

Site inspection note of Conservator of Forests/Western Circle.

Site inspection has been carried out with the Divisional Forest Officer/ Western Forest Division, Tamenglong on 09/07/2017 in presence of the Nodal Officer/FCA, Manipur.

The proposed diversion of forestland measuring an area of 89.856 ha for "Rehabilitations and upgrading of existing 2 laning of Khongsang- Tamenglong section of NH-137 in the state of Manipur on EPC Mode" is unclassed forests of Western Forest Division. The proposed area for diversion is not vulnerable to soil erosion and density of vegetation is about 20-40%.

The proposed area to be diverted is not a part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, etc. There is no protected archaeological/ heritage site, defence or any other important monument in the area. No rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna are found in the area except porcupine, wildboar, squirrel, Jungle cat, mongoose sambar etc. Birds like khali pheasant, Jungle fowl, doves and myana etc. Also found in the area.

The Forest type of proposed area to be diverted falls under Sub-Tropical Semi Evergreen Forests and Moist Mixed Deciduous Forests. Main species found in the area are Gmelina arborea, Messua ferra, Schima wallichii, Litsea polyantha, Alnus nepalensis, M. Champaca, Artocarpus chaplasi etc.

No violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 is noticed from the user agency till date.

The proposed widening and improvement of existing 2(two) lane Khongsang –Tamenglong Road of National Highway -137 which is lifeline of the local people living in and around the area will definitely improve their socio-economic condition. Hence, the project is recommended for consideration.


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