

Site Inspection Report

A. Details of Project

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| 1. Name | Churi-Benti underground Project |
| 2. Proposal No. | FP/JH/MIN/23021/2016 |
| 3. Forest Land applied for diversion | 281.71 Ha (65.84 Ha in Chatra South Divn.) |
| 4. User Agency | Central Coalfields Limited |

B. Details of Site Inspection:

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| 1. Date of site inspection: | 16.03.2024 |
| 2. Other members present during the visit: | |
| a. Sri Mukesh Kumar | DFO, Chatra South Forest Division |
| b. Sri Sujit Kumar | GM, N.K. Area |
| c. Sri Anuj Kumar | Project Officer, Churi-Benti UG Project |
| d. Sri Arun Kumar | Colliery Surveyor, Churi Benti, UG Project |
| e. Sri Divya Prakash | MT (Environment), NK Area |

A site inspection was carried out on 16.03.2024 in the presence of the above-mentioned persons. The findings of the inspection are mentioned below:

The proposal has been submitted for underground coal mining over 281.17 ha. Out of which 65.84 ha. (Notified Forest 48.59 ha. and GMJJ 17.25 ha.) of forest land in Benti village comes under Chatra South Forest Division and remaining area lies in Ranchi Forest Division.



Proposed site lies on both side of already sanctioned project Churi, 312.76 ha. For excavation of coal, mouth and other surface activity will be done on already diverted area of Churi project. Therefore, total proposed area is applied for used for underground mining only.

The forest comprised of Sal forests with associate species and the canopy density was found to be 0.5.


There is presence of rock pythons, hyenas, Jackal, Jungle cats, porcupines and other indigenous fauna in the area. Due to mining activity, movement of people and vehicle, noise etc. will increase which will have negative impact on movement of wildlife. Therefore, to mitigate negative effect of this project on wildlife, a site specific wildlife management plan

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Area is undulating and moderately prone to erosion. River Channel is passing through the project. To protect the surface moisture, seasonal drainage, Channel flow and soil erosion of the area, a Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan (including Area Treatment Plan is necessary) to manage the area.

No violation was observed during the site inspection.

The proposal, being site-specific, is unavoidable and the required portion of forest land is needed for the project.


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