

Recommendation

Proposal No. FP/JH/TRANS/41236/2019

The 400 KV D/C North Karanpura to Gaya transmission line project passes through one of the worst affected Human-Elephant conflict area of Jharkhand. This proposed transmission line will run through 12.4 km (3.3 km in forest and 9.1 km in non-forest) in Latehar Forest Division amounting to a total of 57.2 ha (15.3 ha in forest and 41.9 ha in non-forest) which will further fragment the habitat and aggravate the already existing Human-Elephant conflict issue. Therefore a site specific Wildlife Management Plan focusing on Elephant and their habitat (an elephant rehabilitation centre/camp can be set up as a part of mitigation measure at suitable location near affected area) must be prepared by the User Agency under the guidance of concerned DFO. On the presumption that User Agency will bear the cost of implementation of an effective Wildlife Management Plan, this project is recommended such that development and wildlife conservation go hand in hand.

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