

Karnataka Forest Department

File No. B2/GFL/FC/Road/K.A/0.7137/2024-25.

Office of the  
Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Bagalkot Division, Bagalkot  
Date: 8/04/2026

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests  
Belagavi Circle, Belagavi.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 0.7188 (Revised from 0.7137 Ha) of Forest land in Hoolageri Village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkote District for construction of Approach Road to Kartik Agro Industries Pvt.Ltd, Hoolageri village, Taluk: Badami Dist: Bagalkot (Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/144076/2021).

- Ref:
- 1) Office Letter No: 4-KRB 1446/2023-BAN/ Dated: 18-11-2024 of the Regional Office (South Zone), Bengaluru, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.
  - 2) Letter No: FEE 107 FLL 2022 Dated: 22-11-2024 of the Government of Karnataka.
  - 3) Letter No: KFD/HoFF/A5-2(GFL)/31/2021-FC Dated: 30-11-2024 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (VSESA), Bengaluru.
  - 4) Your Office Letter No: A7/LND/FC/Road/CR-2022-23/24-25/2252 Dated: 12-12-2024.
  - 5) This Office Letter of the same number Dated: 31-12-2024 and 27-01-2025.
  - 6) Letter No: RFO/Badami/Road/Proposal/2024-25/474 Dated: 06-03-2025 of the Range Forest Officer, Badami (Through the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bagalkot Sub-Division).

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With reference to the above subject, M/s Karthik Agro Industries, Hoolageri, Taluk: Badami, has submitted a proposal seeking permission to use existing soil road passing through the forest land.

The Hon'ble Central Government, vide reference cited at (1) above (1), has directed that in such cases a thorough verification to be done to determine whether the existing soil road at the site was constructed prior or after the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980. Furthermore, if it was constructed after 1980, it must be verified whether the necessary approvals were obtained or not.

Hence, under reference cited at (5), above the Range Forest Officer, Badami, has been instructed to inspect the matter and submit a detailed report through ACF Bagalkot.

The Range Forest Officer, Badami, has submitted his report to this office through the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bagalkot Sub-division, Bagalkot, vide reference cited at (6) above.


The DRFO Kerur Section and the Beat Forester enquires the local senior citizens of Kerur village who were born in the years 1954, 1964, and 1969. During Enquiry, it was revealed that



farmers of Kerakalmatti village were using the said soil road occasionally since 2005, specifically during sowing and harvesting seasons. The same road is also being used by Karthik Agro Industry. From this it was confirmed that this road was not constructed prior to 1980. A 'Panchanama' (verification report) has been prepared in the presence of witnesses, and a copy of the same has been submitted by the Range Forest Officer, Badami, through the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bagalkot Sub-division vide letters cited at (6) above.

From above, it has been clear that the said soil road passing through the forest area has not been cleared under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980, or any other relevant forest acts. Therefore it is respectfully requested to consider proposal number FP/KA/ROAD/144076/2021 submitted by user agency via Parivesh portal under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980.

Your Faithfully

  
Deputy Conservator of Forest  
Bagalkot Division, Bagalkot.