

SITE INSPECTON REPORT OF DFO, SUNDARGARH

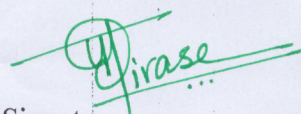
1	Name of Project	Diversion of 227.62 ha of forest land of Basundhara (Extension) Open cast Coal Mining Project of Mahalaxmi Area of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited			
2	Proposal No	FP/OR/MIN/20559/2016			
3	Name of District / Division	Sundargarh/ Sundargarh Forest Division			
4	Date of Inspection	23.08.2023			
5	Name and Designation of Inspecting Officer	Sri Pradeep Mirase, IFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Sundargarh Forest Division, Sundargarh (Odisha).			
6	Name and Designation of other officers who attended the inspection including representatives of the user agency	1. Sri A. Namjoshi, GM Mahalaxmi Area of MCL. 2. Sri P.K. Nayak, Project Officer (Basundhara (West) OCP) 3. Sri Raji Joshua, Staff Officer (E&F) MCL. 4. Sri P.C. Mishra, Area Survey Officer, MCL. 5. Sri Sujay Das, N.O. (E&F) Mahalaxmi Area, MCL. 6. Sri Harihar Patra, Range Officer, Gopalpur Range. 7. Sri Ullash Patel, Forester, Gopalpur & Sri Mitrabhanu Patel, Forester, Duduka.			
7	Legal status of forest land with area proposed for diversion	Revenue Forest Land& Reserve Forest land& Revenue land.			
8	Item wise breakup of forest land proposed for diversion	Purpose Diversion of forest land for non-forestry use in respect of B(W) Extension OCP. Total	Reserve Forest (in ha) 6.062 6.062	Revenue Forest (in ha) 221.558 221.558	Total in (ha) 227.62 227.62

9	Condition of vegetation and type of forest applied area	<p>Degraded Forest growth having density involved in the diversion proposal is as follows:</p> <p>1. Reserve Forest:</p> <table><tr><th>Reserve Forest</th><th>Area in ha</th><th>Canopy Density</th><th>Eco-Class</th><th>Forest growth</th></tr><tr><td>Jamkani (RF)</td><td>6.062</td><td>0.5-0.6</td><td>II</td><td>VDF/DF</td></tr><tr><td>Total:-</td><td>6.062</td><td>0.5-0.6</td><td>II</td><td></td></tr></table> <p>2. Revenue Forest:-</p> <table><tr><th>Village</th><th>Area in ha</th><th>Canopy Density</th><th>Eco-Class</th><th>Forest growth</th></tr><tr><td>Gopalpur</td><td>184.622</td><td>0.3-0.4</td><td>II</td><td>Open Forest</td></tr><tr><td>Ratansara</td><td>36.936</td><td>0.3-0.4</td><td>II</td><td>Open Forest</td></tr><tr><td>Total:-</td><td>221.558</td><td>0.3-0.4</td><td>II</td><td></td></tr></table>	Reserve Forest	Area in ha	Canopy Density	Eco-Class	Forest growth	Jamkani (RF)	6.062	0.5-0.6	II	VDF/DF	Total:-	6.062	0.5-0.6	II		Village	Area in ha	Canopy Density	Eco-Class	Forest growth	Gopalpur	184.622	0.3-0.4	II	Open Forest	Ratansara	36.936	0.3-0.4	II	Open Forest	Total:-	221.558	0.3-0.4	II	
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10	Position of Wildlife in general	Movement of Wildlife like Fox, Wild Boar, Rabbit, Jungle Cat, Jungle Hen etc, was reported by Forester as well as surveyors. However, there is spare presence & movement in the area.																																			
11	Whether the applied area is involved with any eco-sensitive area / national park/ sanctuary	No																																			
12	No. of trees to be felled and its impact on the systems	57113 trees are needed to be felled in phase manner at page-40(c) in D/P.																																			
13	Details of broken up area and reclamation done if any.	Not applicable																																			
14	Position of displacement of people and adequacy of rehabilitation, if any.	The displacement of people like- 119nos. of ST, 60 nos. of SC & Others-40 nos. of Village Gopalpur & 70nos. ST, 35 nos. of SC & 12 nos. of Others of Village Ratansara involved in the Project at page-153 in D/P.																																			

15	Position of rare and endangered species available of importance of area from eco-social point of view.	Available important species in the area i.e Char, Mahul, Tentuli, Mango, Kendu & Bel, etc. The nearby forest dependent communities collect the seeds, fruits, leaves, etc, of these trees.
16	Non forest land used in the project and non-forest land selected for compensatory afforestation is included in the D.L.C. report or not.	Non-Forest land-45.010ha involved in the project. The Compensatory Afforestation land identify by the DFO, Koraput over 457.22Ha of degraded forest land in Sunki PRF-45.160Ha, Raledega-PRF(Patch-I)-100.229Ha, Raledega-PRF(Patch-II)-94.979Ha, Raledega-PRF(Patch-III)-21.090Ha of Similiguda Range, Bhimdol RF-107.078Ha, Kavidimal RF-41.006Ha of Balda Range & Chandalbuda RF-47.678Ha of Koraput Range in Kuraput Forest Division.
17	Suitability of the identified non forest area for compensatory afforestation.	The DFO, Koraput Forest Division has provide the suitability certificate over 457.22Ha of degraded forest land at page-94 in D/P.
18	Violation of forest (Conservation) Act 1980 if any and action taken thereof	No violation of forest land

Date: - 12/12/2024

Place: Sundargarh


Signature

DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
SUNDARGARH FOREST DIVISION