

Site Inspection report of Divisional Forest Officer, Rohtas

Site Inspection Report for widening of 201.665 to 245.665 km section of NH 120 between Bikramganj and Dumraon

The site in question is proposed for widening of 201.665 to 245.665 km section of NH 120 between Bikramganj and Dumraon. The area falls alongside Dumraon-Bikramganj-Nasriganj road which is notified as a protected forest vide Govt. of Bihar notification no. 97/91-189E, dated 16.02.1994. The site inspection was made on various dates previously and the final inspection was made on 04.04.2022.

The area of the project is divided into L.H.S and R.H.S. and accordingly tree enumeration list accompanied by a Tree Protection Plan (TPP) has been prepared for both the sides separately by an arborist hired by the user agency which has been verified jointly by the Range officer of Forests, Bikramganj and Executive Engineer, NH Division Gaya. The TPP has been submitted for approval to Director Ecology, Patna Bihar vide this office letter No. 1107 dated 07.04.2022. The summary of TPP is as follows:

S No.	Zone Name	Total Trees	Trees marked to be left as it is	Trees marked to be transplanted	Trees marked to be felled
1	R.H.S.	1199	781	317	101
2	L.H.S.	1084	734	283	67
	Total	2283	1515	600	168

The total length of the road falling under Rohtas Forest Division is 17.080 Km. The road is divided into three sections TCS-I, TCS-II and TCS-III with ROW being 11, 11.5 and 11.5 m respectively. Therefore, a total of 18.87 Hectares of Land area is required by the user agency for the widening of above road section.

The major faunal species found in the area are Blackbuck and Blue Bull. However no major disturbance is expected to be caused to the flora and fauna in the area. Neither any archaeological site is present near the proposed outlet. The forest Area demarcated for diversion is barest minimum required for the project and the user agency has tried to save as many trees as possible without jeopardizing the viability of the project. The user agency has not done any work on the site in violation of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

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