

Site inspection report of the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri
(Proposed diverted land)

Name of the Project	:	Diversion of 0.389 ha of Forest land in Gummanur Reserved Forest in Dharmapuri Forest Division, Dharmapuri for four laning of Thorapalli Agraharam-Jittandahalli section of new NH-844 from km 23+350 to km 60+100 (design chainage) under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I (National corridor) in Hybrid Annuity by the User Agency, National Highways Authority of India, Krishnagiri.
Name of User Agency	:	The Project Director, National Highways Authority of India – Project Implementing Unit, Krishnagiri.
Date of Inspection	:	07-10- 2021
Staffs accompanied	:	Thiru. C. Selvam, Forest Range Officer and Range staff.

The proposed site was inspected by the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri on 07-10-2021. The proposal submitted by the User Agency for requesting prior permission under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980, for diversion of 0.389 ha forest land in Gummanur Reserved Forest of Palacode Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division for four laning of Thorapalli Agraharam-Jittandahalli section of new NH-844 from km 23+350 to km 60+100 (design chainage) under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I (National corridor) in Hybrid Annuity.

The proposed area is passing through the Gummanur Reserved Forest of Palacode Range. During the field inspection of proposed area, it is observed that,

1. The User Agency, i.e., The Project Director, National Highways Authority of India – Project Implementing Unit, Krishnagiri has not yet commenced any work in the field, therefore the question of violation of provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 does not arise and there is no encroachment in this area.
2. The forest land required for the project is not the part of any National Park / Wildlife sanctuary / Biosphere.
3. The proposed alignment lies in the Gummanur Reserved Forest of Palacode Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division.
4. In the alignment of the proposed road, there are existing 10 numbers of trees which are spontaneous growth in nature and requires felling.
5. The proposed road is to be laid in two segments to a total area of 0.389 ha.

District Forest Officer (MC),
Dharmapuri Forest Division,
Dharmapuri.

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Photograph showing the inspection of proposed project site by the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri Forest Division, Dharmapuri for four laning of Gummanur RF with the staff of Palacode Range on 07-10-2021.

