## Site Inspection Report

I have inspected the forest area proposed to be diverted for the purpose of Construction of 400 KV Quad D/C Transmission Line from Udupi (UPCL) to Kasaragod in favour of Udupi Kasargode Transmission Limited on 20-04-2022. The proposed transmission line is passing through Moodabidre Forest Ranges under Kundapura Forest Division.

An area of 8.968 ha. is proposed to be diverted for Construction of 400 KV Quad D/C Transmission Line through following Reserve Forest and deemed forest of Moodabidre Range.

Village	Sy.No.	Corridor Length (mtr)	Corridor Width (mtr)	Extent (in Ha.)	No.of Trees Enumerated	Remarks
Tenkamijaru	166	232	46	1.066	265	Tenkamijaru RF
Tenkamijaru	100	150	46	0.692	207	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	119	24	46	0.109	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	317/2	59	46	0.27	68	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	166	180	46	0.83	102	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	166	70	46	0.322	101	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	304/3	3	46	0.013	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	166	154	46	0.708	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	222/1	30	46	0.14	26	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	208/1	166	46	0.764	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	208/1	50	46	0.228	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Tenkamijaru	241/1	8	46	0.035	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Badagamijaru	240/1	628	46	2.89	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Badagamijaru	217/2	12	46	0.054	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Badagamijaru	224/4,5,8	7	46	0.031	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Badagamijaru	257/5	2	46	0.01	0	Deemed Forest Area.
Kallamundkuru	141/5A1	59	46	0.272	20	Deemed Forest Area.
Kallamundkuru	117/C	19	46	0.087	11	Deemed Forest Area.
Kallamundkuru	99/1A	97	46	0.447	30	Deemed Forest Area.
	Total	1950		8.968	830	

The land requested for diversion in the proposal is the optimum required for 400 KV Quad D/C Transmission Line and is unavoidable. The alignment is proposed in such a way that forest area requirement is barest minimum. The User Agency has asked 400 KV Quad D/C Transmission Line only average 46 Mtr width Corridor stating that, the Transmission Line is passing through Tenkamijaru RF and Tenkamijaru, Badagamijaru, Kallamundkuru Village Deemed Forests. Accordingly, area is calculated and it is minimum. The land required by the User agency in the Reserve Forest and Deemed Forest measures 8.968Ha. in Kundapura division

On inspection of the site, it is found that, the land required by the User agency is in Reserve Forest measures **1.066Ha.** and in Deemed Forest measures **7.902Ha.** 

The requirement of Reserve Forest area and Deemed Forest as proposed by the User agency in Col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and it is a barest minimum requirement for the project. It is fount that 830 trees are present in the area proposed for diversion.

During my visit, no violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been noticed. The area does not contain any protected archeological / heritage site and it is not marked area for defence establishment. Further, the area does not form National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, and Tiger Reserve or Elephant Corridor and there is no perceived threat to wildlife due to the project.

Regarding identification of area for compensatory afforestation, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chikkaballapur has identified and proposed 62.2 ha. Degraded forest area in Sy. No. 17 (Chinchenahalli Village) and Sy. No. 37 (Udagirinallapanahalli Village) in Gudibande Range, Chikkaballapur District, Further, Chikkaballapur has also issued the CA land suitability certificate and CA scheme. The hard copies of CA related information (Topo Sheet, Topo map, Geo referenced map, CA land Suitability certificate & CA Scheme).

The User agency has to pay the NPV and also User agency has to bear the cost of raising of CA plantation. The **8.968ha**. of forest area is recommended for diversion under the Forest (conservation) Act, 1980.

Date: 26-04-2022 Place: Kundapura. (Ashish Reddy M.V IFS)
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