

# **ASOLAMENDHA RENOVATION PROJECT**

Tah – Saoli

Distt. –Chandrapur

## **JUSTIFICATION FOR FOREST PROPOSAL**

### **1. General :**

The Asolamendha Irrigation Project is a medium project in the Chandrapur District which was completed in 1914. It irrigates 9919 ha. Land in Mul,Saoli,Gondpipari and Pombhurna Tahsils of Chandrapur District. As the water available from Catchment Area is less, only 9919 Ha. of land out of total G.C.A. of 64089 Ha. of the Project is presently being irrigated.

It is proposed that after completion of Gosikhurd Project additional water flowing through Wainganga river in the rainy season will be stored in Asolamendha Tank by diverting it through 90 Km. long Gosikhurd Right Bank Canal and by raising the height of F.R.L. of existing Asolamendha Tank by 2.70 M. It is proposed in the Aasolamendha Renovation Project that Discharge carrying capacity of present Asolamendha Main Canal will be increased from 9.60 Cumecs to 58.722 Cumecs and thereby irrigating an irrigable area of 52250 Ha. The project had been administratively approved by Maharashtra Govt. vide G.R. No. GOS/1081/238/Ass-2,dated 31/03/1983 as the one part of Gosikhurd National Project. The cost of Asolamendha Renovation project of Rs. 51.87 Crores is included in the cost of total Gosikhurd Project which is Rs.372.22 Crores.

As the Asolamendha Project was constructed in British Era, at that time forest land was acquired for submergence and Canal system as per Various Notifications of Forest Department. Particularly As Per Notification No. 756-60 XV following area was handed over to Irrigation Department.

- 1) For Submergence---(610+60+560) :-1130 Acre
- 2) Dam D/S Toe to Demarcated line :--210 Acre.
- 3) For Waste Weir tail Channel :- 26.63 Acre.

**Total Area :-1466.63 Acre.**

Now it is proposed to raise the height of existing Asolamendha Dam by 2.70 M. and proposed to store the additional water through Gosikhurd Right Bank Canal. It is proposed to increase the existing Command Area of Asolamendha Project from 9919 Ha. to 70412 Ha. It is very important to increase the social and economical status of cultivators in the command area of Asolamendha. So this forest proposal is prepared for sanction the additional forest area required for increased submergence and for Canal networks in Saoli, Mul, Gondpipari and Pombhurna Talukas of Chandrapur District.

For submergence and canal system; the overall picture of forest land required forest land for additional submergence and developing canal system for Branches, Distributaries and Minors is as under

Sr. No	Details Of Item	Type of Forest			Total area	Remarks
		R.F.	P.F.	Z.J.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Dam Sheet Compt. No. 161 B, 162 B and 163 B	69.92	0	0	69.92	Only tree felling permission required
2	Additional Submergence	108.630	117.360	0	225.990	
3	Canal Network System	8.97	60.9555	2.105	72.030	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>117.600</b>	<b>178.316</b>	<b>2.105</b>	<b>298.020</b>	

hence it is requested to kindly approve the forest proposal.

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