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No: A4/GFL/WS EE GDG/0.13 Ha/CR-36/2021-22/FC

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SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Sub: Diversion of 0.13 Ha. of forest land in, Binkadakatti village of Gadag Taluk, Hosur, Kadakol, Kusalapur, M.Hosalli, Machenahalli, Sevanagar villages of Shirahatti Taluk, Adaralli village of Laxmeshwar Taluk, & Shivajinagar village of Mundargi Taluk of Gadag District for construction OHT/GSLR & laying of pipeline in favour of Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply Sanitation Division Office, Industrial Estate, Hubli Road Gadag.

Proposal No: FP/KA/WATER/149106/2021.

Ref: Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division Office, Industrial Estate, Hubli Road Gadags letter no: EE: RDWS: & S: DN: GDG /JJM- FORESTLAND /JE /2021-22. dated: 14.01.2022.

This to certify that 01.02.2022, I have inspected the proposed locations for diversion of forest land in 1) Binkadakatti village F.Sy.No-61 of Gadag Taluk, 2) Hosur F.Sy.No-7, 3) Kadakol F.Sy.No-220 & 229, 4) Kusalapur F.Sy.No-72, 5) M.Hosalli (Kadkol) F.Sy.No-135, 6) Machenahalli F.Sy.No-19A, 7) Sevanagar (Kerehalli) F.Sy.No-25 villages of Shirahatti Taluk, 8) Adaralli village F.Sy.No-25 of Laxmeshwar Taluk 9) Shivajinagar (Singtarayankere) village F.Sy.No-90 of Mundargi Taluk of Gadag District.

These locations have been proposed for construction of Ground Level Storage Reservoir /Over Head Tank (OHT) of 5000 litres capacity and laying of pipeline connecting to old pipeline to provide for drinking water to villages. Under this scheme, every household will be provided with tap water connections through this pipeline.

Proposed areas for diversion do not have any tree growth and all are very close to existing village settlements and already have some old pipelines which are providing drinking water. The surrounding area of forests have sparse tree growth as the ecosystem is primarily

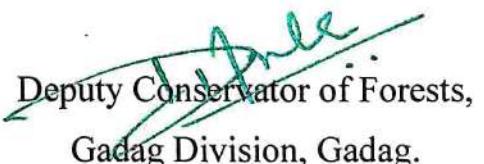
grassland ecosystem. There is no standing tree growth anywhere in the area proposed for diversion.

The locations Kadakol F.Sy.No-135, 220 & 229 and Kusalapur F.Sy.No-72 fall within the Kapattgudda Wildlife Sanctuary, while the other locations Machenahalli F.Sy.No-19A and Sevanagar (Kerehalli) F.Sy.No-25 villages of Shirahatti, and Shivajinagar (Singtarayankere) village F.Sy.No-90 of Mundargi Taluk fall within the proposed Eco Sensitive Zone of Kappathagudda Wildlife Sanctuary. The three remaining locations viz. Binkadakatti village F.Sy.No-61 of Gadag Taluk, Adaralli village F.Sy.No-25 of Laxmeshwar Taluk and Hosur F.Sy.No-7 of Shirahatti do not fall either within the Wildlife Sanctuary or the proposed Eco Sensitive Zone.

However the project if located in these areas has no direct effect on the wildlife as it is just beside the existing settlements and on the boundary of the forest areas.

The project cannot be located in alternative locations because of the gravity of the proposed OHTs. These are chosen so as to provide water to the villages through gravity

No protected archeological/ heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monuments are located in the proposed area. There are old OHT tanks constructed long back in these areas before and now new OHTs are proposed just beside the old ones. The present agency has not constructed those old tanks and hence now for fresh work they are applying for diversion under Section (2) of the Forest Conservation Act,1980.



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