

## SITE INSPECTION REPORT

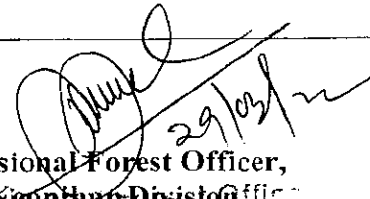
1.	Name of the Project.	Proposal for re-diversion of 0.181 ha (0.113 ha in Keonjhar Division and 0.068 ha in Bonai Division) forest land for laying 132 kv underground power cable over a distance of 6.751 Km along the RoW of NH-520 (earlier- 215) and the approach road from NH- 520 to Kamanda Steel Plant for change in land use of M/s. Rungta Mines Ltd.
2.	Name of District/ Division.	Keonjhar/ Keonjhar Forest Division.
3.	Date of Inspection.	25.03.2022
4.	Name and designation of Inspecting Officer.	Dhanraj H.D, IFS Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division.
5.	Name and designation of the Officers who attended the Inspection including representative of user agency.	1). Sanjib Kumar Rout, I/C Dy. Range Officer, Barbil Range. 2). Akshya Kumar Mohanty Forester, Guali Section 3) Dologobinda Deo Forest Guard, Kendudihi Beat  Representative Of The User Agency. Sri Hirak Mazumder, Director M/s Rungta Mines Ltd Sri Pranay Kumar Deo, Chief GM- Commercial M/s Rungta Mines Ltd Sri Ajaya Mallick, AVP- Electrical M/s Rungta Mines Ltd
6.	Legal Status of the Forest land with area Proposed for diversion	The proposed forest re-diversion proposal for laying of 132 KV underground power Cables involves- Revenue forest = 0.107 Ha Sabik Kisam Forest = 0.006 ha <b>Total = 0.113 ha</b> Total forest land proposed for re-diversion for underground laying of 132 KV Electric Cables – <b>0.113 ha.</b>
7.	If area required for diversion has been demarcated on the ground.	Yes

## 8. Item wise break up of forest land proposed for diversion.

Sl. No	Item	Forest (in ha)	Non Forest (in ha)	Total (in ha)
1	Laying Underground Power Cable	0.113	0.188	0.301
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0.113</b>	<b>0.188</b>	<b>0.301</b>

9.	Condition of Vegetation and type of forest in the applied area.	The proposed project will be laid underground along the road and within the RoW for laying of 132 KV underground power cable line in forest stretch as per MoEF & CC guideline dated 12.12.2017. The power cable line in NH utility corridor will pass from Tower No-87 in Village Topadihi to Tower No-92 in Village Nuagaon (length 3.013 Km) in Keonjhar district and from Tower No-106 in village Rengalbeda, through Kasira & Kusumdihi villages in Bonai forest division of sundargarh District (Length 3.340 km along the RoW of NH-520 + 0.398 KM along the RoW
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		of the approach road that is from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant of M/S Rungta Mines Ltd). In Kusumdihi Village the underground power cable will finally pass through the RoW of the approach road (diverted 0.28 ha forest land) from NH-520 to Kamanda Steel Plant of M/S Rungta Mines Ltd .
10	Position of Wildlife	<p>No rare or endangered species is available in the applied area for diversion for underground laying of Power Cable, but elephant movement cannot be ruled out.</p> <p>The average density taken into consideration is <b>0.3</b>, ECO Class-I considering that of nearby Sidhmata RF which has maximum coverage under Open Forest category (Canopy density 0.1-0.4) as per ORSAC supplied Forest block wise canopy density maps based on Forest Survey of India, State of Forest Report 2019.</p>
11	Whether the applied area involves any Eco-Sensitive Zone / National Park / Sanctuary.	The applied area does not involve any Eco-Sensitive Zone / National Park / Sanctuary.
12	No. of trees to be felled and its impact on the eco-system.	No tree will be felled for laying of 132 KV underground power Cable within the existing RoW of the roads. Un-felled Sal trees in diverted forest land of RoW of NH-215 will be maintained as Green belt. The user agency shall be laid transmission line in of 64 cm boreholes at 4m depth will not affect trees above and tree felling is involved.
13	Details of broken up land and reclamation done if any.	N/A
14	Position of displacement of people and adequacy of rehabilitation, if any.	N/A
15	Position of rare and endangered species available and importance of the applied area from archeological point of view.	No rare or endangered species is available in the applied area for diversion for laying of 132KV underground power Cable, but elephant movement cannot be ruled out. There is no archaeologically important monument situated in the area.
16	Non-forest land selected for Compensatory afforestation has been included in the D.L.C. report or not.	N/A
17	Suitability of the identified non-forest land/ degraded Forestland for Compensatory afforestation.	N/A
18	Violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 if any and action taken thereon.	No violation of the FC Act, 1980 is committed by the Project Proponent in respect of the forest land proposed for diversion for underground laying of 132 KV underground Power Cable. There is no Court Matter Pending in respect of the submitted Proposal and the Undertaking furnished by the Project Proponent to this effect is enclosed herewith as <b>Annexure- VIII(A)</b> .

  
 Divisional Forest Officer,  
 Keonjhar Division