

Sl.No. 11. Annexure-III to part II

Office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Gaya Forest Division, Gaya, Bihar

Site Inspection report of DCF

Inspection Date:22.08.2015

The Proposed project area of 0.0196 ha is passing through Protected Forest of Larpur (notification C/F-17069/54-3516R- dated 09.08.1954), Channa (notification C/F-17026/66-2725R- dated 23.09.1966) Pahasi (notification C/F-17026/66-2725R- dated 23.09.1966). Remaining 0.0049 ha is comes under category of forest situated in Bramyoni hills, ward no.23. In which the present proposal for total 0.0245 (0.0196 +0.0049) ha is proposed for diversion. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum of the project. Actual area involved in the project is 0.0245 ha has been visited by the undersigned along with survey team and verified the facts in proposed site.

- Gaya is the only international airport in state of Bihar where the international flights are operating along with domestic flights. Gaya airport is surrounded by the dungsware hill (320 m), Larpur hill (226m), Bramyoni (279m), Ramshila (266m), Prtihsila (164m) which are obstructions for flight operation.
- Again for flight operation landing and takeoff during night, the hills are to be lighted with obstruction lights which are mandatory for flight operation.
- The existing obstruction lights were solar powered from 6.11.2013 in these five hill tops.
- Due to theft in several occasions the solar panels and battery causing major problem to AAI and many instances the night flight operations were suspended.
- Under these circumstances the AAI requested to allow to construct the boundary wall and protection she. Being a protected forest and forest area the Director, Airport was asked to submit the proposal for diversion.
- In order to construct boundary wall of brick work (7 m* 7 m =49 M²) with one shed at five hill tops, the user agency requires forest area of 0.0196 ha is passing through Protected Forest of Larpur , Channa , Pahasi . Remaining 0.0049 ha is comes under category of forest situated in Bramyoni hills.
- The detail break up of forest land proposed for diversion:-

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Sl.No.	Name of the forest	Area required	Plot No.	Thana/ Thana No.	Total land involved (In Hectares)	Nature of land
1	Larpur - 1 (Open Scrubs)	7m* 7m	821 (P)	Mufassil: 305	0.0049	Protected Forest
2	Larpur - 2(Open Scrubs)- dungeshwari	7m* 7m	849 (P)	Mufassil: 305	0.0049	Protected Forest
3	Channa- Open Scrubs	7m* 7m	272 (P)	Mufassil: 213	0.0049	Protected Forest
4	Phasi -Open Scrubs	7m* 7m	4/128 (P)	Town: 4	0.0049	Protected Forest
5	Bramyoni- Open Scrubs	7m* 7m	3573(P)	Nagar palika Ward no.23	0.0049	Forest
	Total				0.0245	

- Density of Vegetation is approximately 0.1 (varies from place to place) -many place even single tree was not found. No proposal for felling of any trees. Rare, endangered, unique valuable trees are not found.
- Only 0.0245 hectares of protected forest area is required for diversion which is minimum requirement to execute the scheme.
- Generally the project area vulnerable to medium soil erosion due to intrinsic geological features of the substrate during rainy season.
- The proposed project area is only notified Protected and not forms part of any National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc.
- Nilgai is found naturally and free distributed across the Gaya district in the farm lands. Animals like jackal, hair, Common Langur etc found in the nearest forest areas. Apart from that local birds are abundant in the prithshila, bramyoni hilly areas. Reptile's particularly different snake species are common. The undersigned is of opinion that the instant proposed project will no way affect the distribution or movement of any wild animal found in the areas where it is found. So far no such any cases of wildlife death reported in the in the proposed road.
- Prithshila, Ramshila and Bramyoni hills are part of protected archeological site and the world heritage site Bodh Gaya temple situated at Bodh gaya distance about average 6 km from the Bramyoni hills and 4 km from Dungeshwari hills. The Army establishment, Officer's Training Academy (OTA) and Gaya Airport situated approximately 2 km and 3 Km respectively.
- The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. No. 2 of Part – I is unavoidable and barest minimum of the project and only viable option.
- The User Agency has not violated the prescribed provisions of the Act.

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