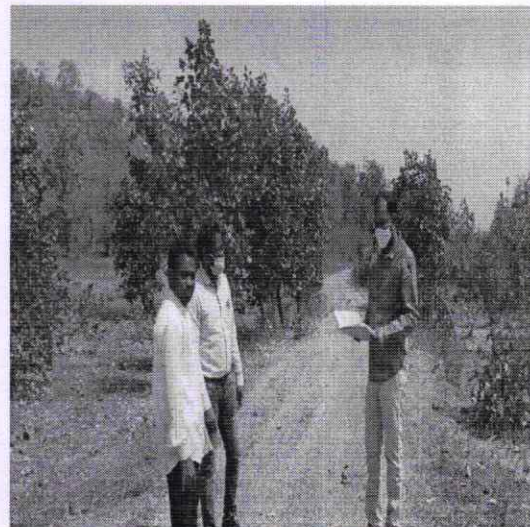


FIELD / SITE INSPECTION NOTES OF THE FOREST DIVISIONAL OFFICER, ADILABAD ON DIVERSION OF 4.8470 Ha FOREST LAND IN UTNOOR RANGE OF FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE EXISTING ROAD AND WIDENING ROAD WORK "MRL02-PWD ROAD AT MEDIGUDA TO MAREGAON via KOTHAPALLY-G, KUNIKASA, PARASWADA-B OF GADIGUDA MANDAL IN MANIKGARH RF BLOCK OF ADILABAD DIVISION OF ADILABAD DISTRICT ON 13.02.2021.

As part of FCA clearance of road on 13.02.2021, I along with concerned Range staff inspected the proposed site for diversion of Forest land (Area 4.8470 Ha, length 8.4298 Km, width 5.75 Mtrs) for Improvement of the existing road and widening road work "MRL02-PWD road at Mediguda to Maregaon via Kothapally-g, Kunikasa, Paraswada-B of Gadiguda mandal in Manikgarh RF block according to DGPS survey map and as per the instructions from PCCF vide Prl. CCF, AP, Hyd. Rc.No. 13048/2020/FCA2/TS, Dt. 28-12-2020 the entry and exit points were checked and found to be correct.

The proposed area passes through along already existing track and the forest type is open forest of Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous with canopy density of 0.1. The soil type is black cotton soil with undulating terrain and also hilly at some portion which is moderately prone for soil erosion.

As per right of way the cart track existed prior to 1980 as per SOI topomap. The proposed road passes through small hillock and ends near point of Maregaon village.



The proposed area is falling in Compt.No. 556/ Beat Kothapally-G / Section Sedwai and Compt.No. 554/ Beat Kolama / Section Gadiguda and Beat Compt.No. 553/Gadiguda/Section Gadigudas of Range Utnoor of Manikgarh Reserve Forest block which is notified under section 15, vide G.O No. RR Dept. Lr No. 12310, dated 29.09.1953. The proposed diversion of forest area for Non forestry purpose i.e along the proposed track having no tree growth and enumeration of tree growth treated as nil.

Regarding the flora present in the area, the species commonly found are *Terminelia tomentosa* (Nallamaddi), *Tectona grandis* (Teak), *Butea monosperma* (Moduga), *Boswellia serrata* (Anduga) *Terminalia Arjuna* (Yerumaddi), *Acacia arabica* (Tumma), *Holoptelia integrifolia* (Nemalinara), *Terminelia bellerica* (Thani), *Xylia xylocarpa* (Tangedi) *Cassia fistula* (Rela), *Cleistanthus collinus* (Nallakodisha), *Buchanania lanzan* (Morri), *Semecarpus anacardium* (Jeedi), *Terminelia chebula* (Gotti), *Bombax ceiba* (Burugu), *Babusa Arundaneshia* (Bamboo) and *Madhuca indica* (Eppa). The fauna in the area majorly consist of *Melursus ursines* (Sloth Bear) *Hysterix indica* (Porcupine), *Lepus nigricollis* (Hare), *Boselaphus tragocamulus* (Nilgai), *Tetracerus quadricornis* (Fourhorned Antelope), *Spotted deer* (*Axis axis*), *Sus scrofa* (Wild boar), *Pavo cristatus* (Indian Peafowl) and *Glaucidium radiatum* (Jungle Owlet).

Regarding violations in the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, there is no violation in the proposed site of the project.

The said proposed area for diversion does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc. There are no rare/ endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the forest area proposed for diversion. There are no protected Archaeological/ Heritage site/Defence establishment or any other important monument in the forest area proposed for diversion.


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The proposed widening of existing road is passing through interior forest area and the surrounding areas covering with good flora and fauna and the road dead end with the village Maregaon. This route has no alternatives for connecting the interior villages.

This project requires barest minimum forest area of 4.8470 Ha, with the total length of 8.4298 Km and width of 5.75 mtrs in Reserve Forest area.

The project is intended to connect many interior tribal villages. The road connectivity improves the standard of life of the interior tribes and facilitates to transport agricultural produce to the nearest market centres.

Thus, this road for improvement of the existing road and widening road work is **recommended (4.8470 Ha area)** based on the field conditions and future impact.


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