

## Site Inspection Report

A proposal has been received in this office from Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited for diversion of 8.74 ha. of forest land. The plot wise breakup of the forest land proposed for diversion is as follows :-

Village	Plot No.	Area (Acre)
Shrirampur	790(P)	6.80
	791(P)	0.20
Shikhardih	78(P)	14.60
<b>Total</b>		<b>21.60</b>

Site Inspection of the proposed area was carried out on 23.08.2019. The forest area proposed for diversion i.e. 21.60 acre forms part of total 25 acres of land which was allotted to HPCL by Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority (AIADA) in 1998. The entire 25 acres of land is surrounded by boundary wall and LPG bottling plant is functional within the premises.

Now HPCL seeks to expand its storage capacity within the existing area and one of the conditions for grant of Environmental clearance to the above activity is, "Environmental clearance shall be valid subject to clearance of proposal no. FP/JH/IND/33374/2018 under sec(2) of the forest (conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of fresh forest area." Till date, the proposed forest land has not been diverted under the provision of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Therefore, a proposal has been submitted by HPCL for diversion of proposed forest area. During the site inspection it was found that there are 1309 trees in the proposed area, majority of which have been planted by user agency along the boundary in the form of green belt and the density of the proposed area is about 0.3. Tree enumeration and demarcation of the area to be diverted was found to be correct.

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