

Site Inspection Report of Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu, in Compt. No. 339 of Penukonda RF of Penukonda beat of Penukonda Section of Penukonda Range for diversion of Forest land over an extent of 0.405 Ha for Construction of Raw Water Sump and Pump House, GLBR, laying of pipeline and Watchman room etc., for Supply of water to Hindupur town in Ananthapuramu District.

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I have inspected the forest land of 0.405 Ha area proposed for diversion in Compt. No. 339 of Penukonda RF of Penukonda beat of Penukonda Section, Penukonda Range "for Construction of Raw Water Sump and Pump House, GLBR, laying of pipeline and Watchman room etc., for Supply of water to Hindupur town in Ananthapuramu District" in favour of Superintending Engineer, Public Health Circle, Ananthapuramu on 02.02.2018. During the inspection, the Forest Range Officer, Penukonda and concerned field staff were presented.

In the proposed area the existing natural growing stock is Chigara (*Albizia amara*), Neeruddi (*Dolichandrone atrovirens*). The proposed forest land runs all along the boundary of the Penukonda Reserve Forests.

The density of the vegetation is less than 0.20.

The wild life consists of evidences of Wild Boar, Wolf, Fox, Rabbit etc., The said area is prone to soil erosion.

The proposed area is not a part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve or Elephant Corridor etc. No rare / Endangered / unique species of flora and fauna are found the area.

The proposed diversion of area will not cause any adverse impact on the natural eco-system of the area and vegetation including wildlife. There is no much vegetation in the proposed area for diversion.

No protected archaeological heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. The forest area of 0.405 Ha proposed for diversion in Penukonda RF as required by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. No work was carried out in violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Divisional Forest Officer,
Ananthapuramu.

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