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**Field Inspection notes of Sri T. Chakrapani, M.Sc., Ed., Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor West Division, Chittoor on Road area applied by Executive Engineer, R & B, N.H.Division, Chittoor on 16.02.2017.**

Inspected the proposed Road widening area applied by Executive Engineer, R & B, N.H.Division, Chittoor in compt. No.333 of Nadimur-Kurmanipalle RF of Nadimur Beat on 16.02.2017 along with the Forest Range Officer, Kuppam, Dy. Range Officer, Kuppam and beat staff. This is the work proposed by the Roads and Building department N.H.Division, Chittoor connecting to Palamaner – Krishnagiri Border Road NH.42 (old-219) via V.Kota, Santhipuram, Kuppam from Km 58/600 to 140/680 in Chittoor District of State of Andhra Pradesh. The user agency stated that the total length of the road is 82.080 Kms and out of which approximately, 3.053 Km falls in Nadimur-Kurmanipalle RF (From Km. 137/657 to Km.140.680). During the inspection no violation is noticed in the applied area

As per Section.15 notification of Nadimur-Kurmanipalle RF vide GO Ms.No.764, Food & Agrl.(For-III) Dept., dt.22.05.1972, the Highways road from Kuppam to Krishnagiri within the block is admitted as right of way for a width of 66 feet or 20 M which enters the block between stations 37 & 38 runs in south-westerly direction for a distance of about 2 mile (3.219 kms). Copy of the notification is enclosed. The user agency has demarcated applied road area of 3.93 Ha (3.023 km) on both side of existing road. The terrain consists of gentle slope having main species composition of flora is *Albezzia amara*. The passes all along the foothills having small stream on other side to some length. It is noticed that there are no historical, religious, archeological or recreational sites etc., in or close to the proposed area. The area does not fall in any Wild Life Sanctuary and National Park. There will be no impact of proposed project on the flora & fauna in the adjoining forests and also ecology, especially soil erosion in and around the proposed area.

The area is already having BT road and having devoid of vegetation except sporadic occurrence of isolated trees here and there. The main tree species is *Eucalyptus*, *Azadirachta indica* (Neem), *Albezzia amara* (Chigara), *Pongamia* (Kanuga), *Kunkudu*, *Gulmohar*, *Cassia siamea* etc., The under growth consists of mainly *lantana* & other weeds and there is no Wild fauna seen. The density of vegetation is approximately below 0.1 (ocular).

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