

### **Justification for locating the Project in forest area :**

This Project intends to construct doubling line on the side of the existing Talcher-Sambalpur railway line for which forest land involved was diverted by MoEF in their letter Dt.06.04.1992. During construction of the original line in 1992 which was installed in 1998, in the right of way (row) some additional land both forest and non-forest was existing. Keeping that in view, East Coast Railway could propose for the second line. However, wherever additional land (forest and non-forest land) is required, have been proposed for diversion in this proposal. Since this is a doubling line Project, use of adjacent forest land has become inevitable.

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