Full Title of the Project: :

Construction Entry/Exit of RK Puram metro station for MRTS Project

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10.02.2015

SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF DY. CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS

Site inspection was carried out on 17.02.2015. DMRC is implementing phase-III of the MRTS project in Delhi and NCR. Under phase-III a new corridor from Janakpuri (W) to Kalindi Kunj is under construction which is a public transportation project.

A proposed R.K. Puram metro station is located adjacent to intersection of outer ring road and Africa Avenue Marg. In this station, forest land is required for construction of the Entry/ Exit of underground Metro Station namely R.K. Puram in District Sports Complex, DDA, Hauz Khas. This entry/ exit is located on the east side of Africa Avenue Road.

The necessity of this new entry/ exit came up due to the demand of RWA's and insistence of Traffic police department to give an entry/ exit point on DDA Sports Complex side so as to enable the road user to use the station subway below Africa Avenue road as pedestrian crossing. This will minimize the pedestrian accidents while attempting to cross the road and passenger time saving. Since the required width is not available on existing footpath for construction of this entry/ exit and no other suitable land is available nearby for the purpose, therefore, it is to be constructed inside the boundary wall of DDA Sports Complex which is notified protected Forest.

Earlier an area of 4.2309 ha Forest land was diverted in the same location for construction of R.K. Puram and IIT Station as well as the tunnels joining them vide Northern Regional Office, Ministry of E&F, Gol, letter No. F.No. 9DLB 393/2013-CHA dated 05.02.2014.

This is a barest minimum Forest area required for construction of Entry/ Exit and joining the other side of Africa Avenue Marg through an underground tunnel. No loss of flora fauna or soil erosion is envisaged due to diversion of this area of 0.0446 Ha.

The compensatory plantation of 70 trees in lieu of 7 existing trees will be raised in the part of 22.85 Ha land already handed over by U/Agency to Forest Department near Shashtri Park in lieu of another FCA proposal for Vinod Nagar Depot in which the C.A. area requirement was 19.9 Ha. As felling of only 7 trees are involved in the said land raising of 70 plants is proposed as per provision of the guidelines of Forest Conservation rules.

Recommended for diversion of 0.0446 Ha. in public interest.

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