

FIELD INSPECTION NOTES OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, NIZAMABAD ON 06.01.2016 IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED DIVERSION OF RESERVE FOREST LAND FOR PROVIDING BROAD BAND WIRELESS ACCESS (BWA) & DATA SERVICES IN THE TELANGANA STATE M/S RELIANCE JIO INFOCOMM LIMITED, 204, LAKE SHORE TOWERS, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, SOMAJIGUDA, HYDERABAD.

As per the request made by M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Somajiguda, Hyderabad Lr. No. RJIL/OFC/ROW/Intercity/TS/Hyd/Forest/NLD-P4/001, dt: 09.06.2015, I along with the Divisional Forest Officer, Nizamabad and concerned staff members have inspected the proposed forest land for trenching and laying of optical fiber cable & plantation of route indicators work at Hajipur & Maqdumpur Reserve Forests on 06.01.2016. The Reserve Forest land proposed to be diverted for the above works is falling inside the Reserve Forest of Hajipur & Maqdumpur in Compt No. 274 & 275 Nasrullabad Section of Hajipur RF and Compt No. 291, 293 & 284 of Rampur Section of Maqdumpur RF of Banswada Range of Nizamabad Division.

The proposed line passes through the Reserve Forests of Hajipur & Maqdumpur in Compt No. 274 & 275 Nasrullabad Section of Hajipur RF and 291, 293 & 284 of Rampur Section of Maqdumpur RF of Banswada Range of Nizamabad Forest Division.

The proposed alignment of the line is passing through the Reserve Forests land from one end to other end is running parallel to the existing tar road. The total length of the proposed optical fiber trench line passing through the Reserve Forest (in 2 different stretches put together) is Meters (7715.59 mts length X 0.40 mts width) and with a width of 0.40 mts. The entire length and the width of the proposed land for diversion which is proposed to be falling in Reserve Forest area are passing through Compt No. 274, 275, 284, 291 and 293. The area proposed to be diverted is $7715.95 \text{ Mts length} \times 0.40 = 0.30 \text{ Ha}$ as per the survey carried out.

The proposed Forest area to be diverted is Degraded dry deciduous forest. The species present are mostly *Tectona grandis* (Teak) and its associates along with coppice shoots of *Danthis* (*Dodonia viscosa*), *Neem* (*Azadirachta indica*), *Cissampelos fistula* (Rela), *Pala kodisa* (*Wrightia tinctoria*), *Pariki* (*Zizyphus xylopyrus*), *Moduga* (*Butea frondosa*), *Satin* (*Chloroxylon swietenia*), *Soppera* (*Dalbergia painicula*), *Ippa* (*Madhuca indica*), *Chennagi* (*Lagerstroemia parviflora*) etc.,

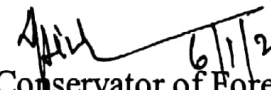
The wild life present in the surrounding forest areas as informed by the local staff are pea fowl, Monkeys, Fox, Wolves, Wild boar, Deer, Rabbit, Sloth bear etc.,

The proposed line from Varni to Nasrullabad villages is in no way causing damage to either flora or fauna of the areas nearby as it is proposed to be going through open areas along the road through the Reserve Forest and abutting the existing road.

As proposed line is passing through the open areas in the Reserve Forest at present there is no need for felling of any tree growth, hence the enumeration of trees for felling is nil as reported by the Forest Range Officer, Banswada.

Hence the permission for trenching and laying of optical fiber cable & plantation of route indicators work through Reserve Forests Hajipur & Maqdumpur are 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.
3. It is the responsibility of the User Agency to refill the trenches properly and fully so that it will not be hindrance for wild animals movement.
4. User Agency to put up two permanent boards (totally 8 boards) at the entrance and exit points of the RF about the status of the land.
5. The maintenance works including cutting of branched of any sort, if taken up in future should be done with prior intimation and permission of the Divisional Forest Officer, Nizamabad.


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