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### Justification for locating the project in the forest area

The Tubed Coal mining block in Auranga Coalfield is a coal bearing zone having good quality coal reserve as established through detail exploration done by M/s Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited (a Govt. of India undertaking). Accordingly, the coal block has been allotted by Ministry of Coal, Govt of India for mining of coal for captive use to meet the requirement of the End Use Plants at Mejia Thermal Power Station unit nos. 7 & 8 (2x500 MW) and Chandrapura Thermal Power Station unit no. 8 (1x250 MW). About 33.70 % area of the coal block is covered under forest land. Without forest land mining activity cannot be taken up in this coal block. The coal to be produced from this block would help in generation of power which ultimately shall promote the growth of industries and industrial production. This will help in economic development of and more income to the state besides generating additional avenues for employment. Further, mining operation in this backward area shall improve the infrastructure facilities and enhance the socio-economic condition of the local people.

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