SITE INSPECTION REPORT Diversion of forest land under FC Act.

A proposal has been received by this office from the Executive Engineer, P.H.E. Department, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21 for diversion (under FC Act' 1980) of 1.65 ha of forest land for non forestry purpose. The project use of forest land for construction of 1. Water Treatment Plant, (2) Master Balancing Reservoir (3) Raw Water Intermediate boosting station (4) Approach Road through Hahara Proposed Reserve Forest .Block No. Nil, Compartment No.- Nil. I have been inspected the site on -01/08/2020 and found the user agency has already constructed water tank, water filter, temporary houses with latrines and approach road by violating Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency falls in Hahara Proposed Reserve Forest. Block No. Nil, Compartment No. Nil measuring 1.65 ha in total area. The requirement of the forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col-II Part A1, Form-A is unavoidable and is barest minimum required by the user agency.

- The proposed diversion area had natural vegetation.
- The area consists of shrubs & herbs species.
- The forest area to be diverted is mostly hilly.
- The density of the forest area to be diverted for the project is 0.1% to 0.4%.

The construction of Water Supply Project through Hahara Proposed Reserve Forest would benefit the public (mostly tribal's) and in the interest of national interest. The proposed site is not a part of any protected area and not included in archeological heritage site of defense establishment. No rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna is reported or sighted so far in the area.

The proposed construction of water supply project in the site will not affect human habitat.

Therefore, the diversion proposal is recommended for acceptance.

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