

**OFFICE OF DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
FOREST DIVISION MORENA (M.P.)**

INSPECTION NOTE

I, Swaroop Dixit, have been working as Deputy Conservator of Forest and posted as Divisional Forest Officer, Forest Division Morena, since dated January 12th, 2022.

Executive Engineer P.W.D. Gwalior vide letter no. कर्मांक/1484/2020 dated 06.02.2021 have submitted demand letter for 'Diversion of Forest Land for non-forestry use' under Forest (Conservation) Act – 1980, for Sikrawali to Dhowani road in village Dhovini, Tehsil Joura and District Morena, as detailed below –

S. N.	District	Division	Range	Comp. No.	Forest area proposed for diversion (In Ha.)	Legal status
1.	Morena	Morena	Pahadgarh	P-217	1.54	PF

I have inspected the above site on dated 16/03/2023 for mentioning facts as submitted by the User Agency, Public work department and for concluding department's recommendation in proposed diversion of forest land as mentioned above, for non-forestry use under Forest (Conservation) Act – 1980.

I am submitting my Site Inspection Report on prescribed format as below –

Sr. No.	Particulars	Inspection Report by CCF/DFO(T)
1	Extent in hectares.	1.54
2	Location (latitude-longitude) of the forest land proposed for diversion.	KML file has been uploaded in part 1 of the said application.
3	Legal status of the forest land (Protected forest, reserved forests, revenue forest lands or any other forest land).	Protected Forest Land.
4	Demarcation of the area with temporary cairns etc.	Temporary demarcation done with loose painted boulders.
5	Any signs of encroachment.	No.
6	Any activity already taken up within the forest land or adjoining non-forest land as part of the proposed project by the user agency. Details of action taken against the User Agency in case of violation of the FC Act and guidelines there under.	None. The user agency has not started any activity within forest land.
7	Status of vegetation. Site quality, species composition etc.	The proposed area for diversion is blank with vegetation of zero density .
8	Importance of area from wildlife point of view. Status of wildlife (density and	In the area around the proposed site, generally wild animal like Neelgaj, jackals,

	abundance of important species, bird life reptiles, butterflies and other scheduled animals, any endangered wildlife). Any latest census of wildlife in this area.	wild cats, hyena, Snakes and peacock etc. are found.
9	Endemism of flora/ fauna or any other unique ecosystem in the area.	NA.
10	Current land use. Is this area managed as per prescriptions in the Working Plan and, if not, why?	The area is being managed as per the Working Plan.
11	Importance of the area from historical or religious point of view.	No.
12	Any dependent persons/ families on this land.	NA.
13	Any displacement of persons proposed.	NA.
14	Is there any Rehabilitation and Resettlement Plan for the persons to be affected? Is there any dissenting voice among the persons proposed to be displaced?	NA.
15	Compensatory afforestation proposed is on forest land or non-forest land. Location of this area, suitability of the area for CA. If in the degraded forest land then what is the current Working Plan prescription for the area? Distance of the non-forest land for CA from the nearest forest area. Number of patches in case the area should be more than to kms.	Proposed Compensatory afforestation project is planned in Morena Forest Division in both, Forest land and non forest land. The non Forest land proposed for CA share the Boundary with Forest area. Degraded Forest land proposed for CA is Under RDF Working Circle in Morena Forest division.
16	Proposed area should not be part of any protected area. Also distance from the boundary of the nearest protected area should be more than 10 kms.	National Chambal Sanctuary is the nearest located Protected Area, which is situated at the distance of approximately more than 20 km.
17	Dependence of tribal in the area. - Whether the rights of the tribal have been recognized in this area.	NA.
18	Utility of the project, including the people living in close vicinity of the project.	Development of local area is expected for people living in close vicinity of the project.
19	In case of renewal whether all the conditions stipulated in the earlier sanction order have been complied with.	Not applicable, as it is a fresh proposal.
20	Alternatives examined by the user agency in case of non-site specific projects.	Project is site specific.
21	A certificate by the user agency that the forest land requested for diversion for	Attached along the proposal.

	non-forestry purpose is bare minimum.	
22	Any scope of saving tree growth while ensuring that the purpose for which the forest land is being diverted is also not adversely affected.	There is no tree affected due to this project.
23	Any other issue of significance.	None.
24	Specific recommendations of the DFO with reasons for approval of the project.	Sikrawali to Dhowani road project has major importance for local people and having minimum loss to the forest due to its linear nature (less than 0.4 density).. On this basis, I hereby recommend this proposal of diversion of proposed Protected and classified Forest Area of 1.54 Hectare, for non-forest use by the public work department Gwalior, for construction of the Sikrawali to Dhowani road.

Place – Morena (M.P.)

Date – 12-05-2023


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