## APPENDIX IV.

Joint Settlement Enquiry Report on the Dudhi Government Estate Forests, conducted by Mr. M. Shaukat Husain, Special Forest Officer, Mirzapur and Pt. Rajpat Tripathi, Naib Tehsildar

## Introduction.

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1. On the basis of a report by Mr. Davis who inspected Dudhi Estate Forests as Conservator of Forests. Working Plans Circle, during January and Fabruary 1941, the Government issued the following order vide G. O. No. 369/1941, dated December 18, 1942.

"With reference to your letter No. 2055/XI-66IB, dated June 19, 1942, I am directed to say that subject to the orders contained in the succeeding paras, the Governor has been pleased to approve of the proposal to transfer from the control of the Revenue Department to that of the Forests Department, the administration and the finances of the protected forest of the Dudhi Government Estate and also of such areas of Katat forests in that Estate as may after the necessary inquiries be notified as protected lorests. The Governor also agrees with the Board that the primary object of the management of these forests should be declared as the satisfaction of the legitimate requirements of the inhabitants of the Estate in respect of forest produce and grazing and that the exploitation of the forest resources for the purpose of obtaining the maximum revenue shall be only a secondary consideration. Matters concerning the tenants of the estate, their concessions in the forest and the general welfare of the estate, will continue to remain subject to the ultimate control of the Revenne authorities, and such safeguards as may be necessary to bring this into effect shalf be provided for in the detailed rules for the working of the forest administration.

2. The Board have suggested that if the Forest Department take over the Dudhi Estate forests, the latter should be notified as.

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of soil they cannot retain water for long. Consequently during summer, in some places the inhabitants have to depend for their supplies on pools dug in the dry sandy beds of the streams that otherwise go lry. Due to shortage of water many cattle belonging to the Estate tenants are taken out into the neighbouring (Sarguja State and brought back to Dudhi Estate sometime after the break of rains.

17. Distribution of area—The protected forests or rakhats as they are called locally, were heretofore divided into A, B and C classes, covering the following areas:—

| Class | Acres            |
|-------|------------------|
| ai A  | 1,00,932         |
| B. C  | 31,101<br>25,062 |

Class A forests were those declared as fully reserved during the settlement operations of 1871-1876 and generally consisted of all the larger blocks of forests. Class B forests were declared as reserved in 1907 while class C protected forests were declared as such in 1919. These class B and C forests were generally in comparatively small blocks; sometimes contiguous with the larger class A blocks, and sometimes isolated therefrom. In 1927, class A and B forests ceased to be fully reserved and along with the more recently protected class C forests were re-notified as protected forests. In 1932, 3 new blocks were further notified as protected forests and included in class B. All forests of classes A, B and

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## APPENDIX 'B'

## (Of Joint Settlement Enquiry Report) List of Blocks

| Name of forest  | Tehsil | Tappa | Approxi-<br>mate<br>area in<br>acres | Commercial<br>or<br>Village | Brief description of the block boundaries  |
|-----------------|--------|-------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| . 1             | 2      | 3 .   | - 4                                  | 5                           | 6  |
| Ghagra          | Dudh   | Barha | 482                                  | Commercial                  | North- Cut and cleared bound-<br>ary line.   |
|                 |        |       |                                      |                             | South- Marghatia nala.   |
| Burwer          | ,,     | 5.    | 896                                  | ,,                          | East- Cut and cleared bound-<br>ary line and a nala.  North- Cut and cleared bound-<br>ary line. |
| Ϊ,              |        |       |                                      |                             | West-  |
|                 |        | *     |                                      | in the second               | South-   |
| Babhani Babhani | ,,     | "     | 8,462                                | ,,                          | North- Cut and cleared bound-  |
|                 |        |       | 0                                    |                             | ary line of this block<br>and boundary lines of<br>Duba and Cheri Com-<br>mercial blocks.        |

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| de la | Vama of forest | Tehsil | apl     | pproxi-<br>mate<br>area in<br>acres | Commercial<br>or<br>Village | Brief description of the block ; boundaries  |
|---|----------------|--------|---------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| S L                                       | 1              | 2      | 3       | 4                                   | 5                           | <b>6</b>   |
| ;<br>;                                    | Baleri -       | Dudhi  | Barha . | 80                                  | Village                     | North-East- A nala.  West- Muirpur-Rantola road.   |
|   |                |        |         |                                     |                             | South- Cut and cleared Bound-<br>ary line.  East- Boundary line between<br>this block and Bagainar<br>Commercial forest. |
|   | Ajangit        | ·a "   | ,,      | 696                                 | **                          | North- Cut and cleared bound-<br>ary line.  West-  South-  East-   |
|   | Murdh<br>wa    | ,,     | Dudl    | hi 12,282                           | Commer                      | North- Boundary line of Sing-<br>rauli Estate.   |
|   |                |        |         |                                     |                             | West- Rihand river, cut and cleared boundary line between this block and Nihaipathar Village forest.                     |
|   |                |        |         |                                     |                             | South-Dongia nar and cut and cleared boundary line.  |
|   |                |        |         |                                     |                             | East- Cut and cleared boundary line between this block and Hathinala Commercial forest.                                  |

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| Name of forest | Tehsil | Тарра                                 | Approxi-<br>mate<br>area in<br>acres | Commer-<br>cial or<br>village | Brief description of the<br>block boundaries  |
|----------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1              | 2      | 3                                     | 4                                    | 5                             | 6   |
| Bagain         | Dudhi  | Gonda<br>Bajia<br>Dudhi<br>Bar-<br>ha | 2,393 >                              | Commer-<br>cial               | North- Cut and cleared boundary line and boundary line between this block and Kataundhi Commercial forest.                                |
|                |        |                                       |                                      |                               | West- Cut and cleared bound-<br>ary line and boundary<br>line between this block<br>and Baleri village for-<br>est.                       |
|                |        |                                       |                                      |                               | South- Cut and cleared boundary line.  East- Cut and cleared boundary line and boundary line between this block and Jharo village forest. |
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