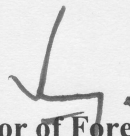# RECOMMENDATION REPORT

I have inspected the proposed site of *Diversion of 5.724414 Ha Forest land Proposed* "Widening to Two Lane with Paved Shoulders from km 24.600 to km 70.063 (45.463kms) of Mudigere - Kadur Section of NH-173 on EPC mode in the State of Karnataka" in Reserve/Village/Deemed forest of Dasarahalli (Lakya Hobli) Sy No. 59, 60, Halelakaya Sy No.118, Devarahalli Sy No.59, 60, Hiregouja Sy No.112 in Chikkamagaluru Range and Sakrepattna Sy No.74, 744, Bramhasamudra Sy No.302 Yemmedoddi Sy No.1 (New Sy No.70) Kadur Range on 24-03-2022. The area is one linear patch located in Churchegudda RF extension Block, Deverahalli Deemed, Hiregouja VF, Sakrepattna and Bramhasamudra Sec-4 Notified and Yemmedoddi Tiger Preserve (sec-4 Notified) Forest. This area is having sparse tree growth and list of trees to be cut are submitted separately. This area is required by the user agency for implementation of the project. Totally *5.724414* Ha is recommended for lease, with following conditions.

Considering the importance of the project for the general public and its minimal impact on the immediate environment the proposal is recommended for appropriate consideration. However the User Agency should be asked to takeup following mitigative measures in order to facilitate sustainance of wild flora and fauna in the area.

1. Underpasses for movement of wild animals (Wild boars, Sambar, Leopards etc) at least at two locations within the diverted patches of forest area.
2. Planting suitable tree species on both sides of the widened road.
3. Display of sufficient number of large sized hoardings to keep the commuters away about the movement of wild animals in the select stretches of the road.
4. To set speed limits at select stretches of road used by wild animals for crossing.
5. Assisting department for taking up suitable mitigating measures for forest protection and wildlife conservation in the forest areas adjoining the proposed road.

Place:Chikkamagaluru
Date: 11-04-2022

Conservator of Forests,
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