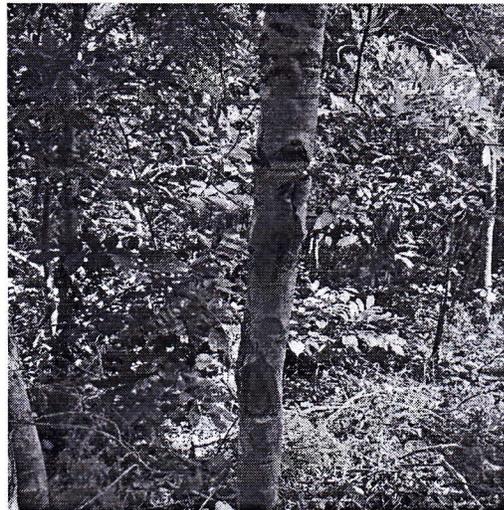


SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE FOREST AREA PROPOSED FOR DIVERSION OF 2.71 HA FOREST LAND FOR LAYING OF WBM ROAD FROM PALAGEDDA TO NAGALOVA PASSING THROUGH THE RESERVED FORESTS OF KAKINADA DIVISION FOR IN FAVOUR OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, TW DIVISION, RAMPACHODAVARAM BY THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KAKINADA DIVISION, KAKINADA ON 17.01.2019

In compliance to the instructions of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh, Guntur, I have inspected the proposed site for diversion of 2.71 ha Forest Land for Laying of WBM Road from Palagedda to Nagalova passing through the Reserved Forests of Kakinada Division for in favour of the Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram along with concerned staff on 17.01.2019 and submit my remarks as follows.

1. The road passes through thick forest of Palagondhi RF, Compt.No.41 & 46, Palagondhi Beat of Gurthedu Section and Comp.no.24 & 25 of Antilova RF, Donkarai Beat of Donkarai Section.
2. Total No.of trees need to be felled are Teak & Misc. **6810** nos (Statement to be submitted)
3. As per field verification length of the road is **15000** mtrs and a width of 7.50 mtrs.
4. The above said road proposals were verified on the field and the User agency has not committed any violation of FC Act,1980 and other relevant acts and Rules.
5. The width of the road is 7.50 mtrs as per the proposals submitted by the user agency. But the proposed area is very sloppy.
6. The proposed road may leads to the destruction of 1984 Teak Plantation (54 Ha) present in surrounding areas.
7. The average density of the adjoining forest is more than 0.8 and is thick forest cover.



8. The area inhabits rich flora and fauna and act as special & unique type of habitat for leopards, Indian gaurs and sloth bears.
9. There are high steep slopes with elevation of 50-70 degrees which may lead to severe destruction to the area if disturbed.

The proposed area is not a part of a National park or Sanctuary. The proposed area is not a part of Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve or Elephant corridor. No Archeologically important structures are present in the proposed area.

Further, it is submitted that, the Palagedda to Nagalova road proposal were verified on the field and there are very less number of households existing in the villages connected by the proposed road. The Providing BT Road into interior area will open doors to the illegal encroachers to encroach upon and also will increase chances of timber smuggling. The proposed road may cause several adverse effects to the existing natural forests and wildlife by way of causing Soil erosion, habitat loss & Habitat fragmentation for wildlife. The disturbance can have detrimental effects on the existing flora and fauna during and after road formation. Hence, the proposal is **not recommended**.


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