

Site Inspection Report of The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dharwad Division, Dharwad

On 10-12-2021 along with the Survey RFO, Deputy Range Forest Officer (Kalkeri Section) Dharwad, and staff and representatives of User Agency viz Executive Engineer PWD Division, Dharwad and Assistant Executive Engineer PWD Sub division, Dharwad. I have inspected the proposed site for Diversion of 0.9850 Ha of Forest land for improvement of road from Kalakeri to Hunashikumari Village, Dharwad Taluk, Dharwad in favour of Executive Engineer, PWD, Dharwad. The proposed diversion area fall under jurisdiction of Dharwad Range of Dharwad Forest Division.

During inspection of the proposed site for Diversion following points were observed.

The proposed site for diversion is situated at Kalkeri and Hunashikumari reserve forest.

G.P.S readings of the proposed area.

Block I	15.41603974	74.87812806	15.41515457	74.87677487
Block II	15.41496658	74.87670011	15.4143856	74.87485969
Block III	15.41376607	74.87213703	15.41151073	74.8723143
Block IV	15.41146534	74.87228508	15.41045167	74.87118068
Block V	15.40943574	74.86845676	15.40923594	74.86783481
Block VI	15.40854468	74.86566848	15.40702739	74.86205402
Block VII	15.40281863	74.85968293	15.39937009	74.85875448
Block VIII	15.9877919	74.85816033	15.39808903	74.85743377
Block IX	15.39788558	74.85712636	15.39665489	74.8561818.

No Rare/endangered/RET/Unique Species are found in the proposed area.

No Wildlife/ Corridor activities are going in and around the proposed area.

Proposed area does not fall under any Archaeological/Heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument of protected area.

Proposed area does not fall under any Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of the protected area.

No trees felled in the proposed area.

Justification given by User Agency in their letter no Forest proposals/PWD/DHARWAD/15/07/2021 Dated 15/07/2021 addressed to The PCCF (FC) AND NO (FCA) states as ;

- There is no alternative existing road between Kalakeri village and Hunashikumari village. However there is a existing road in the revenue village map (Published in the year 1940) between Kalakeri village and Hunashikumari village.
- Presently in some stretches of this road in revenue map, the road is shifted in forest area (some survey no) by road users, due to various reasons (hill, valley, slush, pond etc) since many years to the extent of 0.9850Ha.
- This shifted road almost runs parallel to the road as per revenue map.
- More than 2000 valuable trees are existing on the revenue village road at different stretches 1.6Ha area (road which is not in use presently)
- If the road is to be constructed n the stretch as per revenue map, many well grown more than 2000 trees have to be cut/removed, which will be of great loss to the environment.
- Presently enjoyed road is proposed for improvement, the diversion of forest land is to the extent of 0.9850Ha.

In compliance of the instructions given in PCCF (FC) letter no: KFD/HOFF/A52K(GFL)/25/2020-FC Dated 26-08-2021, User Agency has acted in accordance with all the observations raised. In perusal of instructions given in letter no: KFD/HOFF/A52K(GFL)/25/2020-FC Dated 24-06-2021, temporary pillars at regular intervals of 20 meter and at all corner points have been affixed.

Diversion of forest land as proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and bare minimum of requirements. Hence proposal may be recommended for the diversion of above said forest area for road in favour of Executive Engineer, PWD, Dharwad., as per the provisions prescribed in section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980.

Place: Dharwad
Date : 14-12-2021


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