SITE INSPECTION REPORT NOT BELOW THE RANK OF DCF (For the Forest Land to be diverted under FCA)

A proposal has been received by this office from the Assistant General Manager, 220KV Salakati Grid S/S, AECGL, Salakati for diversion (under FCA-1980) of 1.94 ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The project envisages the use of forest land for Construction of "132 KV S/C Transmission line from Salakati Grid S/S to APM (Jogighopa)". The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on 30th April, 2021.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency falls under **Nadangiri Hill R.F.** measuring **1.9413 HA** in total. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project.

Salient features of the proposed diversion area:

- There is no plantation raised by this division in the proposed area
- The area consist few numbers of Sal and other trees mainly pole size and the ground vegetation includes grasses, Euphatorium species, Clerodendron infortunatum etc.
- The Forest area to be diverted is mostly plain except a few stretches gently undulating.
- The density of the forest area to be diverted for the project is 20 to 30%

The user agency has not violated the provisions of Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.

Specific recommendation for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal:

The construction of transmission line would benefit the public and is in the national interest. Therefore, the diversion proposal is recommended for acceptance.

Date: 30th April, 2021

Place: Kokrajhar

Signature:

Name:

Designation:

(Š. Sundar, IFS)

Divisional Forest Officer Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar

