

## Karnataka Forest Department Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Dharwad Circle, Dharwad. Forest Campus, Near K.C.Park, P.B Road, Dharwad-580008.

No. A1/GFL/FC/Hunshikumri/Road/CR-3/2021-22

Date: 09-02-2022.

## **Recommendation Letter**

Diversion of 0.985 Ha. Forest Land in Kalakeri & Hunshikumri Villages Dharwad Taluk & District for construction of Road in favour of Executive Engineer Public works, Ports & inland water Transport Department Dharwad.

With reference to the above subject, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dharwad has submitted the proposal of "Diversion of 0.985 Ha. Forest Land in Kalakeri & Hunshikumri Villages Dharwad Taluk & District for construction of Road in favour of Executive Engineer Public Works, Ports & Inland Water Transport Department Dharwad".

In Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dharwad report the following observations has been made.

- No Rare/endangered/RET/Unique Species are found in the proposed area.
- No Wildlife/ Corridor activities are going in and around the proposed area.
- Proposed area does not fall under any Archaeological/Heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument of protected area.
- Proposed area does not fall under any Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of the protected area.
- No trees felled in the proposed area.
- There is no alternative existing road between Kalakeri village and Hunashikumari village. However there is a existing road in the revenue village map (Published in the year 1940) between Kalakeri village and Hunashikumari village.
- Presently in some stretches of this road in revenue map, the road is shifted in forest area (some survey no) by road users, due to various reasons (hill, valley, slush, pond etc) since many years to the extent of 0.9850Ha.
- This shifted road almost runs parallel to the road as per revenue map.
- More than 2000 valuable trees are existing on the revenue village road at different stretches 1.6Ha area (road which is not in use presently)

- If the road is to be constructed n the stretch as per revenue map, many well grown more than 2000 trees have to be cut/removed, which will be of great loss to the environment.
- Presently enjoyed road is proposed for improvement, the diversion of forest land is to the extent of 0.9850 Ha.

Since the proposed area for diversion is less than 40 Ha. can be forwarded without site inspection of Chief Conservator of Forests as per the section 6 (g) of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980. I agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dharwad Division, Dharwad.

Diversion of forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable & bare minimum of requirements. Hence proposal may be recommended for the diversion of above said forest area for road in favour of Executive Engineer, PWD, Dharwad as per the provisions prescribed in section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Conservator of Forests, Dharwad Circle, Dharwad.