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State/UT Forest Department and declared as RF/PF under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or State Forest Act / Rules / Regulations, before the Stage II approval.

**2.5 Special provisions for CA for certain categories of projects:**

(i) CA shall be raised and maintained at the cost of the user agency on degraded forest land twice in extent of the forest area diverted in the cases of:

- a. Laying of transmission lines;
- b. Laying of telephone/optical fibre lines;
- c. Mulberry plantation undertaken for silkworm rearing,
- d. Diversion of linear or 'strip' plantations declared as protected forest along road/ rail/canal sides for widening or expansion of road/rail/canal,
- e. Extraction of minor materials from the river beds,
- f. The projects implemented by the Central Government/PSUs, excluding Central Govt./Central PSUs Projects implemented by/through State Government and State Sector Projects implemented by the Central Government/PSUs
- g. Construction of link roads, small water works, minor irrigation works, school building, dispensaries, hospital, tiny rural industrial sheds of the Government or any other similar work excluding mining and encroachment cases, which directly benefit the people of the area in hill districts and in other districts having forest area exceeding 50% of the total geographical area, provided diversion of forest area does not