

RECOMMENDATION

Diversion of Forest Land under West Tripura District for proposal No.FP/TR/TRANS/157144/2022 Proposal for diversion of Forest Land measuring 3.663968 ha for reconstruction of 132KV Single Circuit Agartala grid to Dhalabil

Transmission Line due to widening of National Highway (NH-108B) under DFO West.

- (1) The proposed diverted land is under Forest range- Subalsingh and is along the side of previous road and is meandering via RF in various terrains like hilly and steepmslopes and plains in some locations of Baramura –Devtamura RF under Sadar subdivision of West Tripura District with **3.663968 ha area**. During the field visit with all forest officials and user agency it is found that laying of towers in multiple locations and laying of electric lines require removal of trees and also land levelling and soil cutting and cleaninig of the Jungle in the diverted area. Hence there is need for watch and ward by the user agency only in future for repair and maintenance and the area of towers need to be fenced properly in all four sides with proper separation from nearby forest area for the safety of wildlife and tribals nearby. And in addition demand the user agency to provide fund for two Bikes for **Patrolling the location for Forest patrolling Staff** [Rs.2.60 lakhs]. Also place here demand for another 10.00 lakhs for **up gradation of the Range office Subalsingh as the forest staff is patrolling the areas nearby diverted area and their movement indirectly look after assets of the user agency also along with forest protection. In any area of higher erosion user agency should implement soil protection measures like compound wall or culverts.**Also request the user agency for fund to implement a Nature Trail in the area and the minimum fund required is 10.0 lakhs.The Chain link fencing for 3 km requested for the protactiojn of the pristine patches of the forest and the requirement is 36 lakhs.[As per latest PWD schedule rates] So the Total fund requirement pertaining to the above items is **Rs. 58,60,000/-[Rs.Fifty Eight lakh and Sixty thousand only)**

Date:-05.12.22

Place:- Unakoti-kumarghat



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