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Site Inspection Report – Not below the Rank of DCF

A proposal has been received in this office of Divisional Forest Officer, Kalagarh Tiger Reserve Division, Lansdowne for diversion of 106.16 Ha of forest land under Forest Conservation Act 1980 for the establishment of Tiger Safari.

The project envisages the use of forest land for the establishment of Tiger Safari in Compartment 3 & 8 of Pakhro range of this division. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been carried out by me on dated 13.08.2020

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required for the above mentioned project is Reserve Forest land measuring an area of 106.16 Ha.

The requirement of forest land as proposed in col 2, part 1 is bare minimum and unavoidable for the project. Out of the above area, not more than 15% will be used for non-forestry purposes.

Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna: There is no unique species of flora which has been found in the area but presence of tiger, leopard and spotted deer has been recorded. The proposed area lies in the buffer zone of Corbett Tiger Reserve.

Whether any protected archaeological/ heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area: NO

The user agency has not violated the provisions of FCA, 1980 and no work has started without proper approval.

Specific Recommendation: The proposed area lies in Compartment no 3 & 8 of Pakhro block of Kalagarh Tiger Reserve Division which is part of already designated Eco-tourism zone of Corbett Tiger Reserve. The area is situated at the south-western periphery of the Corbett Tiger Reserve. The establishment of tiger safari will help in diverting casual tourists from the core critical tourism zone which will ultimately result in reducing pressure on the habitat of core zone and consequently it will help in promoting wildlife conservation, scientific research and awareness apart from generating employment to the local people residing around buffer zone. It will also contribute to the overall economic development of the adjoining areas through plethora of activities associated with nature tourism. So, the proposed site is appropriate for the purpose.

Date: 13-08-2020

Place: Lansdowne

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