SITE INSPECTION REPORT

The proposed forest land for diversion is Notified Protected Forest of Bera Mouza, Dhanbad. The Total Notified Protected Forest of Bera Village is 80.55 Ha. A total of 64.06 Ha. was already diverted out of 80.55 Ha. PF of Bera Village as commuicated vide order no. F.No. 8-44/2009-FC dated 12.04.2012 (Stage-II). The major portion of 64.06 Ha. already diverted PF of Mouza Bera mainly falls in Doabri Colliery of Bastacolla Area, BCCL.

The remaining PF of Bera Mouza i.e. 16.49 Ha. falls in Kuya Colliery of Bastacolla Area, BCCL for which proposal has been submitted for diversion. The proposed forest land for diversion is surrounded by Dobari Colliery from North, East and West Direction whereas already diverted forest land of PF Ghanoodih is situated in South direction.

It has been observed that the proposed forest land for diversion is having about 10 years old plantation and prominent species such as Chakundi, Chhatni, Doka etc have been noticed. Further, no endangered/rare species of flora have been sighted during inspection.

After enquiring from local people, it was informed by them that there were few instances when Jackals have been sighted in the past. Further, due to close proximity to Dhanbad town and adjacent active mining areas of BCCL, the wildlife in proposed forest land for diversion is negligible.

As mine operation is a site specific activity and BCCL requires the proposed forest land for expansion of existing mine. Hence the proposed forest land is recommended for diversion.





Date of inspection: 13.11.2019

Presence of Officials:

- 1. Shri Bimal Lakra, IFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Dhanbad Forest Division.
- 2. Shri Soumen Chatterjee, General Manager, Bastacolla Area.
- 3. Shri P K Mishra, Addl. General Manager, Bastacolla Area.
- 4. Shri. S. B. Burnwal, Project Officer, Kuya Colliery.
- 5. Shri Arbind Kumar Mahto, Sr. Surveyor, Kuya Colliery.
- 6. Shri Sumit Kumar Jha, Area Manager (Env), Bastacolla Area.
- 7. Shri Ram Balak Prasad, RFO, Dhanbad Range & Field Staffs.

Conservator of Forest, Territorial Circle, Bokaro