

**Filed inspection notes of Ms. Suman Beniwal, I.F.S., District Forest Officer,  
Kurnool on 01-12-2021**

On 01.12.2021, I along with Forest Range Officer, Dhone Range, concerned field staff and Railway representative have inspected the 1.36 Ha of forest land in Compartment Nos.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification of track between Guntur and Guntakal stations at Dhone (Rly Km.325/4 to 329/2) in favour of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway, Guntakal. During the inspection the following points are observed.

The North Dhone Reserve Forest was notified U/s-16 vide G.O.No.15, dated.17.12.1897 as Reserved Forest. The DGPS survey had been taken up in the proposed diversion of Forest land and authenticated by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., Guntur vide PCCF Ref.no. PCCF, AP, Guntur Ref.no.EFS02-15024/4/2019-FCA SEC-PCCF/ FCA-1, dt.29.10.2021. The Forest area proposed for construction of new double line and electrification of track is located in

Compartment Nos. : 238 & 239  
 Reserve Forest : North Dhone RF  
 Beat : Dhone  
 Section : Dhone  
 Range : Dhone

Utility of Forest area proposed for diversion is for "Construction of new double line and electrification of track over an extent of 1.36 ha".

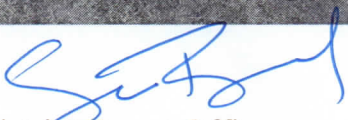
**Observations:**

Following observations were made during the course of the field inspection,-

1. The existing railway line in North Dhone RF existed before 1980.
2. The proposed diversion area required by the user agency for construction of new double line and electrification of track is situated right side of the existing Railway line facing from Guntakal-Guntur.

3. The length of the proposed Railway line is 3599.69 Meters and Avg.Width of the Railway line is 3.79 Meters (as per the DGPS authentication map).
4. The Flora existing in the proposed diversion area is *Rela (Cassia fistula)*, *Maddi (Terminalia elliptica)*, *Thati (Borassus flabellifer)*, *Neem (Azadirachta indica)*, *Neeruddi (Dolichandrone crista)*, *Narayepi (Hardwickia binata)*, *Subabul (Leucaena leucocephala)*, *Regu (Zizhyphus jujube)*, *Chinta (Tamarindus indica)*, *Somi (Soyimida febrifuga)*, *Gotti (Zizhyphus xylopyrus)*, *Sandra (Acacia sundra)*, *Thangedu (Cassia auriculata)*, *Paluvareni (Castanotis indica)* etc.,
5. The Fauna *Peacock, Wild boar, Rabbits, Black bucks.*
6. The density of the proposed diversion area is scrub and non-forest.
7. There is no impact of the project on the adjoining flora and fauna.
8. There are also no endangered Forest species in the proposed diversion area.
9. The proposed area does not fall in any part of National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary/Eco-sensitive zone/Elephant Corridors. The area does not contain any Archeological or Monumental structures. Further, 58.79 km is the aerial distance from the proposed diversion to nearest ESZ Boundary of Rollapadu Wildlife Sanctuary of WLM Division, Atmakur. The location map is appended in Part-II proposal booklet copy.
10. There are no protected archeological/heritage sites/defense establishment or any other important monument in the proposed diversion area.
11. There are no pending claims/ encroachments/ court cases and leases to APFDC Ltd. etc on the said forest land.
12. No violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by user agency is observed during site inspection.
13. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency is barest minimum for the project.



  
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Kurnool.

To  
The Forest Range Officer, Dhone Range.