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Field Inspection notes of Sri S. Ravi Shankar, SFS., Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor West Division, Chittoor on Mining lease area applied by M/s. Sri Vasista Mining, Hyderabad on 14.06.2021.

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Inspected the proposed mining area applied by M/s. Sri Vasista Mining, Hyderabad (T.S.) for mining operations in compt. No.200 of Bodabanda RF & beat on 14.06.2021 along with the Forest Range Officer, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor, Forest Section Officer, M.V.Giri and Beat staff. During the inspection the followings points are observed.

1) Forest area proposed for diversion for quarrying of Black granite lease in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining, Hyderabad is located in

Compt.No.	:	200
Reserved Forest	:	Bodabanda RF
Beat	:	Bodabanda
Section	:	M.v. Giri

Utility of Forest area proposed for diversion is as follows:

a) Mining including dumping area	:	4.16 Ha
b) Safety Zone	:	0.75 Ha
c) For Road formation	:	0.05 Ha
Total	:	4.96 Ha

Observations:

The mining area is mainly confined to hillock top having North-East & South-West aspect and a gradual South to North slope. The Eastern most station of mining area is at 2.72 Kms distance to the NH-4 Chittoor to Bangalore Road (near K.G. Sathram).

The following are the tree, shrub, herb species and thorny bushes observed during inspection.

S.No.	Species name (local)	Botanical name (scientific)
1	Chigara	Albizia amara
2	Pachari	Dalbergia paniculata
3	Nallabalasa	Canthium dieocum
4	Musti	Strychnos nux vomica
5	Vepa	Azadirachta indica
6	Rela	Cassia fistula
7	Reppala	Wrightia tinctoria
8	Narava	Dichrostachys cinerea
9	Juvvi	Ficus infectoria
10		Lantana camara

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Among all, Chigara is dominant species associated with above tree, shrub & herb species. The **proposed mining site is almost rectangular in shape** and surrounded by forest with same species mentioned above all around. There are no water bodies in the vicinity. There are no historical, religious, archeological, or recreational sites etc., in or close to the proposed mining area. The area does not fall in any wildlife sanctuary and National Park.

Measurable diameter class species are Chigara, Pachari, Nallabalasa, etc., Due to the underlying rocky strata the growth of the trees is stunted, and stagnant. The density of vegetation is up to 0.5. No Wild fauna was seen in the area.

The proposed area does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere, Tiger Reserve, Elephant corridor & Eco-Sensitive Zone. There are no rare, endangered/unique species of flora & fauna in the proposed area. There are no protected archaeological/heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument in the proposed area.

- 1) There are no works carried out in violation of FC Act in the proposed area.
- 2) The requirement of Forest land as proposed by the user agency is barest minimum for the project.
- 3) The applied mine area falls under Eco-class.II Open Forests.
- 4) Photos of inspection are enclosed.


Divisional Forest Officer,
Chittoor West Division, Chittoor.

To,
The Forest Range Officer, Chittoor West.

Copy to M/s. Sri Vasista Mining, Hyderabad diversion file.

**Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor West Field Inspection photos of proposed Mining area on 14.06.2021
over 4.96 Ha of M/s Sri Vasista Mining, Hyderabad,**

P.O. G.V.
Chittoor

Compartment No.200 RF : Bodabanda Beat : Bodabanda Section : ~~Chittoor~~ Range : Chittoor West

