



OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FOREST
BALLARI DIVISION, BALLARI

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

The proposed site for diversion of 23.3876 ha (Revised from 38.50 ha) of Forest land for 130.00 MW of Power Storage Plant project in Kurekuppe, Vaddu, Bannihatti, Taranagara, Lingadahalli, Kodalu, Chikkanthapura villages, Donimalai RF, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. JSW Renewable Energy (Vijayanagara) Limited, Toranagallu was inspected personally by me on 26th May, 2023.

M/s. JSW Renewable Energy (Vijayanagara) Limited, Toranagallu has submitted online application for diversion 23.3876 ha (Revised from 38.50 ha) of Forest land for 130.00 MW of Power Storage Plant project in Kurekuppe, Vaddu, Bannihatti, Taranagara, Lingadahalli, Kodalu, Chikkanthapura villages, Donimalai RF, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District vide online Proposal No. FP/KA/HYD/152438/2022 under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

The proposed unit of land measuring 23.3876 ha falls in Kodalu RF, Ubbalagandi Extn RF, Bannihatti Sy.No.224(Section-04 proposed area) and Donimalai Forest Block. The Forest is of Eco class-III with Southern Dry Deciduous type of Forests. The proposed area is sparsely vegetated with trees like, *Albizia amara*, *Acacia catechu*, *Grewia tillaefolia*, and etc and it is situated on moderate to steep slope forest area. Because of which there may be an issue of soil erosion. In this regard, the User Agency was directed to prepare Catchment Area Treatment Plan (CATP) and User Agency is supposed to implement the measures as mentioned in CATP in order to reduce soil erosion and related impact on the proposed site. Enumeration of the trees (2539 Nos) that need to be felled has been done.

The proposed forest land is not part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve and elephant corridor etc. Further, the proposed area is 8.00 km away from the Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 6.50 kms away from Eco-sensitive zone of Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary, 17.10 km away from the Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 15.30 kms away from draft (proposed) Eco-sensitive zone of Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary

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Dated:27.07.2023
Place: Ballari

Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Division, Ballari