



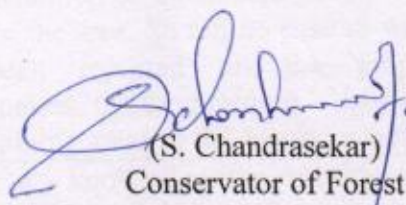
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Site Inspection Note

**Sub:** -Inspection of Project Site for Rural Road Construction from Amara - Bagahi Kala Harijan Tola under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) under Gaya Forest Range, Gaya Forest Division on 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 by Shri. S. Chandrasekar, IFS., Conservator of Forest, Gaya Forest Circle, Gaya, Bihar:

The instant project site proposed for diversion of forest land for rural road construction by the applicant Executive Engineer, Rural Works Department, Work Division - Neemchak Bathani, Gaya (User Agency), located at between Village - Amara to Bagahi Kala Harijan Tola in district - Gaya (PMGSY Package no. BR-12-R-567, T04) is falling under Gaya Forest Range, Gaya Forest Division was inspected by the undersigned on 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 in the presence of the applicant Executive Engineer; Divisional Forest Officer, Gaya Forest Division; Range Officer of Forest, Gaya Forest Range of the Gaya Forest Division.

The proposed forest land for diversion for the instant rural road project falls under the notified Sohaipur Protected forest, which was notified vide Department of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of Bihar's notification no. C/PF-10148/52-24R dated 02.01.2013 and area proposed for diversion is 0.536 Ha. The total length of the rural road under reference is 2.034 Kms among which 0.536 Km falls inside the above said notified protected forest, with 10 meters width. The said forest land identified for diversion has no trees and does not form any part of National Park or Wildlife Sanctuary, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor, etc. Also, the proposed forest land does not form the part of Eco-Sensitive Zone of any of the Protected Areas in Gaya district. No endangered and rare tree or animal species were found in the proposed forest land for diversion. The proposed area is the barest minimum required for the user agency to construct the instant rural road and has no other alternative than this proposed forest land to construct this instant rural road in the existing alignment of the unmetalled road in use for long. Nilgai is found free ranging throughout the Gaya district. Jackal, hare, common langur, etc. are the wild animals commonly found in the adjoining forest areas. This instant project in no way appears to affect the presence of these wildlife in the area. The user agency has not started the work in the proposed forest land, meaning the user agency has not violated the provisions of Indian Forest Act and the Forest Conservation Act.

  
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