FIELD INSPECTION NOTES OF SRI D.SUDHAKAR REDDY, DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, MEDCHAL IN KEESARA RANGE OF MEDCHAL DIVISION.

Inspected the proposed forest area on 30.05.2020 for Diversion of forest land to an extent of 409.53 Ha in Medchal forest division under Medchal District- for Construction of 10 TMC reservoir at Keshavapur with associated components under Godavari river source for drinking water requirements to the Hyderabad City in favour of HMWSSB. The Keshavapur RF of Keesara Range is notified U/s 15 of TS Forest Act, 1967. The proposed area of diversion in Keshavapur RF is entering in Compartment No.242 & 243 at 17.59663110 N, 78.662725536 E upto 17.59487448 N, 78.65443679 E (as shown in the map). Miscelleanous plantation is raised by HUDA in the year 2002 (15) Ha and 2003 (10) Ha. The FRO Keesara has submitted the list of enumerated trees report in Keshavapur RF and its value in the proposed diverted area. The proposed reservoir is in a circular shape and out of 409.53 Ha of Forest, earthen bund will be constructed in 198.00 Ha and remaining 211.53 Ha forest will be under submergence. The total No. of trees existing are 139274 as per random sampling method done in 37 plots in the proposed area of diversion. The total value of the trees is Rs.1,11,82,513.00 as per the enumeration report.

Further it is also found that there are no rare/endangered/unique species of Flora & Fauna found and no protected archeological / heritage site / defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area and it will not affect the existing forest.

Hence, it is recommended for diversion of forest land of 409.53 Ha

District Forest Officer, Medchal.