Short narrative of the proposal and Project/scheme for which the forest land is required.

The Parsa coal block is located in the north central part of the Hasdo-Arand Coalfield in Udaypur and Premnagar Tehsil, Surguja and Surajpur Districts of Chhattisgarh State. This coalfield is one of the major coalfields of the central India located in the upper reaches of Mahanadi Valley Master Gondwana Basin and is situated in the northern part of Chhattisgarh state. The Hasdo-Arand coalfield covers an area of about 1200 sqkm having a length of about 70 km and width of about 25 km. It is bounded by latitude 22°37'00" & 22°55'00"N and longitude 82°20'00" & 83°06'00"E. The coalfield lies partly in the eastern part of Korba District and extends into western part of Surguja District. Major part of the coalfield is still virgin with huge resources of power grade coal.

The block was earlier allotted to M/s Chattisgarh State Power generation Company limited (CSPGCL) and Mining Plan and Mine Closure Plan (5 MTPA) was approved by Ministry of Coal Vide Letter No.-13016/90/2006-CA-I (Part) on dated 19th May, 2014. Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 24th September 2014 deallocated coal blocks including Parsa Coal Block. Further, Ministry of Coal, GOI vide letters dtd 18th December 2014 and 18th February 2015 earmarked coal blocks for allotment under the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Ordinance,2014 and further invited applications from the Government Companies. Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RVUN) applied to Nominated Authority of Ministry of Coal, GOI for allotment of Parsa Coal Block for captive use in its thermal Plants located in the State of Rajasthan.

Subsequently, Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India has allotted Parsa Coal Block to Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RVUN) on 24th March 2015 in accordance to Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015 & Coal Mines (Special Provision) Rules, 2014 and executed the allotment agreement with

Ministry of Coal on 30th March 2015 & subsequently amendment to the Allotment Agreement on 8th September 2015. Ministry of Coal issued allotment order bearing No. 103/24/2015/NA dated 08th September, 2015 in favour of RVUN. In terms of Clause no.1 (c) of the aforesaid allotment order approval of Mining plan and Mine Closure plan (August 2013) of Parsa Coal Block has been transferred from Chattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL prior allottee of the Block) to RVUN (Allottee of the Block).

The Parsa coal block is spread over a total area of 1252.447 ha. It is bounded by latitude 22°48′57.01″N & 22°51′56.85″N and longitude 82°45′10.50″ & 82° 47′22.86″E. The block is covered under Survey of India topo sheet no. 64J/13 on RF 1: 50000.

Parsa block is located in the north central part of Hasdo-Arand coalfield, Udaypur and Premnagar Tehsil, Surguja and Surajpur Districts, Chhattisgarh. The block is located adjacent to Parsa east and Kanta Basan and Tara blocks and Parsa east and Kanta Basan already allocated to the Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd, Jaipur (RVUN). The total project area of 1252.447 ha includes 841.538 ha of forest land (includes 556.004 ha protected forest land and 285.534 of Chote jhade and Bade jhad ka jungle-revenue forest land), 410.909 ha is non forest land(Govt. & Adivasi & non Adivasi land). Parsa Coal Block is located in six villages..namely Salhi, Hariharpur, Ghatbara, Fatepur under Udayapur tahasil of Surguja district and village Janardanpur, village Tara under Premnagar tahasil of Surajpur district.

Geological reserves considered for mining 256.40 Mt. Mineable Reserves estimated by opencast mining 184.26 Mt. Mining Plan was approved for production capacity of 5 Mt per Year (ROM).

The block is rectangular in shape and extends about 3.10 km along the strike direction (NW-SE) and about 4.3 km along the dip direction (SW). The tehsil Headquarters at Udaypur is located 26 km northeast of the block on State Highway-2A connecting Bilaspur and Ambikapur.

The boundaries of Parsa block are given below:

North: About 100 to 550 m north of In crop of Seam-IV;

South: An imaginary line connecting points at 260 m, 290 m, 250 m, 220 m & 190 m south of BH No. PCL-70, 84, 106, 86 & 87 respectively and joining the eastern and western boundaries of the block;

East: Common boundary with Parsa (East)-Kanta Basan coal block of the Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd; and

West: Common boundary with Tara coal block of the Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation (CMDC).

The Tehsil Headquarters at Udaypur and the District Headquarters at Ambikapur are located at a distance of 26 km and 70 km northeast of the block on State Highway-2A. Lakhanpur, another small township is located about 43 km northeast of the block on SH-2A. The State Highway-2A aligned in a NE–SW direction passes very close to the north western corner of the block. The block can be approached from Tara village, located on SH -2A at a distance of about 152 km from Bilaspur, through a fair weather forest road that leads to Ghatbarra village through Fatepur village located in the southern part of the block. The accessibility within the block is through kutcha/unmetalled roads and is difficult during monsoon. The villages within the block are connected by morrum and mud roads.

The nearest railhead Bisrampur on the Bijuri-Ambikapur section of the South East Central Railway (SECR) is located about 62 km from the northwestern corner of the block.

The nearest airstrip is located at Ambikapur at a distance of about 70 km from the block while the nearest major airport is at Raipur, the state capital, located at about 290 km south.

Details of Land Schedule is furnished below:

| RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LIMITED | | | | | | | | |
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| (A) | PARSA COAL BLOCK - TOTAL AREA 1252.447 Ha SCHEDULE OF FOREST LAND - PROTECTED FOREST & REVENUE FOREST | | | | | | | |
| (1) | Details of Protected Forest | | | | | | | |
| | SI. No. | Forest Circle | Forest Division | Range | Name of Block | Compartment no. | Total Area (in Ha) | Forest Divison wise area(Ha) |
| | 1 | Surajpur | Surajpur | Ramanujnagar | Piriya | 1982 | 124.748 | 185.549 |
| | 2 | Surajpur | Surajpur | Ramanujnagar | Piriya | 1981 | 12.483 | |
| | 3 | Surajpur | Surajpur | Ramanujnagar | Tara (East) | P-1986 | 37.209 | |
| | 4 | Surajpur | Surajpur | Ramanujnagar | Janardanpur | P-1997 | 11.109 | |
| | 5 | Surguja | Surguja | Udaipur | Ghatbarra | P-2006 | 298.496 | 370.455 |
| | 6 | Surguja | Surguja | Udaipur | Ghatbarra | P-2005 | 50.630 | |
| | 7 | Surguja | Surguja | Udaipur | Fatehpur | P-1998 | 21.329 | |
| | Total Protected Forest Area | | | | | | 556.004 | 556.004 |
| (11) | Details of Revenue Forest (Chote Jhad Ka Jungal (CJJ) + Bade Jhad Ka Jungal (BJJ)) | | | | | | | |
| | SI. No. | Patwari Halka no. | Tahsil | | District | | Total Area (in Ha) | |
| | 1 | 17 | Premnagar | | Surajpur | | 41.770 | |
| | 2 | 16,17 | Udaipur | | Surguja | | 243.764 | |
| | | | Total l | Revenue Fores | st Area | | 285.534 | |
| | Total Forest Land (A(I)+A(II))=556.004+285.534=841.538 Ha | | | | | | | |
| (B) | TOTAL NON FOREST LAND (ADIVASI LAND, GOVT. LAND & NON-ADIVASI LAND) - 410.909 Ha | | | | | | | |
| (C) | TOTAL PARSA COAL BLOCK AREA (A + B) - 1252.447 Ha | | | | | | | |

