(15) Justification of the project over the forest land:- In view of the fact that the diversion of forest land is necessitated for construction of Additional Spillway of Hirakud Dam in the proposed diversion of forest land in Lamdungri RF to avoid flood water in downstream. The additional Spillway in the left dyke proposed with gates having higher height can avoid soil erosion in Gandhi Hillock.

Recommendation:- After examining the project proposal and verifying the ground reality through field visit, it is convinced that the Additional Spillway Project of Hirakud Dam is badly needed and the diversion of forest land cannot be avoided taking into account of the decision to carry out left side, one Additional Spillway towards Gandhi Minar to avoid flood water in downstream. It is recommended for acceptance of the proposal.

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