

FIELD INSPECTION NOTES OF SRI NARENTERAN. GG., IFS., DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, CHITTOOR EAST (WL) DIVISION, CHITTOOR TO THE PROPOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIX-LANE HIGHWAY ROAD FROM CHITTOOR TO THACHUR (NH-716B) IN COMPT.NO.297, PULIKUNDRAM RF / PULIKUNDRAM BEAT OF PUTTUR RANGE 07.05.2022.

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Inspected the forest area, proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (NH-716B) in Compt.No.297, Pulikundram RF / Pulikundram Beat of, Puttur Range is not falling in any scheduled area along with concerned staff and the representative agency of National Highways Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit - Chittoor.

1) Location:

As per the proposal received from User Agency the area proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (from 86+700 to 87+400) (NH-716B) is located in Compt.No.297, Pulikundram RF / Pulikundram Beat, Puttur Range of Chittoor East (WL) Division, Chittoor.

2) Site Description:

The area proposed for diversion area is not overlapping with any other diversion areas. The location of the proposed area falls in the Compt.No.297 of Pulikundram RF, Pulikundram Beat. There is no VSS area in the proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (from 86+700 to 87+400) (NH-716B) area and this area is not covered under RoFR Act, 2006.

3) Details of area proposed for diversion:

For construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (from 86+700 to 87+400) (NH-716B) : 4.54 Ha. (682.457 Mts.)

Sl.	Division	Range	Beat	Forest Block	Compt. No.	Area (in Ha.)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Chittoor East (WL)	Puttur	Pulikundram	Pulikundram	297	4.54
				Total:		4.54

4) Vegetation:

The vegetation consists of Thumma (*Acacia auriculiformis*), Thailam (*Eucalyptus*), Jeedimamidi (*Anacardium occidentale*), Vepa (*Azadirachta indica*), Neredu (*Syzygium cumini*), Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus santalinus*), etc., are available. The density of the vegetation as per ocular estimation is 0.10. Since the proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (NH-716B) in Compt.No.297, Pulikundram RF / Pulikundram Beat of Puttur Range. The area can be grouped under Eco-Class-III vide GoI, MoEF & CC (FCD), File No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I), dt.06.01.2022 and consisting of Tropical Dry Deciduous Open Forests.

5) Flora and Fauna:

Species like Thumma (*Acacia auriculiformis*), Thailam (*Eucalyptus*), Jeedimamidi (*Anacardium occidentale*), Vepa (*Azadirachta indica*), Neredu (*Syzygium cumini*) are available in proposed diversion area i.e., Chittoor to Thachur Road (NH-716B). One number of Red Sander (*Pterocarpus santalinus*) tree available in said diversion area and timber species like Teak and Yagisa area not available. No rare and endangered species of flora and fauna found in the area except one number of Red Sander tree.

Other observations:

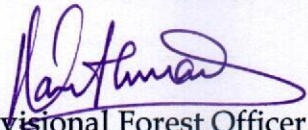
- The area does not form part of National Park / Wildlife Sanctuary / Elephant corridor / Biosphere / Tiger Reserve.
- No protected Archaeological / Heritage site / Defense establishment or another important monument is located in the proposed diversion area.
- The area proposed by the user agency is un-avoidable and barest minimum for the project.
- No violation of the Act has been carried out.

The undersigned has inspected the proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (from 86+700 to 87+400) (NH-716B) in Compt.No.297, Pulikundram RF / Pulikundram Beat of Puttur Range area on 07.05.2022 along with Forest Range Officer, Forest Section Officer, Forest Beat Officer and representative of proposed for construction of six-lane highway road from Chittoor to Thachur (from 86+700 to 87+400) (NH-716B). The proposed area is located in Pulikundram RF of Compt.No.297 of Pulikundam Beat of Puttur Range of Chittoor East (WL) Division, Chittoor has been inspected thoroughly and the abstract of enumeration list of species girth class wise is submitted herewith in the prescribed proforma as called for.

The proposed area is not vulnerable for soil erosion and there is no major adverse impact of the project on any flora and fauna. The area is not falling under any National Park / Wildlife sanctuary / Eco-sensitive zone. The aerial Distance of the proposed area from the Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary is approximately 107 Kms. and from Sri Venkateswara National Park is approximately 56.00 Kms.

The proposed area has No rare / endangered / unique endemic species of flora & fauna. The said area also does not have any Archeological / Heritage / Defense establishments.

The proposed area will not come under any provision of Forest Right, Act as there are no claims in the said area, the requirement of land for the project is unavoidable and the project necessary details have been filled in Part-II and is subsequently uploaded in the ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change website (www.parivesh.nic.in).


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ENCLOSURES:

- ⇒ Photographs of field inspection of DFO.
- ⇒ Map of the proposed area from Wildlife sanctuary and National Park.

**FIELD INSPECTION PHOTO OF SRI NARENTHARAN GG., I.F.S.,
DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, CHITTOOR EAST (WL) DIVISION,
ON 07-05-2022.**

