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No. Desk-17/Nodal Cell/17-44405/2015-16 Nagpurr-440 001, dated 05

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests (T) All

Subject: Submission of site inspection report (S.I.R) alongwith proposal for diversion of forest land for non forest purpose under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

The proposals for diversion/ de- reservation of forest land for non forest purpose seeking prior approval of Government of India under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are submitted to this office by Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial). However, it has been observed that in the site inspection report submitted along with the proposals, complete information relating to the forest and aspects of wildlife are not given. Therefore, a revised site inspection report (S.I.R) format is prescribed herewith. Henceforth, the Deputy Conservator of Forests (T)/ Chief Conservator of Forests (T) concerned should give specific information related to each component in the S.I.R. It is expected that the Inspecting Officer should clearly record in the proforma if any violation is committed in that area by the User Agency. In any case, the S.I.R of Chief Conservator of Forests (T) should be categorical and specific, and should be sent with photographs of the site highlighting the aspects observed, especially when the area is large, sensitive or fragile. Every proposal up to 40 hectaremust be accompanied by a site inspection report from the Dy.CF and proposals involving area above 40 hectares should have a site inspection report from the CCF (T).

Due diligence should be observed while submitting the site inspection report along with proposal under FCA, 1980 in future. These instructions should be followed scrupulously and also brought to the notice of all Deputy Conservator of Forests (T). Encl:-As above

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Copy with compliments to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) (All) for information and necessary action.

## Site Inspection Report

Prescribed vide PCCF (HoFF) No.Desk-17-4/1445, Dated.5/11/2015

Sr No	Items	Observations and remarks
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	
2	Name of the User Agency	
3	Date of site inspection	
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion	
5	a) Details of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of forest land	
	b) Density and Eco-value class	
6	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col.2 of Part- I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternative examined	
7	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not? If yes, details thereof	
8	a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not.	
	<ul> <li>b) Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in</li> </ul>	

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	proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.	
	c) Acrial distance from the nearest boundary of any Protected Area (km)	
	<ul> <li>d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project:</li> </ul>	
	e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons therefor:	
9	<ul> <li>Details of vegetation:</li> <li>a) Total number of trees to be felled:</li> <li>b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm:</li> <li>c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm:</li> <li>d) Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area</li> </ul>	
10	Background note on the proposal (short summary)	
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
12	Whether the proposal involves	
12	rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	

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	culturable command area under the project (if applicable)	· ·
	Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable)	
14	Utility of the project	
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/religious values? Whether any scared grove or very old growth trees/ forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion?	
16	Any other important information related to the project (Separate note may be attached, if required)	
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	
18	Recommendations of the Inspecting Officer (CCF/CF/DCF)	

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(Signature)

Place:	Name of Inspecting Officer:
Date:	Designation:

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