

**Field Inspection Note of Sri T. Chakrapani, M.Sc., ED.,
Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor West Division, Chittoor
in Punganur Range on 25.10.2016.**

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To day accompanied by Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Madanapalle, the Forest Range Officer, Punganur and the Chandramakulapalle beat staff and the User Agency inspected the following.

1. Forest area proposed for diversion for quarrying of granite in favour of **M/s Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor.**

Location :

Compt No. : 103

RF : Boyakonda

Beat : Chandramakulapalle

Section : Punganur

Details of Forest area proposed for diversion:

a) Mining area	:	3.46 Ha
b) Road area	:	0.41 Ha
c) Safety Zone area	:	<u>0.60 Ha</u>
Total	:	<u>4.47 Ha</u>

OBSERVATION:

The Mining area is mainly confined to hillock having gentle slope and the 70% area is covered with sheet rock and 30% area covered with small trees and thorny bushes. The area surrounded by scrub forest all around and there are no water bodies in the vicinity. There are no historical, religious, archeological, or recreational sites etc., in or close to the proposed mining area. The area does not fall in any wildlife sanctuary and national park.

The flora consists of mainly species like Thumaki, Rela, Juvvi, Nemaliuduga, Beera, Sara, Chilla, Vepa, Palavarani etc., due to the underlying rock strata the growth of the trees is stunted, and not to providing rather economic and the density of vegetation is less than 0.10 (as per compartment history).

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The above proposed area does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere, Tiger Reserve, Elephant corridor. There are no rare, endanger/unique species of flora & fauna in the proposed area. There are no protected archaeological/heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument in the proposed area.

There are no works carried out in violation of FC Act in the proposed area. The requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the user agency is bare minimum for the project.


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