

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

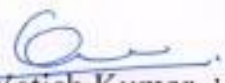
This is to certify that I have inspected the proposed forest area for construction of Toll Plaza with amenities for Up gradation of NH 66 between Goa-Karnataka Border-Kundapur Section (Formerly NH-17) -reg on 18-09-2019 along with Assistant Conservator of Forests, Sub Division Ankola and Karwar. During the inspection the following observations were made.

- 1) The 2259.00 ha. of forest of land has been diverted to project Seabird, Ministry of Defence as per the Government of India, Department of Environment, Forest and Wildlife, New Delhi's letter No: 8-472/83-Fry (Cons) dtd: 31-10-1986 for establishment of IIIrd Naval Base at Karwar subject to certain conditions.
- 2) Total of 9.136 ha. forest land is transferred from Ministry of Defence to NHAI on 28-10-2014. But NHAI included only 6.68 ha. out of 9.136 ha. of forest land transferred from MOD to NHAI in diversion of forest land of 159.80 ha. proposal and obtained Stage-I approval on 06-05-2014. However 2.469 ha. was missed out and hence this proposal is initiated.
- 3) The total forest area proposed is 2.469 ha. but on observation in the field and perusal of records it is found that, 1.02 ha. out of 2.469 ha. is disforested as per the Government Order No: AFD 262 FAF 70 dated: 20-09-1970. Hence only 1.449 ha. is the proposed forest area for re-diversion.
- 4) The toll plaza is very essential for the expansion and maintenance work of NHAI and the construction of Toll Plaza is going on in the proposed area.

Hence, I recommend for the approval of the proposal for re-diversion of 1.449 ha. of forest land from Ministry of Defence to NHAI.

Date: 20/09/2019

Place: Sirsi.


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