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BASISTHA, GUWAHATI

Site Inspection Report and Recommendations

1. Diversion of 18.028 ha. of forest land has been proposed for laying 132 KV power Transmission Line over ground. The stretch falls between Agia GSS to Goalpara TSS in Rakhsyini PRF under Sadar Range of Goalpara Forest Division.
2. No tree felling is required in the forest area proposed for diversion over which the power transmission line will be laid. Further, the proposed diversion of forest land is unavoidable for the project and the forest area proposed to be diverted in the minimum required.
3. Through it is a fact that wild elephants move through the proposed area of diversion, due to adequate ground clearance, the power Transmission Line will not obstruct the movement of wild elephants.
4. Agia to Matia 132 KV Transmission Line already exists in the same area, and the proposed 132 KV Transmission Line under consideration will be laid parallel to it.

5. Recommendation:

In view of the factual matrix put forth here- in- before, diversion of 18.028 ha of forest land for laying of 132 KV over ground Transmission Line from Agia GSS to Goalpara TSS under Rakhsyini PRF in Sadar Range under Goalpara Forest Division is recommended in the interest of electrification of railway track subject to the following-

- (i) NF Railway will provide a sum of Rs. 2.00 crore (rupees two crore) to improve and expand the habitat of wild elephants and infrastructure development for protection/ conservation of forests and wildlife of the surrounding area.
- (ii) NF Railway will continue to follow the existing speed restriction after electrification of the railway track.


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