

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

Rc.No.5130/2018-D1,
Dated.30.04.2022.

Office of the District Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

From
Sri.I.K.V.Raju, S.F.S.,
District Forest Officer
Kakinada Division,
Kakinada.

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rajahmundry Circle,
Rajamahendravaram.

Sir,

Sub: APFD – F(C) Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of forest land in Kakinada Division for formation of **Kota to Chintalapudi** in f/o Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram – Re examination of the proposals – Inspection report called for - Reg.

- Ref: 1. PCCF (HoFF), AP, Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15034/21/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3; Dt:11-10-2018.
2. This office Rc.No.5130/2018-D1; Dt: 29-12-2018.
3. PCCF (HoFF), AP, Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15034/3/2020-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3; Dt:24-03-2021.
4. CF, RJy Rc.No.2561/2018-D1; Dt: 23-04-2021.
5. FRO, Rampachodavaram Rc.no.1004/2018; Dt: 13-11-2021.

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It is to inform that, the proposals for diversion of 6.73 ha Forest Land for formation of **Road from Kota to Chinthalapudi** passing through the Reserved Forests of Kakinada Division for in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare Division, Rampachodavaram were forwarded by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh, Guntur in the reference 1st cited, for examining and to submit the remarks and recommendations. Accordingly, the road proposals were verified on the field and the proposals were not recommended, vide reference 2nd cited.

Further, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF), AP, Guntur and Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle, Rajamahendravaram have issued instructions, vide reference 3rd & 4th cited, for re-examination of the proposals for taking further action in this regard. Accordingly, the Forest Range Officer, Rampachodavaram has submitted report vide references 5th cited.

In this connection, it is submitted that, the proposals for diversion of 6.004 Ha in reserve forests of Rampachodavaram range (2.649 ha) & Addateegala range (3.3555 ha) for formation of road from Kota to Chinthalapudi in favour of the Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram may **not be recommended** as the route is very narrow between stream and hill portion upto 2.00 km and road cannot be laid without undertaking blasting in the forests which is not permitted as per F(c) Act, 1980 and 328 number of trees to be felled for creation of this road. Further, it is submitted that, the adverse impacts in the form of damage to thick and dense vegetation of semi- evergreen forests and habitat fragmentation of the wildlife habitats as leopard, bison, sloth bear, barking deer, sambar etc., are found these areas. Hence, the proposal is **not recommended**. Copy of the reference 2nd cited is enclosed herewith for favour of kind perusal.

This is submitted for favour of kind information.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- I.K.V.Raju
District Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

Copy to the Sub-Divisional Forest Officers, Rampachodavaram & Yeleswaram for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Forest Range Officers, Rampachadavaram & Addateegala for information and necessary action. They are directed to ensure that no work in violation of F(C) Act, 1980 takes place and requested to see that the said proposed work is not commenced in anticipation of the permission.

Sd/- I.K.V.Raju
District Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

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G. Surendra 30/4/2022
Technical Officer

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Rc.No.5130/2018-D1,
Dated.29-12-2018.

Office of the Divisional Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

From
Dr.Nandani Salaria, I.F.S.,
Divisional Forest Officer
Kakinada Division,
Kakinada.

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rajahmundry Circle,
Rajamahendravaram.

Madam,

- Sub: APFD - F(C) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of forest land in Kakinada Division for formation of roads in f/o Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram - Processing of hard copy of the proposals - Instructions issued - Reg.
- Ref:1.PCCF (HoFF), AP,Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15034/21/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3; Dt:11-10-2018.
2.This office Rc.No.5130/2018-D1; Dt: 15-10-2018.
3.EE, TWD, RCVM Rc.No.
4.This office Rc.No.5130/2018-D1; Dt: 02-11-2018.
5.FRO, RC varam Rc.No.1004/2018; Dt: -12-2018.
6.FRO, Addateegala Rc.No.156/2012(i), dt.28.12.2018

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It is submitted that, the proposals for diversion of 6.73 ha Forest Land for Laying of WBM Road from Kota to Chintalapudi passing through the Reserved Forests of Kakinada Division for in favour of the Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram were forwarded by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh, Guntur in the reference 1st cited, for examining and to submit the remarks and recommendations.

Further, I submit that, the proposals were forwarded vide reference 4th cited to the Forest Range Officer, Rampachodavaram & Addateegala for field verification duly obtaining the hard copies from the user agencies vide reference 3rd cited. Accordingly, the Sub-Divisional Forest Officers, Rampachodavaram & Yeleswaram and the Forest Range Officers, Rampachodavaram and Addateegala have submitted reports vide references 5th & 6th cited and the details are as follows.

