

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

S. No.	Items	Observation and Remarks				
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	Road from GarhSamnabanj to Marila Rajundi, Range Ramkot, Beats: Garh & Marhala				
2	Name of User Agency	Executive Engineer, PMGSY Division, Ramnagar				
3	Date(s) of Site Inspection	11.09.2020				
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of Forest land proposed for diversion	1.98 Ha. The Forest Land proposed for diversion falls in the category of "Reserved Forest"				
5	a) Details of Forest land proposed for diversion and activity wise breakup of forest land.	Name of Range	Items of work/purpose	Forest Land Required		
				Compartment No.	Area	
					Sq. m.	Ha.
			Construction of Road from RD 0 to 2225	20a/Rkt & 22/Rkt	11450	1.145
			Construction of Road from RD 2675 to 3300		3125	0.3125
			Dumping site at RD 0 to 50	20a/Rkt	2000	0.2
			Dumping site at RD 575 to 625	20a/Rkt	2000	0.2
			Dumping site at RD 1150 to 1200	22/Rkt	1250	0.125
	Total area required for the project				19825	1.9825
b) Density and Eco- value class		Density - 0.8 and Eco-Class -III				
6	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col. 2 of part - I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item - wise details of alternative examined.	Yes				
7	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not? If yes details thereof.	No				
8	a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view of not.	No				
	b) Detail of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.	No rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna noticed in the area proposed to be diverted				
	c) Aerial distance from nearest boundary of any protected Area (Km)	17.85 Km from the boundary of Jastota Wildlife Sanctuary, Kathua.				

	d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.	Proposed forest area is not very sensitive as it is a climax seral stage in ecological succession i.e., Chir woodland which has stabilized over the years. Moreover, pure Chir forests tend to have limited biodiversity due to allelochemistry via chir pine needles.
	e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required ? If yes, reasons thereof.	No
9	Details of vegetation: a) Total number of trees to be felled b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60cm c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60cm d) Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area.	Proposed Forest Area identified for diversion is bears the vegetation in the nature of Forest Type ' Siwalik Chir Pine Forests 9/C1a ' (Champion & Seth's Classification of India's Forests, 1964) 391 88 303 The removal of trees from forest area proposed for diversion is sure to have minor effects on the micro-climate of the area but since the area proposed for diversion is far from habitation and is under lesser biotic pressure thereof, therefore, the diverted area is likely to recuperate naturally over the years as there is already an abundance of rootstock in the form of advanced growth.
10	Back ground note on the proposal (Short Summary)	The PMGSY Road GarhSamnabanj to Marila Rajundi sanctioned in Phase-X under the PMGSY is likely connect the remote villages of Marila Rajundi with GarhSamnabanj and as per the proposed road alignment, intervening villages viz., Surara, Tunal & Cheru shall also be connected, thereby benefitting 314 souls. The road is likely to uplift the local rural economy and enhanced connectivity resulting in ease of services delivery in the area.
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980? If yes, a details report of violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached.	No
12	Whehether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabitiltation plan has been approved by the State Government?	Not Applicable
13	Details of catchment and cultivable command area under the project (if applicable)	Not Applicable
	Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent silation of reservior (if applicable)	Not Applicable

14	Utility of the Project	The project is likely connect the remote village of Marila Rajundi with GarhSamnabanj and as per the proposed road alignment, intervening villages viz., Surara, Tunal & Cheru shall also be connected, benefitting 314 souls. The road is likely to uplift the local rural economy and enhanced connectivity resulting in ease of services delivery in the area.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio- cultural / religious values? Whether any scared groves or very old growth trees / forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion.	No
16	Any other important information related to project (Separate note may be attached, if required)	No
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	A brief tour note of the site inspection along with photographs is enclosed herewith
18	Recommendation of the Inspecting officer (DCF)	In view of the fact that the project is likely to provide enhanced connectivity to the remote villages mentioned above, thereby uplifting the local rural economy benefitting 314 souls and given the fact that the likely damage to be caused by the road construction shall be mitigated by the corresponding CA Plan, the present FCA Case is recommended for the grant of approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

Place: Billawar

Date: 11.09.2020



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