FIELD INSPECTION NOTE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, NIZAMABAD ON 17.12.2015 & 06.01.2016 IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED DIVERSION OF RESERVE FOREST LAND FOR IMPROVEMENT TO BANSWADA TO UPPALVAI ROAD FROM 0/0 TO 40/3 UNDER CRF SCHEME JOB NO CRF AP 2014-895 (Phase-II)

As per the request made by Executive Engineer Irrigation, Roads and Buildings Bodhan Division (Phase-II) of Nizamabad Dist, I have inspected the site of Improvement to Banswada to Uppalvai Road from 0/0 to 40/3 in Compt.No.252 & 253 of Hajipur Reserve Forest in Ibrahimpet Beat of Rampur Section of Banswada Range along with concerned Engineers and Forest officials. The user agency has requested for diversion of 3.034 ha of Forest land for improvement of the road Banswada to Uppalvai passing through Hajipur Reserve Forests in Compt. No. 252 & 253 of Ibrahimpet Beat of Rampur Section of Banswada Range.

The proposed site is a linear patch passing through the Reserve Forest. The concerned Executive Engineer, Roads and Buildings Bodhan Division have demarcated the proposed area on the ground. The Forest Range Officer, Banswada got enumerated the standing growth. In the proposed site, the total standing growth is 6725 Nos. comprising of 3876 Trees and 2849 Poles of miscellaneous species with an estimated timber volume of 178.664 cum which is to be extracted as per DET manual. There are certain species which are not fit for timber and hence will be sold as fuel wood after extraction. The main species existing in the proposed site are Teak, Palas, Palakodisa, Gumpena, Morri, Tani, Nalla Jeedi, Kanuga, Vepa, Nemalinara, Nallamaddi, Gummadi Teak, etc., The part of the proposed area is undulating and having miscellaneous growth with red soil and in some areas sandy loam soil. The density of the forest area proposed for diversion varies from 0.4 to 0.6 in different patches.

The wild life present in the surrounding forest areas as informed by the local staff are Bear, Neelgai, Pea fowl, Spotted Deer, Chausingha, Fox, Wild pig etc. However no wild life was spotted at the time of field inspection. Hence, the permission for Improvement to Banswada to Uppalvai road from 0/0 to 40/3 under CRF Scheme in Ibrahimpet Beat of Rampur Section of Banswada Range is recommended with the following conditions.

- 1. The Legal status of the Reserve Forest land proposed to be diverted does not change.
- 2. No felling of trees and no cutting of branches is allowed, other than proposed list of felling trees.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The area proposed for diversion has got a sloppy terrain of variable gradients from 1 in 20 to 1 in 7, cutting of earth will leave a vertical section, leaving scope for soil erosion, which requires construction of retaining walls and check walls, wherever required to minimize the runoff velocity. Detailed estimates will be got prepared by the User Agency and the construction of retaining walls and check walls will be taken up as part of the road improvement activity as per the site specific requirement.
- 5. Removal of trees for the purpose of widening may add to the erosion factor which should also be taken care of. The User Agency shall deposit the amount as decided by the Divisional Forest Officer, Nizamabad for the Soil & Moisture conservation works to be taken in the adjoining Reserve Forest to prevent erosion of soil.
- Any other conditions imposed by Divisional Forest Officer, Nizamabad from time to time shall be followed by the User Agency.

Divisional Forest Officer,

Nizamabad.

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