

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**OFFICE OF THE BLOCK DEV. OFFICER, SAMANDA DEV. BLOCK**  
**EAST GARO HILLS.**

No. SDB/ MGNREGA/ 229  
2019

Dated Samanda the 25<sup>th</sup> Nov

From : Shri. A. G. Momin (MCS)  
Block Development Officer  
Samanda Development Block  
East Garo Hills.

To : The Divisional Forest Officer  
East & North Garo Hills(T) Division  
Williamnagar

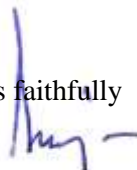
Subject : Submission of Form A, and undertaking for payment of NPV of forest Land.  
Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I have the honour to submit herewith the form A and justification for proposal requirement and Undertaking for the payment of NPV of the forest Land for the construction of Suspension footbridge at Chisobibra.

This is for your kind information and necessary action.

Enclosed : As stated above.

Yours faithfully



Block Development Officer  
Samanda Development Block  
East Garo Hills.

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Copy to:

1. The Deputy Commissioner cum District Programme Coordinator, MGNREGA, East Garo Hills for kind information.
2. The Concern VEC functionaries for information
3. Office file

Yours faithfully

Block Development Officer  
Samanda Development Block  
East Garo Hills

## **Application Form**

As per the Rule 6 of the Forest(Conservation) Rules, 2003, every user agency, who wants to use any forest land for non-forest purposes shall make his proposal in appropriate Form appended to these rules. i.e. Form A for proposals seeking first time approval under the Act and Form B for proposals seeking renewal of leases where approval of the Central Government under the Act already been obtained earlier, to the concern nodal officer authorized on this behalf by the State Government, along with requisite information and documents, complete in all respects, well in advance of taking up any non-forest activity on the forest land.

### **FORM 'A'**

**Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the State government and other authorities.**

#### **PART I**

**(to be filed up by the user agency)**

##### **1. Project Details**

- (i) Short Narrative of the Proposals and project/scheme for which the forest land is required.

The project is being proposed under MGNREGA, under Samanda C&RD Block. East Garo Hills. the located site for the project is at 25°33'07"N. 90°32'41" E of the geographical location. The 8-(eight) VECs has come-up with the proposal for constructing the footbridge. The suspension footbridge over the river Simsang river is 140 m in length, which will connect the 8- villages to the National Highway lying near the River Simsang at Forest Land. Those villages do not have any other route to reach the market, schools, hospital and district head quarter. The crossing

- (ii) Map showing the required forest land, boundary of the adjoining forest on a 1:50000 scale map (**Toposheet map enclosed**)
- (iii) Cost of the Project: **Rs. 1.64 crores (One crore sixty-four lakhs)**
- (iv) Justification for locating the project in forest area.

The proposed project which lies in the Forest Land will connect the VECs or the Villages lying on the other side of the river Simsang. The proposed footbridge will connect the National Highway NH44E at Chisobibra to other 8 (eight) Villages such as Chiso Bibra, Gitokgre, Chongegre, Jongmegre, Meronggre, Ganinggre, Rambogre, Jaljenggre, Ganninggre and Wannanggre. The proposed location is the nearest place to all those mentioned villages, and other locations also not possible since the Forest land stretches for many kms along the River Simsang bank as shown in Map. Above mentioned villages which lies on the other side of the bank as shown in Map, have total population of about 2500, which do not have any other connectivity to nearest road. The nearest road located to those villages is National Highway NH44E which they will connect at the proposed site. The population living in those villages find difficulties in reaching market, schools, health centres, other offices etc. during rainy seasons. Due to absence of the bridge at the location, the students are worst affected. Some of them even dropout schools as they could not appear exams due to high flood and cannot cross the river. Some of them even lost lives

as the risk in crossing river during floods. People of the villages could not reach the hospitals on time as lost

lives as there is no means of transportation and they have to walk around 7 – 8 kms by foot. This route is being used by the villagers since 1960s by crossing the river, to come to the markets, schools and hospitals. The people of the said villages are farmers and are active in agricultural activities and plantation works. However, due to absence of the footbridge, they find difficulty in crossing the river to bring to the market. The existing boat facility provided closes at early hour in the evening. Hence, farmers have to face difficulty in their business activities. Due to the above mentioned reasons, the construction of the footbridge is very important for the benefit of the people, their socio economic advancement etc. The land on both the river banks require land for construction of anchors and tie pillars for the suspension footbridge.

