

## Detailed information on replanting requirements for plots with varying tree population

### a) For Reserved Forests, Protected Forests and other Govt. recorded forests

For diversion of forest land for non-forestry purpose, Forest Conservation Act, 1980 is applicable. Replanting is done by the department in the form of Compensatory Afforestation (CA). The applicability of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) & Net Present Value (NPV) under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 is as below:-

As per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 09-05-2008, no CA and NPV will be charged in the following categories of Projects of public utility:-

Category	Provision
i) Schools ii) Hospitals iii) Children's Play ground on non commercial nature iv) Community centers in rural areas v) Over-head tanks vi) Village Tank vii) Laying of underground drinking water pipeline upto 4 diameter and viii) Electricity distribution line upto 22 KV in rural areas	Full exemption upto 1 ha. of forest land provided: (a) No felling of trees is involved; (b) alternate forest land is not available; (c) The project is of non-commercial nature and is part of the plan/Non Plan Scheme of Government; and (d) The area is outside National Park/Sanctuary
Relocation of villages from the National Parks/Sanctuary to alternate forest land	Full exemption
Collection of boulders/silts from the river belts in the forest area	Full exemption provided: (a) area is outside National Park/Sanctuary; (b) No mining lease is approved/signed in respect of this area; (c) the works including the sale of boulders/silt are carried out departmentally or through Government under or through the Economic Development Committee or Joint Forest Management Committee; (d) the activity is necessary for conservation and protection of forests; and (e) the sale proceeds are used for protection/conservation of forests
Laying of underground optical fiber cable/CNG/PNG pipeline (2 meter depth and 1.00 width)	Full exemption provided; (a) no felling of trees is involved; and (b) areas falls outside National Park/Sanctuary

However, for above public utility projects with less than 1 ha of forest land, involving felling of the trees, then CA shall be charged. In these cases 10 times the number of trees felled or double the area diverted, whichever is higher, shall be taken as an area for CA.

No non-forest land is to be provided by the user agency in those project which belong to Central Govt./ Corporation wherein more than one hectare forest land is involved for non forestry purposes.

1. The NPV of forest land in State of Haryana is charged @ Rs. 887000 per ha. as per Hon'ble Supreme Court of India order dated 28.03.2008.
2. Those projects involving Central Govt./Corporation wherein more than one hectare forest land is involved for non forestry purposes, double the area diverted shall be used for CA and NPV shall be charged @ Rs. 8.87 lacs per ha.
3. In case of those projects belonging to State Govt., involving forest area to be diverted more than 1 ha, if the land to be diverted belongs to the same department (User Agency), then no need to transfer the land for CA purpose to Forest Department. However, in case the land belongs to other line department than the one purposing diversion of forest land, then the land equivalent to forest area diverted has to be transferred to Forest Department by the User Agency. In addition to it, as usual, NPV amount shall also be realized from the User Agency.
4. As regards the CA, if the land belongs to User Agency, then CA shall be taken up on land equivalent to twice the degraded area. However, in case the land does not belong to the User Agency, then User Agency has to transfer the land equivalent to area diverted and CA shall be taken up on the land equivalent to area diverted by User Agency. NPV shall be charged in both cases as per the rule i.e. Rs. 8.87 lacs per ha.

**b) For areas closed under section 4 or section 4 & 5 of Punjab Land Preservation Act, 1900**

1. There is no replanting requirement for granting permission for felling of trees from areas closed under general section 4 of PLPA, 1900. However, DFO / CF may put a condition for replanting while granting such permission under e-Citizen service namely "Permission for felling of trees from PLPA areas" at <https://haryanaeseva.gov.in>
2. If a particular area (with khasra nos.) is closed under specific section (i.e. 4 & 5) of PLPA, 1900, it is treated as a forest area and the provisions of FCA, 1980 are applicable for diversion of forest land for non-forestry purpose / granting permission for felling of trees and the permission is granted at <http://forestsclearance.nic.in/>