Specific Recommendations of District Forest Officer

The proposal No.FP/TR/TRANS/48171/2020 for diversion of 21.3339ha of forest land for construction of 33kv overhead line from Jawaharnagar Sub-station to Dhumachera Sub-station under DFO, Dhalai.

The damage to the forest during widening of the road and transportation of materials should be minimal and also without affecting the adjacent patches of plantation.

- 1. The user agency should provide income Generation Activities for livelihood of nearby villagers.
- 2. Parts of the area proposed for diversion are prone to soil erosion so if needed the user agency should bear the expenditure incurred for soil stabilization measures and also to avoid the soil erosion and landslides during construction.
- 3. There is significant and endangered species of wildlife like Barking deer, porcupine, slow loris, Hillock gibbon, jungle fowl, python etc and different bird species present in the area. This area has richness of NTFP and medicinal plants so user agency should give focus on conserving the wild life and medicinal plants present in this area.
- Therefore I recommend that user agency should contribute 40 lakh Ruppes for purchase of fully Customised animal rescue van and 20 lakh for ex-situ conservation of NTFP and local endangered medicinal plants.
- 5. This area is very much vulnerable to illegal felling of valuable timber and encroachments so for strengthening of protection measure user agency should provide one patrolling vehicle for protection of areas.

[Neeraj Kr. Chanchal, IFS]

District Forest Officer

Dhalai District, Ambassa

Dhalai Amassa