## Karnataka Forest Department

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Name of the work:

Diversion of 0.4867 ha of forest land in Sy No.145 of Achanur Village, Bagalkot Taluk and District, Bagalkote Forest Division for improvement of Achanur Hill Road to Narashimhaswamy Temple on the Hill Top in favour of Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Sub Division, Bagalkote

## Recommendation

I have inspected the forest area proposed for diversion under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 0.4867 ha of forest land in Sy No.145 of Achanur Village, Bagalkot Taluk and District, Bagalkote Forest Division for improvement of Achanur Hill Road to Narashimhaswamy Temple on the Hill Top in favour of Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Sub Division, Bagalkote, on 08-05-2022. The proposed area falls in Sy No.145 of Achanur Village, Bagalkot Taluk and District which is Reserve Forest.

During the inspection of the proposed site, it is found that there is a motorable mud path which is being used by the locals. In addition, there are steps to approach the temple. The devotees who could not climb the steps, use this mud path to reach the temple on vehicles. The proposed area falls on this existing mud path, indicating this path is proposed to be upgraded to make it all-season road. It is site specific as it is the only option to reach the temple on vehicles. The area does not fall in any wildlife sanctuary or National Park and it does not affect any monuments of historical, recreational, archaeological importance. Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 is not violated in this case. The demand for forest land proposed is minimum and hence this proposal is recommended for acceptance.

Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bagalkote Division, Bagalkote.