

Full Title of the Project: Construction of Vinod Nagar Depot for MRTS Project

File No.: FP/DL/RAIL/6542/2014

Date of Proposal: 19/08/2014

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

NOT BELOW THE RANK OF DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
(FOR PROTECTED FOREST LAND TO BE DIVERTED UNDER FCA)

A proposal has been received by this office from DMRC for diversion (Under FCA, 1980) of 19.9 Ha. of protected Forest land consisting of 1519 nos trees for non forestry purpose. The project envisages the use of protected forest land for the construction of Vinod Nagar Depot for MRTS project. The Depot is required for maintenance and halt of rolling stock which required for day to day operation of the metro train service. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on 28/08/2014.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is a part of 'Protected Forest' vide notification No. SCO.32(C)/Noti-80-81/6974-81 Dt. 10.04.80. the site is on khichripur along the NH-24.

The requirement of the Forest land as stated by the user agency in Col. 2 of Part I is unavoidable and is the barest minimum required for the project as per the alignment finalized.

Whether, any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna are found in the area. **No**

If so, the details thereof: **Not Applicable**

Whether any protected area of archaeological importance/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. : **No**

If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority if required: **NA**

(a) The user agency has not violated the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction

(b) It has been found that the user agency has violated the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 provision. A detailed report as per para 1.9 of Chapter I Part C of Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is attached.- Not Applicable

Specific recommendations for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal: MRTS project has been approved by union cabinet and DMRC has submitted the proposal to construct of Vinod Nagar Depot in 19.9 hectare area surrounded by thick population. No non-forest land is available in the locality hence shifting of Depot from the forest area is not feasible. It is recommended to consider the diversion proposal of 19.9 hectare protected forest land for construction of Vinod Nagar Depot.

Place: New Delhi

Date: 28.08.2014

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