## <u>Site inspection note of Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Central Assam Circle of proposed for Construction of Water Tank and Approach Road etc a project of Public Health Engineering Department in Kamrup East Division, Basistha.</u>

A violation of F.C. Act 1980 in Hahara PRF was detected by the Range Officer, Sonapur Range of Divisional Forest Officer, Kamrup East Division on 10.01.2018 by P.H.E. Department, Govt. of Assam for construction of Water Tank and approach road etc. The area is a Hilly area with a density of 0.1 % to 0.4 % canopy density and with sufficient herbs and shrubs.

The area in violation is 1.65 ha. and the following building were found in the site on my date of inspection on 09.09.2020.

- 1. Water Treatment Project
- 2. Master Balancing Reservoir
- 3. Raw Water Intermediate Boosting
- 4. Approach Road though Hahara PRF

During the inspection it was found that A.P.D.C.L, Assam has installed Concrete Electrical Post and Electrical line drawn to the Project site of the P.H.E. The Divisional Forest Officer, Kamrup East Division, Guwahati is directed to take up the violation by A.P.D.C.L immediately.

Since the project is related to water supply and 50% works have already been taken up, and issue the area is surrounded by indigenous tribal people, the completion of the Project is recommended as per provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

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