Further, the Site inspection was conducted on 26-12-2018 by me along with concerned staff. As per my field inspection and inspection reports of the concerned staff and as per the proposals submitted by the user agency the following are the observations.

The proposed area is passing through the Rampachodavaram Range (2.649 ha) and Addateegala Range (3.3555) i.e., total area in Kakinada division is 6.004 ha.

I. Rampachodavaram Range:

1. There is an existing gravel road from **Kota to Chintalapudi** with a width of **7.50** mtrs over distance of **3532** mtrs in Chintalapudi enclosure of **Rampachodavaram** Range. Balance area i.e., Comp.no.239, 240 & 243 of Kota RF of **Addathegala** Range.
2. The user agency submitted proposals for providing road over a length of 3532 mtrs and 7.50 mtrs width.
3. The location map showing the existing road and showing the area required for the road are submitted for kind perusal.

4. No tree growth clearance is required for laying of the road as this is an existing road.

Sl.No	Comp.no	Name of the RF	Length (Mtrs)	Width (Mtrs)	Area required in Ha
1	Enclosure	Chintalapudi Enclosure	3532	7.50	2.649
		Total			2.649

The road facilitates the transportation of food grains and other daily commodities and to avail the medical and educational facilities for the Interior tribal villages to the Mandal headquarters, Y. Ramavaram and Sub-Divisional head quarters.

II. Addateegala Range:

The road starts at N.17.62219 ° E 81.86690 ° & ends at N.17.63671° E.81.83955°. The Road is proposed through Kota RF. Total length proposed is 4.474 KM to a width of 7.50 mtrs. Thus the total area required is 3.3555 ha. The main vegetation consists of Konda thangedu (*Xylia xylocarpa*), Nallamaddi (*Terminalia tomentosa*), Gumpena (*Lannea coromandelica*) Nallagatha (*Diospyros sylvatica*), Kondagogu (*Cochlospermum religiosum*).

Area Details are as follows.

Sl.No	Comp.no	Name of the RF	Length (Mtrs)	Width (Mtrs)	Area required in Ha
1	240,239 & 243	Kota RF	4474	7.50	3.3555
		Total			3.3555

The proposed road from Kota to Chintalapudi in East Godavari District is to a length of 4.474 km is falling in Comp.No.240, 239 and 243 of Kota RF and the Density of vegetation is 0.8. The proposed road starting with N.17.62219 ° E 81.86690 ° & ends at N.17.63671° E.81.83955°. The Misc Trees 328 Nos has to be removed at both sides of road (132.04 cmt) and the value of trees is Rs.20,45,578/- and the sand gravel to be dug up for laying is 10992 cum @ Rs.550/- per cum and the value of sand gravel is Rs.60,45,600/- (Statement is enclosed).

The proposed BT surface to the road from Kota to Chintalapudi in East Godavari District will have adverse impacts in the form of damage to thick and dense vegetation of semi- evergreen forests and habitat fragmentation of the wildlife habitats as leopard, bison, sloth bear, barking deer, sambar etc., are found these areas.

Total Area details in Kakinada Division:

Sl.No	Range	Name of the RF	Length (Mtrs)	Width (Mtrs)	Area required in Ha
1	RC Varam	Chintalapudi Enclosure	3532	7.50	2.649
2	Addateegala	Kota RF	4474	7.50	3.3555
		Total	8006		6.004

Hence, the user agency for diversion of 6.004 Ha in reserve forests of Rampachodavaram range (2.649 ha) & Addateegala range (3.3555 ha) for formation of road from Kota to Chinthalapudi in favour of the Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram may **not recommended** as the route is very narrow between stream and hill portion upto 2.00 km and road cannot be laid without undertaking blasting in the forests which is not permitted as per F(c) Act, 1980 and 328 number of trees to be felled for creation of this road. Further it is submitted that the adverse impacts in the form of damage to thick and dense vegetation of semi- evergreen forests and habitat fragmentation of the wildlife habitats as leopard, bison, sloth bear, barking deer, sambar etc., are found these areas.

This is submitted for favour of information.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- Nandani Salaria
Divisional Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

Copy to the Distirct Collector, East Godavari District, Kakinada for favour of kind information.

Copy to the Project officer, ITDA, Rampachodavaram for favour of kind information.

Copy to the Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Rampachodavaram & Yeleswaram for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Forest Range Officer, Rampachodavaram & Addateegala for information and necessary action. He is directed to ensure that no work inviolation of F(C) Act,1980 takes place. He is requested to see that the said proposed work is not commenced in anticipation of the permission.

Copy to the the Executive Engineer, TW Division, Rampachodavaram for information and necessary action.

Sd/- Nandani Salaria
Divisional Forest Officer,
Kakinada Division, Kakinada.

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G. Surekha 29/12/2018.
Technical Officer