

## **SITE INSPECTION REPORT**

Diversion of forest area proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/156224/2022 submitted by the user agency Executive Engineer, National Highway Division, Shivamogga, on web portal [www.parivesh.nic.in](http://www.parivesh.nic.in) has been received by this office on web portal envisages the Diversion of 18.844 Ha of forest land in Sagar Division. The above forest land is required for Construction of 2L+PS Road from km 55.60 to km 90.70 Mavina koppa of NH 766 C with Major Bridges across Sharavathi Back Water. The site inspection of the proposed land has been done by me on 20.09.2022 along with staff of Nagara and Hosanagara Range.

The user agency is requesting for the permission to carry out the Construction of two line highway in Forest Lands of Various Villages of Hosanagara Taluk. The proposed area for diversion lies in following villages,

Sl. No.	Vilage	Forest Name	Sy. No.	Extent in Ha
1	Sutta	Protected Forest (Transferred Land)	10	1.635
			75	0.165
2	Manasetti	Manasetti Sec-4 Area	38	1.866
3	L. Guddekoppa	L. Guddekoppa R.F	45	0.222
		L. Guddekoppa R.F	46	1.260
		Deemed Forest	27	0.450
4	Hebburuli	Deemed Forest	204	1.411
		Hebburuli R.F	221	3.435
			51	3.301
			44	0.945
5	Hosuru	Protected Forest (Transferred Land)	43	0.301
6	Adugodi	Adugodi R.F	74	1.992
			79	1.524
7	Ganganakoppa	Protected Forest (Transferred Land)	21	0.337
Total Extent from 7 Villages				18.844

The total area to be diverted from all 7 villages is 18.844 Ha. All these villages come under the jurisdiction of Nagara & Hosanagara Range. Out of 18.844

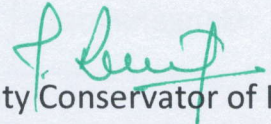


Ha of proposed forest land 2.902 Ha of land was leased to Mysore Paper Mills Limited, in which the company has raised acacia and eucalyptus plantation.

The proposed forest land belongs to Eco Class: 1 of Tropical Wet Evergreen Forests and Southern Tropical Semi-evergreen Forests. Out of 18.844 Ha of proposed forest land 12.909 Ha of forest area has the canopy density of 0.4 (Very Dense Forest), 5.433 Ha of forest area has the canopy density of 0.2 (Dense Forest) and remaining 0.502 Ha has the canopy density of 0.1 (Open Forest), during site inspection the user agency has promised that they will not damage any vegetation other than proposed and permitted. The list of 3219 trees to be felled in the proposed area is enclosed with the proposal. So there will be not much damage to the surrounding forest area except the proposed area for diversion. There are no archeological and heritage sites are found in the proposed area. And the proposed land does not fall within the limits of Eco-Sensitive Zone of any Wildlife Sanctuaries.

As the project pass through the forest area, a wildlife mitigation plan is prepared and enclosed. In which underpasses, chain link mesh, signboards and speed breakers will be constructed which facilitate the movement of wildlife across the highway and reduces the chances of wildlife accidents.

At present the distance between Mavinakoppa to Adugodi is 30.5 km as it circumnavigates around Sharavathi backwater and it takes 1 hour of travel time due to bad condition of existing road. The proposed highway will reduce the travel distance of 30.5 km to 13.83 km from Mavinakoppa to Adugodi and reduces the travel time from 1 hour to just 15 minutes. Hence the travel time is minimal for the local people and thousands of vehicles which travel in this road utilize less fuel than earlier. And this project also provides the essential connectivity to the rural people of Hosanagara Taluk. So the Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/156224/2022 submitted by the user agency "Executive Engineer, National Highway Division, Shivamogga" can be considered.

  
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