

Minutes of 4th Regional Empowered Committee meeting held on 8th Sept 2015 (previously scheduled on 4th Sept 2015) in Regional Office Lucknow

Agenda item 4.1 Uttar Pradesh

8B/UP/07/08/2015/FC : Diversion of 11.809 ha reserve forest land for Construction of *Western Dedicated Freight Corridor* in Uttar Pradesh by Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation Ltd. in Gautam Buddha Nagar Social Forestry Division

Details of the proposal-

As per proposal submitted by the Govt of ~~Rajasthan~~ ^{Uttar Pradesh}, the details of the proposal are-

1. The proposal has been signed and recommended by the all the concerned respective authorities in the part I-V. No specific comments have been made in Part II, III, IV and V of the proposal.
2. Site inspection has been done by the concerned DCF and no violation of FCA has been reported. Requirement of forest land is bare minimum and unavoidable.
3. Project or a part thereof is not located in any Protected Area or Eco-Sensitive Zone. The area is not significant from the wildlife point of view.
4. Information of the details of forest area required for diversion, bar chart, details of trees, location co-ordinates of the proposed alignment of road in forest land and proposed land for CA have been made available in Hard Copy.
5. Digital map of the area proposed for diversion including the KML file of proposed forest land for diversion and the land proposed for Compensatory Afforestation has been made available.
6. Density of vegetation is 0.20 mainly *Prosopis Juliflora*, *Delbergia sissoo*, *Pongamia pinnata*, *Albezia lebbek*, *Accacia arabica*, *Eucalyptus* hybrid etc. Total 3,570 trees are to be felled.
7. Whether any rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna is found in area – No
8. Whether any protected archeological / heritage site/ defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area - No
9. The user agency has submitted undertaking to make payments of NPV, CA etc. The Compensatory Afforestation has been proposed on 24 ha on degraded forest land in three patches of 8.00 ha each in Sarangpur, Bhagwanpur and Sikanderpur Forest Block of Meerut Social Forestry Division at the cost of **Rs 87,00,810/-** only including cost of eight years maintenance.
10. Cost of NPV is **Rs 73,92,434/-** for 11.809 Ha @ Rs 6,26,000/- per Ha for forest type of Eco Class-III (5/E-8B Type).
11. Employment to be generated – Approx 2,19,000 Man days
12. Cost of Project – 2,500 Crore. Cost Benefit Analysis – Not Applicable


Decision of REC-

The proposal was discussed in detail and the committee approved the proposal.



Prof B B Dhār
Member


Shri U M Sahai
Member

Not-present
Shri V C Sacheti
Member


CF (Central)
Member

Not-present
Secretary Revenue
(UttarPradesh)
Special Invitee


Nodal Officer
(UttarPradesh)
Special Invitee


Member
Secretary REC


Chairperson
REC