

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

1.	Name of the Project.	Diversion of forest land over 0.051 ha involved in the Safety Zone area for approach road for transportation of Iron Ore from Khandbandh Iron & Mn. Mines by M/s Tata Steel Ltd.
2.	Name of District/ Division.	Keonjhar/ Keonjhar Forest Division.
3.	Date of Inspection.	24.09.2022
4.	Name and designation of Inspecting Officer.	Sri Dhanraj H.D, IFS Divisional Forest Officer. Keonjhar Division.
5.	Name and designation of the Officers who attended the Inspection including representative of user agency.	<p>1. Sri Sanjeeb Rout, I/c Dy. Range Officer, Champua Range.</p> <p>2. Sri Anirudha Panda, Forester, Joda Section</p> <p>3. Sri Neelam Mahanta Forest Guard, Joda Beat</p> <p>Representative of the User Agency</p> <p>1. G.V Satyanaryan, Chief, Khandabadh</p> <p>2. Pinku Kumar, Head, Planning, OMQ</p> <p>3. S.S. Mishra, Head, Khandabadh</p> <p>4. P.K. Mohapatra, Senior Manager, Land & Lease, Joda</p> <p>5. S.P. Singh, Senior Manager, Land & Lease, Khandabadh</p> <p>6. K.C. Dchuri, Manager Survey, Khandabadh</p>
6.	Legal Status of the Forest land with area Proposed for diversion	DLC Forest land - 0.051 ha Total forest land proposed for diversion- 0.051 ha
7.	If area required for diversion has been demarcated on the ground.	Yes

8. Item wise break up of forest land proposed for diversion.

Sl. No	Purpose of Utilization	DLC Forest Land (ha)	Total Forest Land (ha)
1	Approach Road (Length- 68 mtr x Width- 7.5 mtr)	0.051	0.051
Total		0.051	0.051

9.	Condition of Vegetation and type of forest in the applied area.	The forest land applied for diversion forms part of DLC Forest land. Baitarani RF falls under the forest type 3C/C2e(iii)- Moist Peninsular Valley Sal. The prevailing vegetation consists of Sal and its associates. Eco Value Class has been treated as "Eco Value Class - I" based on the prevailing forest type and the canopy density has been considered based on prevailing forest growth with canopy density swinging from 0.2 to 0.8 and the average canopy density has been kept at 0.4 .
10.	Position of Wildlife	Baitarani Reserved Forest is the dwelling habitat for leopard, bear, barking deer, hyena, porcupine and etc. Occasional visit of wild elephants from the neighbouring

		state Jharkhand. The area comes under the elephant habitat zone- 2 of ORSAC supplied Forest block wise canopy density maps based on Forest Survey of India. State of Forest Report 2019.
11.	Whether the applied area involves any Eco-Sensitive Zone / National Park / Sanctuary.	The applied area does not involve any Eco-Sensitive Zone / National Park / Sanctuary.
12.	No. of trees to be felled and its impact on the eco-system.	There are 20 Nos. of sound trees and 4 Nos. of unsound trees (total Nos 24) standing in the DLC forest land proposed for diversion of 0.051 ha. The species wise and diameter class wise abstract of total enumerated trees is enclosed as Annexure – X V
13.	Details of broken up land and reclamation done if any.	Not applicable
14.	Position of displacement of people and adequacy of rehabilitation, if any.	Not applicable
15.	Position of rare and endangered species available and importance of the applied area from archeological point of view.	No rare or endangered species is available in the applied diversion area. There is no archaeologically important monument situated in the area.
16.	Non-forest land selected for Compensatory afforestation has been included in the D.L.C. report or not.	Not applicable
17.	Suitability of the identified non-forest land/ degraded Forestland for Compensatory afforestation.	Not applicable
18.	Violation of Forest (Conservation) Act. 1980 if any and action taken thereon.	No violation has been committed in respect of the forest land proposed for diversion under FC Act. 1980 for approach road passing through the safety zone area for transportation of Iron Ore from Khandbandh Iron & Mn. Mines by M/s Tata Steel Ltd


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 Keonjhar Division