

Site Inspection Report

I have inspected the proposed site for the Diversion of 2.5766 Ha. of forest land in Karkala taluk for Construction of 400 KVDC line with Quad moose ACSR for a route length of 179.85 Km from UPCL- Nandikur generating station to 400/220 KV receiving station Shantigrama in Favour of the Executive Engineer (Ele), 400 KV Transmission line works Division, Udupi on 21-05-2022.

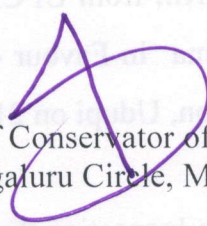
During Site Inspection the proposed area falls under the Mundkuru Block bit II RF and Deemed Forest the user agency requested for Diversion of 2.5766 ha. Vegetation of the area is of dry scrub deciduous type. The area is level to slightly undulating. However only foundation and concrete works for the towers are the earth works involved. So, there is less chance of soil erosion. It doesn't contain any rare and endangered flora and fauna.

As per the Government of India Stage II order No: F.No8-29/2010-FC Dated: 17.01.2012 and Government of Karnataka Order No: FEE 20 FGL 2010, Bangalore, Dated: 01.02.2012 from Kundapur Division an extent of 95.74 Ha. of forest land has been released by the GOI and GOK. By adding the generation and to maintain the power grid stability in the State. The Executive Engineer (Ele), 400 KV Transmission line works Division, Udupi has proposed for additional land which is not included in 1st Proposal of diversion of forest land. This additional proposal is submitted due to minor changes in the alignment required for technical reasons during the execution of the works. In original alignment, the transmission line was passing through the boundary of reserve forest area. But at later stage it was found technically more feasible for the transmission line to pass through the reserve forest area.

It is also found that the User Agency had already completed the construction of the Nandikur- Shantigrama 400KV Transmission line. Hence, currently this area does not require any felling of trees. The proposal can be recommended for sanction, considering

that it helps towards electrification of the State and this project is in public interest and caters to providing basic needs of the people and industrial development of the state.

Hence, the proposal may be considered for clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.


Chief Conservator of Forests,
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Date: 23.05.2022

Place: Mangaluru