

FILED INSPECTION NOTE OF SRI D.BHEEMA, IFS, CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, KHAMMAM CIRCLE IN RESPECT OF REHABILITATED NON-FOREST LAND(NFL) OF THE OVER BURDEN (OB) OF COAL MINES IN YELLANDU AREA (ABOUT 205.664 HA) WHEREIN MINING IS COMPLETED AND PROPOSED AS C.A LAND AGAINST THE RF AREAS PROPOSED FOR DIVERSION FOR FRESH MINING.

I have inspected the proposed rehabilitated Non-Forest Land(NFL) of the Over burden (OB) of coal mines in Yellandu Area (about 205.664 Ha) wherein mining is completed and proposed as C.A land against the RF areas proposed for diversion for fresh mining on 08.03.2022 along with District Forest Officer, Khammam, Forest Divisional Officer, Khammam, Dy.General Manager SCCL Yellandu, Project Officer SCCL Yellandu and concerned staff.

The non Forest Land to an extent of 205.664 has been identified on rehabilitated overburden dumps of JK coal mine in Yellandu area, the said area is falling in Khammam Forest division to handover to the Forest Department towards CA against the new proposals of the SCCL i.e., diversion of 151.8519 Ha for JK OC mine in Yellandu and 17.994 ha for Ramagundam OC mines etc.



The General Manager, SCCL, Kothagudem has informed that an area of 205.664 Ha is proposed for CA as against the Forest land diversion proposals of JK OC coal mine for 151.8571 ha, RG Coal Mine for 17.994 Ha and remaining area of 35.9221 Ha for future forest diversion proposals of SCCL.



The proposed identified on rehabilitated overburden dumps area is suitable subject to fulfilment of following mitigative measures.

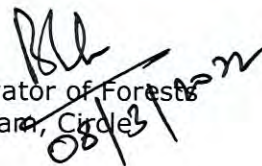
1. As the area is adjoining to the Revenue area. Hence chain link fencing should be provided all around the proposed CA land, so as to protect it from the encroachment and biotic interference.
2. As the area is vast to protect all over, it is required to be constructed boundary pillars all along the periphery of proposed CA area.
3. There are two big dugouts with very deep slope water bodies exist, which required to be fenced with chain link fencing. Otherwise there is every possibilities to fall wild animals in the water bodies. Further it is required a construction of ramp to the deep water bodies for easy movement of wild life.
4. At some areas, infestation of weed is noticed and no desired tree growth is observed. Hence, broadcasting of forestry seeds as well as grass seeds may be taken up to attract wild life also in inaccessible areas. Therefore, a Separate wildlife mitigation measures may be required and the same shall be borne by the User Agency.

5. As the water is available and suitable for birds, suitable nesting and perching structures may be arranged in and around water bodies.
6. In some of CA proposed area is heavily infested with Prosopis Juliflora (SarkarThumma), hence uprootal of said species may be taken up with a proposal to fill the area with gap planting or SMM plantation wherever viable gaps are existing.
7. It is observed that, most of the species present in the proposed CA area are Non forestry species only like Seemathangedu, Peltopharum, Subabul, Gulmohar and Edakulapala etc., Hence, it is required to be prepare CA Scheme for equal area of forest area diversion in degraded forest area by Forest Department and the same shall be borne by the User Agency.
8. As per the guidelines issued by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, TS, Hyd. vide Rc.No.6753/2014/FCA3(i), dt.15.06.2019 on clarification on selection of land for CA as follows : *"State Government shall prepare CA Scheme with 1000 plants/ha in all such cases. In case if it is not possible to raise 1000 plants/ha on the selected NFL, then the balance plants can be allowed to be raised on DFL as per Working Plan prescriptions"*.

In view of the above, each plot is having less than 1000 nos of trees and most of the species present in the proposed CA area are Non forestry species like Seemathangedu, Peltopharum, Subabul, Gulmohar and Edakulapala etc., Hence, it is required to be prepare CA Scheme for equal area of forest diversion in degraded forest area by Forest Department and the same shall be borne by the User Agency.

9. It is also observed that, there is a partial encroached near the fringes and a road passing through the proposed CA land to Cheemalapadu village. The either side of the road should fenced with chain link fencing and effective area can be taken while handing over the CA proposed area.

Hence subject to the above conditions of fulfilling and the specific recommendations made by the District Forest Officer, Khammam the proposed rehabilitated Non-Forest Land (NFL) of the Over burden (OB) of mines in Yellandu Area (about 205.664 Ha) wherein mining is completed and proposed as C.A land against the RF areas proposed for diversion for fresh mining in Forest land diversion proposals of JK OC coal mine for 151.8571 ha, RG Coal Mine for 17.994 Ha and remaining area of 35.9221 Ha for future forest diversion proposals of SCCL.


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