

Site Inspection Report

Inspection Note on the Proposal for diversion of 32.693 hac of deem Forest land in respect of Cement Plant premises of Hill Cement Company Limited at Mynkree in East Jaintia Hills District.

The inspection was carried on in the field on Friday the 18th February, 2022 along with the Staffs of Jaintia Hills Territorial Division, Jowai.


A proposal seeking Forest Clearance (U/S.2. (Forest Conservation) Act 1980) for an area of deemed forest land of 32.693ha within the plant premises area in respect of Hill Cement Company Limited. The company have submitted the said proposal in compliance of the JIT-I report submitted based on the Joint inspection conducted by the APCCF, Regional Office under MoEF & CC Shillong and State Forest Department, Meghalaya Shillong in the year 2012. As per the report, it is mentioned that out of the whole cement plant premises area of 68.313Ha Forest land, and hence, the company submitted the proposal to seek Forest clearance u/s.2 of FCA 1980.

1. The area proposed for seeking forest clearance (u/s.2. (Forest Conservation) Act 1980) measured to be 32.693ha and is a part of plant premises area of 64.313ha (excluding the limestone mine of 4ha).
2. Out of the proposed area mentioned above, an area of 9.59ha is a mainly consists of Shrubs, herbs and some few scattered tress namely Schema wallichii, Costonopsis spp, few miscellaneous spp. and few numbers of bamboo clumps.
3. An area of 12.12ha has already broken for construction of Manthir, Effluent Treatment Plant, labour colony and other allied activities. As reported by the User agency the cement plant and other ancillary structures were established in the plant premises area of 68.313ha (The broken area of 12.12ha is also a part of it).
4. In addition, the proposed area is not a part of Protected/Reserved Forest notified in the State of Meghalaya.
5. There is no protected archaeological/heritage sites/defence establishments has been found nearby areas.
6. There is no notified Bio Diversity Heritage sites notice in the nearby areas.

7. The requirement of forest land of 32.693ha as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and the barest minimum required for the Green belt development for the Cement plant in operation, Lime stone mining site of 4ha and other ancillary activities related to the Hill Cement Company Ltd. The proposal submitted by the user agency is very much important for cement Plant to comply the conditions stipulated under EIA Notifications (Revised) 2006 issued by the MoEF & CC. The ancillary structures proposed to be established (within the proposed area) may likely to increase the production capacity of the plant to cater the needs of the cement for the developmental works in the state and the entire North East India. The proposed mentioned above is not only beneficial to cater the needs of the cement in the developmental works in the state but also will generate employments for the general public in the district. Considering the above, it is recommended for further processing and to grant approval under Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Place: Shillong, Meghalaya.

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