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### SITE INSPECTION REPORT

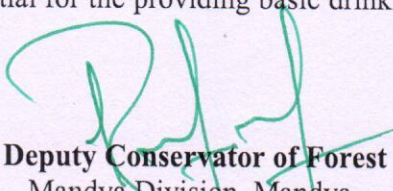
Proposal Name: Diversion of 0.249 ha of Forest Land in Ballekere village for providing water supply to Gamanahalli & other Villages, Srirangapatna Taluk, Mandya

Proposal No. FP/KA/WATER/143071/2021

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Site inspection have been done at the proposed project area on 12-12-2022, along with the Range Forest Officers – Srirangapatana range, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Mandya Sub-division, and other jurisdictional officers and representatives of the Rural Drinking Water project team. It is a multi-village drinking water supply project and has components like water tanks, pipelines and service road. It is a hybrid project and the proposed forest land for diversion falls in Ballekere village survey no. 98. The identified land parcels for diversion were C & D class land transferred from Revenue Department to Forest Department and now figuring in the list of deemed forest land. Originally, 0.2350 ha area has been requested by the User Agency for the said project. But during the site inspection of the Range Forest officer and team, differences in the area required was found and accordingly based on report of the RFO-EDS has been raised on 06/12/2022. Now after Joint inspection by RFO and User Agency, the User Agency has uploaded response to the raised EDS along with the rectification of area discrepancy in their application through the portal. Accordingly, The User Agency has now requested to release the area of 0.249 ha forest area required for the said project.

The project requires 0.249 ha of forest land to be diverted. The project area is predominantly a hillock and slopes with grasslands and occasional tree growth and moderately higher tree growth along the foothill. The forest vegetation varies from natural open grassland with sporadic tree growth to moderate dense and also has old eucalyptus and Maddi plantations in some areas. Enumeration of tree numbers, girth and height along with the species, falling within the proposed project area were done and reported by the RFO and the ACF. Details uploaded in Part 2 of the form. No rare and endangered unique species of flora and fauna is found in the proposed area. The project does not fall in areas of any monument of historical, recreational or archaeological importance including National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuary. The project location at Ballekere Sy. No. 98 being proposed now by the UA has an aerial distance of approximately 6.2 KM from the Gendehosahalli island of Ranganthittu Bird Sanctuary. Hence the opinion of DCF Wildlife Mysore on whether or not the remaining non-forest area of the said project falls in any ESZ, may be sought. The forest land proposed for diversion is bare minimum and is essential for the providing basic drinking water facilities the villagers.

  
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