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## Karnataka Forest Department

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

Date:05.02.2022

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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, & Shiviajinagar 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.

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

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The Forest land required is hybrid in nature that is an OHT/ GLSR and a pipeline connected to it which is mainly to provide drinking water to every household under the Jal Jeevan Mission Scheme. The project is to provide tanks in 320 villages of the Gadag district out of which 10 tanks fall within the limits of Forest areas.

The area although falling within the proposed Eco Sensitive Zone of Kappathagudda Wildlife Sanctuary has no direct effect on the wildlife as it is just beside the already existing settlements and on the periphery of the forest boundaries. The pipeline once laid in the forest land, the land can be restored to its original state.

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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.

Since, the project is an important public utility project and part of a Scheme envisaged to provide drinking water to every household through tap connections in every house, its important that the project is sanctioned at the earliest and hence diversion of 0.13 Ha. of forest land is recommended for approval to be diverted under FCA, 1980.

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