

Site inspection Report in respect of diversion of 5.47 ha of forest land for construction of oil & gas well drilling including approach road at location TULD of Mouja Silachari under DFO, Gomati

The site inspection was jointly done by Forest Department Officials and representatives from user Agency & Revenue Department (Tehsilder Silachari TK) on 12/04/2022. The following officers were present.

From Forest Department:-

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From User Agency:-

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5. Shri.Dhanya Lian Hrangkhawl, Tehsilder.
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Upon inspection of the site, it was found that the proposed forest land required by the User Agency falls under Karbook Sub-Division comprising 5.47 ha of forest land under Gomati Forest District. The requirement of forest land proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and the proposed area is the barest minimum required for the project.

The salient features of the forest area proposed for diversion as found during site inspection are as follows:

1. Approach road for TULC area drilling site is almost 5-6 KM long and along both side of this approach road having pristine, green, very high density miscellaneous forest including some wildlife. The approach road will negatively expose around 1000 hectares of virgin,green,pristine, very high density forest to Anthropogenic pressure including illegal wood smuggler, Jhum cultivator and most importantly illegal rubber plantation. Therefore necessary precautions need to be given (measures already mentioned in special recommendation of TULC).
2. There is no any protected archaeological/heritage site /defence establishment or any other important monument.
3. The density of the area proposed for diversion is found to be around 50 percent.
4. The User Agency has not violated any provisions of the FCA and no work has been started without necessary clearance.
5. The area does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary; Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve.


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