FIELD INSPECTION NOTES OF SRI K.MOHAN RAO, M.Sc., DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, GUNTUR.

Range: Vinukonda (T)

RF: Bollapalli

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I have inspected the proposed forest land for renewal of mining lease in f/o.Sri.T S Mallikharjuna Rao, Guntur for the extraction slate stone over an extent of 3.56 Ha (2.43 Ha Quarry + 0.66 Ha road + 0.47 Ha for safety zone) in Bollapalli RF, Ravulapuram beat, Bollapalli section, Vinukonda Range of Forest Division Guntur.

Initially an Extent of 3.61 Ha (2.94 mining + 0.670 approach road) of Forest Land was diverted in favour of .Sri T S Mallikharjuna Rao for extraction of slate stone vide GOI MoEF, Bangalore Letter No. F©A/11.2/116/Ap/MIN/1777, dt: 01.12.2003 communicated vide G.O.Ms.No.112, EFS&T (For-I) Dept., dt.20.12.2003 for a period of 10years and expires on 30.11.2003. This is a renewal of mining lease issue, more over the area involves 3.56 Ha (2.43 Ha Quarry + 0.66 Ha road + 0.47 Ha for safety zone). As verified from the proposal the User Agency also included the Safety Zone Area in the renewal proposal.

Classification

The type of forest in the adjoining area is dry scrub forests (6A/C2) (as per the Champion Seth) and the crown density of proposed land for renewal is 0.2. The area in question is not prone for erosion.

Status of reclamation

The reclamation of the quarried portion has not been taken up by the User agency. The quarry area diverted is a hillock and about 42% of the hillock has been worked and brought to ground level of the surrounding area and the reclamation of the half worked area will be affected for carrying out quarrying operations if the area is permitted in the renewal. Hence at this stage the reclamation may be considered to be deferred. They are insisted to undertake to complete the reclamation as and when the quarrying is completed in a specific area.

Flora and Fauna

No endangered flora and fauna species found in the area except the following species detailed below.

Flora

Sarkar tumma - Prosophis juliflora
Nerlangi - Albizia Amara
Gotti - Zizyphus xyiopyrus
Neem - Azadirachta indica
Jana - Gwia tillifolia
Regu - Zizyphus Jujuba

Fauna

No fauna is found in and around the area proposed for renewal.

Remarks

There is no archaeological heritage sites, defense establishments or important monuments in the area proposed for diversion. It is also not forms a part of ecosensitive zone, wild life sanctuary, Bio-Reserve.

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