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JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATION OF THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

The alignment passes through Deemed forest Area in survey No.209 of Amble village, in Chikkamagaluru taluk of Chikkamagaluru district over an area of 1.0938 hectare (a stretch of about 155m) between Chikkamagaluru – Adihalli Railway stations. The proposed alignment is passing just side of Sai Angles school and adjacent to Siragapura minor irrigation tank. Since there is no other technically feasible locations to change the alignment, the proposed new BG line has to pass through the said deemed forest area.

In order to avoid acquisition forest land as above, all efforts have been made by Railways duly studying alternative alignment . First trial made as shown in the sketch enclosed where three irrigation tanks, one education institution (Sai Angels School) and deemed forest area are coming on the way of alignment. As an alternative, trial No.2 has been made along which one irrigation tank, forest area and a Shiva temple surrounded by residential buildings are situated as shown in the sketch enclosed. A third attempt reveals one small part of irrigation tank and little portion of deemed forest area which is more feasible when compared to the trial No.1 and 2 as elucidated above. As such the finalized alignment for which proposal for acquisition of deemed forest area has been submitted which will facilitate to avoid the obstructions of irrigation tanks, educational institution, temple and surrounding residential buildings. The present alignment is also avoid acquisition more extent of deemed forest area when compared to the above trials conducted by Railways.

It is certified that all other alternatives for selection of non-forest lands for construction of proposed BG line through forest land in Amble village of Chikkamagaluru taluk of Chikkamagaluru district (in the survey No.209) have been explored and only due to unavoidable circumstances the proposed alignment of New BG line is proposed through the forest land for bare minimum length of 155m over an area of 1.0938 hectare.

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