located near a water stream in its southern side. User agency should ensure that the flow of water in the stream is not disturbed or polluted due to dumping of coal or coal dust from the mining operation.

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