

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

I along with the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Dandeli and Anshi Sub-division, Gund and Anshi Range Forest Officer and field staff and User Agency inspected the proposed area for Laying of water pipeline & ancillary works in forest land in Bidoli, Amboli, Vadkal & Ulavi villages in Joida taluka of Uttara Kannada District for Irrigation, drinking water & groundwater recharge in favour of "Executive Engineer KNNL, Kalasa Project Division Khanapur Belagavi which was inspected by me on 28-01-2025.

The following observations were made during the site inspection:

1. As per site inspection 0.555 ha forest land is required for the project.
2. The Proposed area comes under Eco-class-1 (Very dense) and has 09 no. of tree growth.
3. The proposed area is part of Anshi National Park and Dandeli Wildlife Sanctuary (Kali Tiger Reserve).
4. Protected archaeological/heritage site /Defense establishments or other important monuments are not located at the proposed site.
5. There is no violation of the Forest Conservation Act 1980, at the proposed location.
6. Kali Tiger Reserve is part of the Malenad-Mysore Tiger landscape, which extends from the Kali Tiger Reserve, in the North, to the Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary, in the South.
7. The reserve harbours rich flora and fauna. It includes tigers, leopard including black panthers, Dholes, Indian Gaur, Spotted Deers, Slender loris, Sambars, Palm civet cat, Malabar Giant Squirrel, endemic Castle rock night frog, hornbills and diverse amphibians and reptiles. It also includes rich floristic diversity.
8. The requirement of the forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and barest minimum.

Hence after considering the above observations, I recommend for the diversion of 0.555 ha. forest land in Laying of water pipeline & ancillary works, in forest land, in Bidoli, Amboli, Vadkal & Ulavi villages in Joida taluka of Uttara Kannada District, for Irrigation, drinking water & groundwater recharge in favour of "Executive Engineer KNNL, Kalasa Project Division Khanapur Belagavi as Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.



Deputy Conservator of Forests and Director

Kali Tiger Reserve, Dandeli