

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Diversion of 0.4047 ha of forest land for extension of Sewerage Plant Scheme for Jorethang town in South Sikkim by Public Health Department, Govt. of Sikkim.

1. Legal status of forestland proposed for diversion: **0.4047 ha**
2. Item wise break up of details of forest land proposed for diversion:

Sl. No.	Component	Name and Status of Forest land	Area (in Ha)
1.	Sewerage Plant	RF	0.4047
Total			0.4047

3. Details of construction of buildings (if any)
Not applicable

4. Total cost of project at present rates
The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 3893.5639/- lakhs.

5. Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view:
No.

6. **Vegetation:** The area identified for the project is a stable land. Necessary care during and after the completion of the project shall be taken up to protect and conserve the bio diversity of the area.

7. Details of fauna

Mammals: Monkey, Barking deer (*Muntiacus muntjac*), Civet cat (*Viverasp*), etc.

Reptiles, Birds, Butterflies are also found in the forest area proposed for diversion.

8. **Background note on the proposal:** Jorethang is a small town situated beside Rangit river in South Sikkim. This place is a main business centre for South and west district of Sikkim, with a population of 9009 as per the report released by the Census India 2011. Being a main business centre population of Jorethang town is increasing day by day and till date there is no proper set up for sewerage treatment. Therefore the need for a new sewerage treatment plant is of utmost importance.

9. Compensatory Afforestation:

Land for CA is appropriate for plantation & management point of view	: Yes
Land for CA is free from encroachment/other incumbencies	: Yes

Land for CA is important from religious/archaeological point of view				: No	
Number of patches involved in land identified for CA				: one	
Sl. No	Location	Range	Plantation area (ha.)	SMC Work (in ha.)	Division
i.	Chirbireytar (RF)	Melli	1	0.25	South Territorial Division
Map of area selected for CA			: Enclosed		
Total financial outlay			:The total cost of Compensatory Afforestation scheme in Forest land along with maintenance and protection is Rs. 1,50,504/- Rupees (one lakh fifty thousand five hundred four) only		

10. Whether proposal involves violation of FCA, 1980 or not. If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken.

No violation has been observed till date.

11. The requirement of forestland as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommend area item-wise with details of alternative examined.


The area requirement of forestland as proposed by the user agency for diversion is unavoidable and is the barest minimum.

12. Details on catchments and command area under the project and catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir.

N.A.

13. Cost-Benefit ratio (only in case if diverted area is >5 ha)

N.A.


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