Site Inspection Report of the Divisional Forest Officer, Narsipatnam for diversion of 0.14 ha. of forest land for laying of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) from Yerravaram to Pappusettipalem route in favour of M/s. Vindya Tele Links Ltd., Secunderabad on 03.11.2021.



Inspected the proposed area for diversion of **0.14 ha.** of forest land in Compt.no.1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Arilova Beat in Narsipatnam Range for laying of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) from Yerravaram to Pappusettipalem route in Golugonda Mandal of Visakhapatnam District in favour of M/s. Vindya Tele Links Ltd., Secunderabad along with the Range staff and User agency staff.

There are no trees are falling within the proposed width of the proposal as reported by the Forest Range Officer, Narsipatnam. The proposed area falls in the berm regions of the road. The density of the vegetation in the vicinity is 0.5.

The proposed OFC is useful to villages/ hamlets for their connectivity and the panchayts will get easy and convenient access to public services on education, health, security, employment, agriculture, banking, pension, transport, energy, legal and online booking etc., for diversion of forest land in Compt.no.1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Arilova Beat in Narsipatnam Range.

As per Arilova Reserve Forest notified under Section 16 of Madras Forest Act (V of 1882) Gazette Notification i.e., OOTACAMUND, October 14, 1892, the **Right of Way** over the Golgonda-Narasapatnam road. It enters the reserve in No.70 (a) of Nagandhorapalem and leaves it on the western side of No.100 (b) of Erravaram where it enters the enclosure; and then re-entering the reserve on the eastern side of No.89 leaves it on the western side of No.39 of Yaravaram. It traverse the reserve for a total length of one mile and three and a half furlongs. A width of thirty feet to be demarcated out on each side from the centre of the road. The proposed area **0.14 ha.** is recommended for laying of underground OFC along the road as the required forest area is unavoidable for the project and due to this project there is no threat to the local flora, fauna and there is no archeological heritage importance in this locality.

In the inspected area the User agency did not carry out any work in violation of the provisions of FC Act, 1980 and other relevant acts.

Divisional Forest Officer, Narsipatnam.