- (v) Cost benefit analysis (to be enclosed)
  - i) Cost of the project in construction:- 164.03 Lakhs
  - ii) Employment likely to generate 52000 mandays under MGNREGS for 8 villages
- 2. Purpose-wise break up of the total land required
- 3. Details of displacement of people due to project, if any:-Nill
  - i) Number of families: Nill
  - ii) Number of Schedule Caste/Schedule Tribe families: Nill
  - iii) Rehabilitation Plan:- Nill
- 4. Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required? Yes, No: Yes
- 5. Undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and generation of safety Zone etc. as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be enclosed)

(NA as the area is less than 1 Ha)

- 6. Details of Certificates/documents enclosed as required under instruction
  - i) Joint Inspection Report-Joint Inspection
  - ii) Project Lay out Map
  - iii) Layout Project on Toposheet- Layout of Toposheet enclosed.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Designation: Block Development Officer  
Samantha C&RD Block  
East Garo Hills District  
Date 01/06/2020  
Place Williamnagar

State Serial No. of proposal

(To be filled up by the Nodal Officer with date of receipt)

**UNDERTAKING FOR COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION AND PAYMENT OF  
EXTRACTION CHARGES OF TREES TO BE REMOVED FROM THE PROPOSED AREA BY  
THE USER AGENCY**

I, on the behalf of the Samanda C&RD Block, East Garo Hills, Meghalaya hereby undertake to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of Compensatory Afforestation and Penal Compensatory Afforestation, Cost of protection and regeneration of safety zone, etc as per the scheme prepared by the State Government in connection with the diversion of 0.170 Ha of Reserved Forest for Construction of Suspension footbridge at Chisobibra. Also, I will bear the cost of removal and dragging of timber from the proposed diversion site to the safe custody of the department.

Date 01/06/2020

Place: Wiliamnagar



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Samanda C&RD Block  
Samanda Development Block  
East Garo Hills District

**ANNEXURE-A**

**Loss of Forest Land for the construction of Suspension footbridge over River Simsang (Cost Benefit Analysis)**

Sl.No	Parameters	Forest Division		Total Value	Remark
		Forest	Private		
1	Loss of forest trees like Salwood, Teak Wood, Puma etc Total Nos = 6 Nos				
2	Cost of human resettlement	NILL	NILL	NILL	
3	Loss of public facilities and administrative infrastructure	NILL	NILL	NILL	
4	Cost of construction of temporary bamboo bridge and cost of boat =@ <a href="#">Rs.2.00/Year</a> for past 40 year of services)=Rs 80.00(L)	NILL	NILL	80.00 Lakhs	
5	Total loss in monetary terms				

Cost of repair and maintenance of SPT bridge for the past 40 [year@ Rs.2.00 \(approx.\)/year](#) including loss of Forest tree (as per estimate enclosed) = Rs.80.00(L)

  
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C. B. Sananda C & RD Block  
Sananda Dev  
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**Annexure -B**

**Benefits not withstanding loss of forest for construction of Footbridge at Chisobibra (For Cost-Benefit Analysis)**

Sl.No	Parameters	Description(Value)	Remark
1	Benefits of Economy	Construction of Footbridge at Rs. 164.03 lakhs	
2	No.of population benefited	2500	Population of eight villages will get direct socio economic benefit
3	Employment potential	52000 mandays under MGNREGS	It will provide employment and will benefit economically to the people of the village
4	Cost of acquisition of facilities on non-forest land	None	
5	Rehabilitating of affected person	None	

Benefit for construction of Footbridge Bridge with life span period of 40 year(with negligible repair and maintenance = Rs. 164.03(L)

$$\text{Cost -Benefit Ratio} = 80/164.03 = 0.487$$

  
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