

SITE INSPECTION NOTE OF APCCF, WAC, BTC
(for the forest land to be diverted under FCA)

The proposed forest area to be diverted for Construction of New BG Railway Line from Gauripur to Abhyapuri of New Maynaguri – Jogigopha was inspected by me on 05.04.2015.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the proposed diversion area falls within **Rajapara Proposed Reserved Forest** measuring **0.71 ha**. It is ascertain that the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is minimum required for the project.

The proposed diversion site is covered with trees of Sisoo, Sal, Neem, Acacia etc. with a crown density of 0.5. The ground surface is covered with bushes like *Eupatorium* sp. and grasses. The ground is flat with gentle slope and the vulnerability to erosion is nil.

The Vulture nesting site is found about 100m away from the proposed diversion site. Sound proofing with live hedge/ trees on both sides of the proposed railway line is required to minimize the noise pollution which may disturb the nesting vultures nearby. The proposed diversion area does not fall within any Protected Area or wildlife corridor.

Recommendation for acceptance of the proposal:

The proposed railway line is a necessity in this backward underdeveloped part of the state. The railway line would certainly boost the communication, employment opportunities and thereby improve the economic condition to the poor downtrodden people of this region. The construction of Railway line would benefit the public and is in the national interest. Therefore, the proposal for diversion of 0.71 ha under Rajapara PRF is recommended for acceptance.

Date: 20.04.2015

Signature:



Place: Kokrajhar

Name:

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