

Recommendation Note

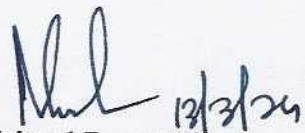
Details of Project

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| 1. Name | CHURI BENTI UNDERGROUND PROJECT |
| 2. Proposal No. | FP/JH/MIN/23021/2016 |
| 3. Forest Land applied for diversion | 281.17 Ha (65.84 Ha in Chatra South Forest Division) |
| 4. User Agency | CENTRAL COALFIELDS LIMITED |

The proposal has been submitted for underground coal mining over 65.84 ha of forest land which involves 48.59 Ha of notified forest land and 17.25 Ha GMJJ land. The forest land falls in Benti village of Tandwa forest range.

Though presence of mega herbivores such as Asian Elephants has not been reported in the nearby areas, there is presence of rock pythons, hyenas, Jackal, Jungle cats, porcupines in the area. As the subsidence of forest floor will cause collapsing of reptile habitat/ burrows and may alter the seasonal drainage, it is, therefore, recommended to mandate a Site-specific Wildlife Management Plan.,

The area was found to be moderately prone to erosion. Hence a Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan is necessary to recoup the area.



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