

J U S T I F I C A T I O N

The proposal for seeking operation of stone quarry of 5.0 Ha. area namely **"TOKRABANDHA HILL STONE QUARRY"** within Tokrabandha P.R.F under Dhubri Forest Division will enable availability of stone materials. There is no area outside the RF / PRF in the District suitable for production of boulders/stone. Hence, the site is selected in Tokrabandha PRF for the proposed Stone Quarry to extract quality boulders/stone for use/supply in the developmental activities in Dhubri Districts.

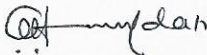
The proposed diversion of forest land is suitable for quarrying of stone only for which it is not useable for forestry purposes. The area is completely degraded, barren and having no endangered flora and fauna nearby, so it will not have any impact on further deterioration of environment. There is no Scheduled Tribe or other Forest Dwellers is staying as encroacher in the nearby proposed areas.

Further, it is stated that although the project will affect the forest land, but it is quite unavoidable since no area outside the forest land is available in the Dhubri District. It is also to be stated that the area proposed for diversion is most suitable as it involved the minimum forest area.

Considering the above facts, it is justified for locating the project in the forest area.

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