

RECOMMENDATION REPORT

The plinth areas measuring 0.8 ha each has been recommended for diversion as the area has already been drilled. The proposed facility area is a very dense forest covered with bamboo and other trees and is a prime habitat of elephants. Deforesting the area and creating facility area will severely affect the habitat of the elephants and other animals. This will also force elephants to move towards the forest village area and the plinth area thereby increasing man animal conflicts. This could also affect the drilling operation. Also, facility area which will handle waste, water, condensate etc. could lead to pollution and leakage and affect the adjacent habitat area owing to extreme rainfall and low lying condition of the land.

Considering the above, the facility area has not been recommended for the benefit of elephants and other animals, forest villagers and the user agency itself. Also, as the crude oil will be transported in tankers, the facility area may be located at a distance without damaging the forest area.

Also, the small stretch of road towards facility area has not been recommended as the facility area has not been recommended.

The recommendation is under the condition that necessary biodiversity and management interventions as directed by the forest department will be implemented so as to mitigate man animal conflict and to conserve biodiversity around the proposed area.

Details of recommended area is as follows.

1. Plinth area 1 = 0.8 Ha
2. Plinth area 2 = 0.8 Ha
3. Approach Road = 2.32 Ha

Total = 3.92 Ha



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