

## SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Sr. No.	Items		Observation and remarks
1.	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)		: Diversion of 0.0085Ha. Forest land for laying 10" Dia. LPG underground Pipeline along with OFC By BPCL in Taluka Khalapur & Panvel, District Raigad in Maharashtra
	Location i)	Division	: Alibag Forest Division.
	ii)	Range	: Pen & Panvel
	iii)	Round	Chavana Round and Chavana Beat, Vasambe Round and Vasambe Beat
	iv)	S.No.	: Karade Khurd S. No. 43 (Gut No. 101) Karade Khurd (Chavandholi) S. No. 26 (Gut No. 137)
2.	Name of the User Agency		: Senior Manager Pipeline Project, Bharat Petroleum Ltd. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Annex Building, BPCL Refinery, Mahul, Chembur, Mumbai-400 074.
3.	Date of site inspection		: 27/10/2022
4.	Extent (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion		: 0.0085 Ha. Restored Private Forest
5.	a) Details of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of forest land		: Detailed area statement attached on Pg. No.
	b) Density of the forest		: The density is 0.0
6.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user Agency in col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternative examined		: Yes. Required forest land is barest minimum and unavoidable.
7.	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not? If yes, details thereof		: No.
8.	a.	Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important form	: No.

		wildlife point of view or not	
	b.	Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.	: Nil.
	c.	Aerial distance from the nearest boundary of any Protected Area (km)	: The Project area is about 3.168 Km. from Karnala Bird Sanctuary and 1.887 Km from the boundary of Eco-Sensitive Zone of Karnala Bird Sanctuary.
	d.	Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.	: There is no adverse effect on the wildlife and birds in the sanctuary or Eco-Sensitive Zone.
	e.	Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If, yes, reason therefore	: No.
9.		Details of vegetation	
	a.	Total number of trees to be felled:	: Nil.
	b.	Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm:	: Nil.
	c.	Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm:	: Nil.
	d.	Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area	: Nil.
10.		Background note on the proposal (short summary)	: Project summary attached on Page No.
11.		Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached	: No violation.
12.		Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	: No.

13.	Details on catchments and cultivable command area under the project (if applicable)	: Nil
	Status of catchments area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable)	: Nil
14.	Utility of the Project	: This proposal is for non-Forest activities i.e., laying 10" Dia. LPG underground pipeline along with OFC in Protected and Reserved Forest land and its required only 0.0085 ha. forest land. This project is infrastructure and public utility project.
15.	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural / religious values? Whether any sacred grove or very old growth trees/forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion	: No.
16.	Any other important information related to the project (Separate note may be attached, if required)	: No.
17.	Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	: Photographs enclosed on Page No.
18.	Recommendations of the Inspecting Officer (CCF/CF/DCF)	: This proposal is for non-Forest activities i.e., laying 10" Dia. LPG underground pipeline along with OFC in Protected and Reserved Forest land. This project is infrastructure and public utility project. The Project proponent is ready to bear all the Government levies hence the proposal is being recommended for approval for diverting the required forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Date: 4/11/2022.

Place: Alibag

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 (ASHISH THAKARE)  
 Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
 Alibag.



## PROJECT NOTE

Senior Manager Pipeline project, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.0085 Ha Protected and Reserved Forest Land for Non-Forest activities i.e., laying 10" Dia. LPG underground pipeline along with OFC by BPCL in Karade Khurd and Karaded Kurd (Chavandholi) Taluka Panvel, District Raigad, Maharashtra.

There are alternate alignments are checked and proposed alignment is the required forest area is barest minimum for proposed laying 10" Dia LPG underground pipeline along with OFC by BPCL.

The user agency has not started non-forest activities on proposed forest land.

This proposal is for laying 10" Dia LPG underground pipeline along with OFC by BPCL in Karade khurd and Karaded Kurd (Chavandholi) Taluka Panvel, District Raigad, Maharashtra. This project is infrastructure and public utility project. The required forest land proposed for diversion is less than 1.00 ha.; therefore, the project authority is not proposed non-forest land for compensatory afforestation. The project authority is willing to bear the cost of compensatory afforestation and all Government levies as required by the Government.

Therefore, this proposal has been recommended for diversion of 0.0085 ha. Reserved Forest and Protected Forest land for non-forest purposes.

Date: 14/11/2022  
Place: Alibag

  
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Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Alibag

### Site Inspection Note

The under signed has inspected the proposed site on dated 27/10/2022, which is proposed for diversion of 0.0085 Ha Protected and Reserved Forest Land for Non-Forest activities i.e., laying 10" Dia. LPG underground pipeline along with OFC by BPCL in Karade Khurd and Karaded Kurd (Chavandholi) Taluka Panvel, District Raigad, Maharashtra.

When the undersigned visited the site, the project proponent indicated the required land of the Protected Forest S. No. 43 (Gut No. 101) of village Karade Khurd and Reserved Forest S. No. 26 (Gut No. 137) Karade Khurd (Chavandholi) in Taluka Panvel, District Raigad admeasuring 0.085 ha. for proposed non-forest activities i.e., laying 10" Dia LPG underground pipeline along with OFC by BPCL.

When the undersigned visited the site on 27/10/2022, it was observed that no non-forestry work has been started on Forest land. There are no tree felling in this proposed restored forest area.

The Private Forest area proposed for this project is unavoidable.

Date: 14/11/2022

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