Site Inspection Report

Sub :- Diversion of 13.94 Ha. (12.97 ha for Mining and 0.97 Ha. Approach Road) of Forest land in Aihole Village Fs No. 166, Hiremagi Village Fs. No. 65 and Ramthal Village Fs. No. 116, Amingad Hobali, Hunagund Taluk, Bagalkote District (H-S-Aihole Iron Ore Mine: ML No. 2649) in favour of M/s. Doddanavar Brothers. (Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/42914/2019)

I have inspected the forest land involved in this proposal on 18-03-2020, along with Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bagalkot & his staff and the representative of User Agency.

The proposed land Spreads over Aihole Village Fs No. 166, Hiremagi Village Fs. No. 65 and Ramthal Village Fs. No. 116, extend of is which 12.97 ha. for mining and 0.97 ha. is for existing road Part of the ML No. 2394.

The following observations are made:-

- 1. No illegal mining activities are noticed in the proposed area.
- 2. Boundary of the proposed mining area is surveyed.
- 3. There are no Historical monuments, religious, archeological important structures found in the proposed area.
- 4. As the lease is on the top of the hillock, there is need to takeup extensive soil and moisture conservation works at the cost of the User Agency.
- 5. Chinkara Wildlife Sanctuary is located at a distance of about 70 km from the Proposed site.
- 6. Proposed mining area is not coming under Western Ghats.
- The proposed area falls in Eco-class IV- open Forest as per letter No. 5-3/2007-FC, Dated: 05-02-2009.

With the above observations, I recommend for diversion of 13.94 Ha. (12.97 ha.

for Mining and Approach road) in favour of M/s Doddanavar Brothers, the proposal is submitted in 4 sets herewith for favour of kind perusal and further needful action.

(P. B. Karunakar) Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle, Belagavi.

Belagavi 22-03-2020