## FIELD INSPECTION NOTE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KHAMMAM ON 25.06.2016 IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED DIVERSION OF RESERVE FOREST LAND FOR LAYING OF PIPE LINE AND CONSTRUCTION OF STRUCTURES FOR SEGMENT - 25/13 (RAMACHANDRAPURAM)

As per the proposal for diversion of forest area received by me and request made by Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Khammam, I have inspected the site on 25.06.2016 for Laying of pipe line and construction of structures for segment-25/13 (Ramachandrapuram) in Compt.No.162 of Kistaram beat of Sathupally section, Compt.No.168 of Sathupally Beat of Sathupally Section and Compt.No.149 of Namavaram beat of Rajapuram section of Lankapally Reserve Forest of Sathupally Range and compt.No.133 & 143 of Pentlam beat of Yathalakunta section, Compt.No.350 of Buggapadu Beat of Sathupally Section of AR Pally RF of Sathupally Range and Compt.No.315 of Mustibanda Beat of Dammapeta Section of Gattugudem RF of Dammapeta Range along with concerned Engineers of User Agency and field officers. The User Agency has requested for diversion of 2.808 Ha of Forest land for laying of pipe line for segment-25/13 Ramachandram.

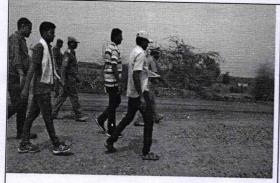
The proposed alignment is a linear patch project passing through the Reserve Forest with an expanse of 2.808 Ha. The User Agency, Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S), Khammam has got the area demarcated on the ground.

I have inspected the site along with the Forest Range Officer of Sathupally and Dammapeta along with concerned staff and it was observed that trees are found in the path of linear project proposed for diversion in Sathupally, Namavaram, Kistaram, Buggapadu and Pentlam Beats of Sathupally Range. The prominent species enumerated are Tiruman, Morli, Teak, Billudu, Chinduga, Garuga, Ippa, Velaga, Togara, Chennangi, Pusuga, Battaganapa, Maredu, Tuniki, Narayepi, Nallamaddi, Somi, Devakanchanam, Yegisa, Tani, Yerumaddi, Gumpena, Nemalinara, Pala, Bamboo, Pachare, Musti, Eucalyptus etc

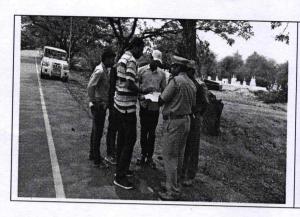
The wildlife present in the surrounding forest areas are Spotted Deer, Wild Boar, Peafowl, Black Naped Hare(Lepus nigricollis), Mangoose, Chowsinga, russels viper etc. However, no indirect evidences of wild life were observed at the time of field inspection.

Other alternatives for this linear project were evaluated, but this proposed project is the shortest and technically feasible compared to others. This is the barest minimum area that is required for laying of pipe line and construction of other structures included in proposal for providing safe Drinking Water Project.

Photographs of the proposed site for laying of water grid pipe line during inspection by the Forest Officials.









The User Agency has submitted their undertakings to implement the following conditions:

The User Agency shall construct boundary pillars separating the proposed area for diversion at every 25 mts interval. The Compensatory Afforestation proposed has to be borne by user agency. The NPV with respect to area used shall be paid by the User Agency. The extraction charges of the timber / fuel as estimated in these areas shall be borne by the User Agency. The area does not fall in wildlife protected areas, archaeological heritage site, important monument. There are no claims pending under RoFR Act, 2006, the District Collector, Khammam has given the certificate in Form-I as per instructions vide GOI, MoEF Ref.11-9/98-Fc (PT) dt: 05.07.2013 for linear projects, duly certifying that the process of identification of Rights under Forest Right Act has been completed in the District and there are no claims pending in the above said Reserve Forest areas.

Hence, the proposals for laying of water pipe line for Segment-25/13 in Compt.No.162 of Kistaram beat of Sathupally section, Compt.No.168 of Sathupally beat of Sathupally Section and Compt.No.149 of Namavaram beat of Rajapuram section of Lankapally Reserve Forest of Sathupally Range and compt.No.133 & 143 of Pentlam beat of Yathalakunta section, Compt.No.350 of Buggapadu Beat of Sathupally Section of AR Pally RF of Sathupally Range and Compt.No.315 of Mustibanda Beat of Dammapeta Section of Gattugudem RF of Dammapeta Range under Telangana Drinking water supply project in Lankapally and AR Pally RFs in Sathupally Range and Gattuguedm RF of Dammapeta Range are recommended with the following conditions.

- The Legal status of the Reserve Forest land proposed to be diverted does not change.
- 2. User Agency has to put two permanent boards at the entrance and exit points of the RF in the above locations about the status of the land.
- 3. Any other conditions imposed by Divisional Forest Officer, Khammam from time to time shall be followed by the User Agency.

The Proposals for diversion of 2.808 Ha of Reserve Forest land for laying of pipe line for Segment-25/13 road are **recommended**.

Divisional Forest Officer, Khammam