SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DFO SARAN

Date of inspection: 21-03-2023 & 31-03-2023

Site Name: Four Laning of Ghazipur-Ballia-UP/Bihar Greenfield Section from Km. 0.000 to Km. 117.120 of NH-19 (*NH 31 new name*) including Buxar Spur (Length: 17.800 Km.) in the State of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

Type of Work: Widening of the existing road.

Persons Present During site inspection: Sweety Kumari, RoF Chappra (Trainee); Banke Paswan, Forester cum Ranger Incharge officer, Chappra; Md Amanul Haque, Amin, DFO Office; Shubham Kumar, Forest Guard and Chandra Gunjan from the side of user agency was present.

Inspection Remarks: The proposed project is for road widening. The length of notified road to be diverted for the project is around 2.5km. On the inspection date of 21-03-2023, user agency has done marking of 203 trees for felling. It was informed by user agency that upto Rivilganj Ghat halt NHAI will be doing road construction after that the project will be continued by another user agency. But it was found that some trees under the project area of 5.6ha was not numbered. So, it was requested by user agency to complete the numbering and resubmit the tree enumeration list again. The revised Tree enumeration list submitted by Range Officer of Forests, Chappra and User agency has the list of 223 (Two Hundred and Twenty-Three) trees present at the proposed site. It was again reverified on 31-03-2023.

1. Translocating/felling of trees present on the left and the right side of the proposed road is essential for road widening project.

- There are no wildlife sanctuaries near to the proposed site in Bihar s. But as per information from user agency, Jai Prakash Bird Sanctuary, Basanthpur, Uttar Pradesh is located at the distance of 59 km from the proposed site.
- 3. There is no rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora & fauna found in the area, neither any archaeological site is present near the proposed site.
- 4. The user agency has not done any construction on the proposed site

Hence, the proposal may be approved under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by the competent authority.

Divisional Forest Officer, Saran Forest Division, Chapra

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