## **RECOMMENDATION LETTER**

The user agency has requested for the diversion of 9.04 Ha of forest land in Shivamogga Division for the Construction of New BG Railway line in Forest Lands in Various Villages of Shimoga and Davangere District in favor of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, South Western Railway, Mysore.

The proposed forest area comes under Siddalipura M.F and deemed forest in Kondajji village are in Eco-sensitive zones (ESZ). Necessary wildlife mitigation plan has been proposed to be carried out by User Agency wherever wildlife movement is there. There are no violations of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the proposed area. The project is found to be essential for the local people as it provides the essential connectivity to the rural people of Shikaripura Taluk and it also provides employment for the local people. Hence the "Proposal No. FP/KA/RAIL/155505/2022" submitted by the user agency Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, South Western Railway, Mysore" can be considered.

Deputy Conservator of Forest Shivamogga Division, Shivamogga