FIELD INSPECTION NOTE OF THE DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, SANGAREDDY ON 08.03.2017 IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED DIVERSION OF RESERVE FOREST LAND FOR WIDENING OF SINGLE LANE CARRIAGEWAY TO DOUBLE LANE FROM KM 12/7 TO 18/450 OF ZAHEERABAD TO BHONASPUR ROAD

As per the request made by the Superintendenting Engineer, (R&B) Circle, Sangareddy, I have inspected the site which is proposed for widening the carriageway from Single lane to double lane, which is passing through the Compt. No. 382 and 383 of Malchelma – 1 & II, Reserve Forests which are presenting in Malchelma Beat of Koheer Section of Zaheerabad Range, Sangareddy District, along with concerned officials of R&B Department and Forest Department. The User Agency has requested for diversion of 3.483 ha of Forest land for widening from Single lane to double lane from 12/7 to 18/450 of Zaheerabad to Bhonaspur Road.

The proposed alignment is a linear patch passing through the Reserve Forests and the extent is 3.483 Ha. The User Agency, Superintendenting Engineer, (R&B) Sangareddy has got the area demarcated on the ground.

During inspection it was observed that 113 Nos standing tree growth is found within the Reserved Forest land, proposed for diversion. The predominant tree species within the alignment are enumerated and they are Chennangi, Ippa, Juvvi, Moduga, Narlinga, Tani, Tunniku and Vepa etc.,

The total forest area involved is to an extent of 3.483 Has in Sangareddy District, which is also follows.

Set. No.	Range	Area proposed for diversion (in Ha)	Name of Reserve Forest	No.of trees to be felled (in Nos)
1	Zaheerabad	3.483	Malchelma – I & II	113
	Total :	3.483		113

The wildlife present in the surrounding forest areas as informed by the local staff are Spotted Deer, Peacocks, Wild bores, Hares, Porcupine etc.

The area does not fall in wildlife protected areas and there is no archaeological heritage site, important monuments in the proposed alignment.

The area proposed for diversion is for widening of the existing single lane carriageway to double lane and there is no any other alternative alignment available, except the present proposed way. This is the barest minimum area that is required for widening of the single lane carriageway to Double lane; to improve the road facilities to the local villages.



Photographs of the proposed site for diversion of 3.483 ha of Forest land for widening from Single lane to double lane from 12/7 to 18/450 of Zaheerabad to Bhonaspur Road.



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

- 1. The Compensatory Afforestation scheme as submitted by the Forest Department.
- 2. The Net Present Value (NPV) of Rs.21.820 Lakhs shall be paid by the User Agency.
- 3. The extraction charges of the timber / fuel Rs. 0.52 Lakhs as estimated shall be borne by the User Agency.

The District Collector, Sangareddy 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 Rights Act has been completed in the District and there are no claims pending in the above said Reserve Forest areas.

The forest area proposed for diversion is below 5.00 Ha and since there are 113 trees existing in 3.483 Ha., there is no requirement of Compensatory Afforestation land in non-forest area, as per the instructions issued by the PCCF, TS, Hyd Rc. No.19481/2016/FCA-2, Dated.14.02.2017.

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Hence, the proposals for diversion of 3.483 ha of Forest land for widening from Single lane carriageway to double lane from 12/7 to 18/450 of Zaheerabad to Bhonaspur Road, which is passing through the Compt. No. 382 and 383 of Malchelma – I & II, Reserve Forests in Malchelma Beat of Koheer Section of Zaheerabad Range, Sangareddy District, are recommended with the following conditions.

- 1. 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 and also construct boundary pillars separating the proposed area for diversion at every 20 mts interval.

Any other conditions imposed by District Forest Officer, Sangareddy from time to time shall be followed by the User Agency.

The Proposals for diversion of 3.483 ha of Forest land for widening from Single lane carriageway to double lane from 12/7 to 18/450 of Zaheerabad to Bhonaspur Road are recommended.

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