

Site Inspection Report

I have inspected the proposed site for the purpose of carrying out building stone quarrying in Sy No. 124 of Maninalkuru of Bantwal (T) Dakshina Kannada District in favour of Mervyn M Goveas, Falnir Gardens, Kankanady post Mangaluru (T), D.K. District on 06.08.2024. This project is for proposed for Diversion of 0.9737 ha. of forest land at Survey No. 124 of Maninalkuru of Bantwal Taluk D.K. District, Mangaluru Division

The proposed project area is Notified under section 17 No. FFD. 39 FAF 85 Dated:24-02-1986. The entire area of Maninalkuru block-1, was leased to Karnataka Cashew Development Corporation during 1994.

The proposed area is rock lagoon surrounded by rocks, boulders. The area around is covered with scrub forest with vegetation.

According to the Mangalore Forest Division Working Plan, Maninalkur Block-1 is a dry moist forest and falls under Eco Class 3. The forest canopy density in the project area is 0.4.

The area proposed for quarrying purpose is Surrounded by Government School (Aerial distance - 463 mtr), Houses, Temples and Community Health center and locals have expressed their strong opposition to this project. Hence, the proposal may not be considered under forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Conservator of Forests,
Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru.