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**Site Inspection Report for the FCA proposal bearing  
Acknowledgement No: FP/JH/ROAD/42722/2019**

Name of Project: Strengthening and Widening of Chaibasa -Tonto -Roam Road.

Date of Inspection: 17.02.2022

Proposed area of Forest Diversion- 21.931 ha (Kolhan Division- 11.093 Ha,  
Chaibasa Division- 10.838 Ha)

The proposal has been received from Executive Engineer, Road Construction Department, Road Division, Chaibasa for the diversion of 21.931 ha of Forest land for strengthening and widening of Chaibasa-Tonto-Roam Road. Proposed road passes through two divisions - Kolhan Forest Division and Chaibasa Forest Division. The site inspection of the section of the road under the jurisdiction of Kolhan Forest Division was done on 17.02.2022 in presence of Assistant Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Chaibasa, Range Forest Officer, Santra Forest Range, Forest Guards of Santra Range and other representatives of user agency.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the forest land required by the User Agency in Kolhan Division is 11.093 Ha which is spread in 05 mauzas (Luiya, Banki, Kuilsuta, Kadalsokwa & Bundu) and Latua Reserve Forest (Compartment No-9,8,52,6,44,39,5). The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and is bare minimum required for the project.

The breakup of forest land proposed for diversion is as follows: -

Sl. No.	Block	Village/ Mauza	Plot No.	Forest Land(acre)	Jungle-Jhari land (acre)	Status of land
1.	Tonto	Luiya	156		.161	Jungle-Jhari
			371		.224	
2.	Banki		32		.007	Jungle-Jhari
			290		.001	
			686		.010	
3.	Kuilsuta		7		.289	Jungle-Jhari
			62		.191	
			134/545	.015		Protected Forest

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4.	Tonto	Kadalsok wa	104		.008	Jungle-Jhari
			142		.262	
			103		.518	
			103/689		.043	
			146		.344	
			215		.560	
			548		.428	
			552		.133	
			559		.027	
			677		.497	
			5.	Latua RF	LA- 9	
LA- 8	6.182					
LA-52	2.910					
LA-6	3.101					
LA-44	1.892					
LA-39	1.502					
LA_5	2.354					
6.	Bundu	137		.017	Jungle-Jhari	
		432		.088		
		439		.401		
		569		.566		
		573		1.469		
<b>Total(acre)</b>			21.168	6.244		
<b>Total (ha)</b>			8.567	2.526		
<b>Total (Notified Forest + Jungle Jhari) in ha.</b>			<b>11.093</b>			

The proposed forest area to be diverted in Kolhan Division has Dense vegetation with average canopy density of .65 with Site Quality III.

As this linear project is located in notified elephant reserve i.e., Singhbhum Elephant Reserve, mitigative measures/plan would be needed to reduce the impact of the project on mega fauna as well as other fauna in the region.

Also, the area proposed for diversion in Kolhan Forest Division has undulating hilly terrain. Felling of trees may lead to erosion of soil. Slope stabilization measures are needed.

The User agency has not violated the provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

The proposed project is recommended in larger public interest.

  
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