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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ

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Office of  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)



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E-office File No. KFD/HoFF/A5-4(GFL)/29/2019-FC

Date 11-03-2020

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government  
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department  
M.S. Building, Bengaluru-560 001

Sir,

**Sub:** Diversion of 0.9215 hectare of forest land in various survey numbers of Chikkalingadadhalli, Yakathapur, Chindanur, Shadipur, Lachamsagara, Lingannagar, Anthawaram, Mumbapur and Venktapur Villages, Kasaba Hobli, Chincholi Taluk, Kalburgi District for laying of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) under Central Government National Optic Fibre Cable (OFC) under Central Government National Optic Fibre Network (NOFN) Project (Digital India) for providing Broadband Connections and other Telecom facilities in favour of Divisional Engineer, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited Kalburgi

**Proposal No. FP/KA/Others/25957/2017**

- Ref:**
1. This office letter of even number dated 18-06-2019 [Stage-I proposal] and 31-10-2019 [communication of GOK EDS Query to User Agency and Field officers]
  2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 04 FLL 2019 dated 19-08-2019 to this office [EDS Query dated 20-08-2019]
  3. Divisional Engineer, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, OFC Installation & Maintenance, Kalburgi letter No. DE-OFC-forest permission/GGA/2019-20 dated 27-01-2020 [reply to EDS Query]
  4. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kalaburgi Division on 24-02-2020 to CCF, Kalburgi Letter No. Survey/Chi.WL/FC/OFC/BSNL/Kal/CR-/2018-19/ dated 24-02-2020 [reply to EDS Query]
  5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Kalaburgi Circle letter No.

With regard to the proposal submitted by this office vide Ref (1) letter dated 18-06-2019 seeking Stage-I proposal under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the Government of Karnataka vide Ref (2) has raised EDS query seeking certain additional information. The same was forwarded by this office vide Ref (1) letter 31-10-2019 to you for further action.

In response, the User Agency vide Ref (3) has submitted the reply to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kalburgi Division, who vide Ref (4) has submitted the same to you, who in turn vide Ref (4) has submitted the reply to this office.

Based on the information received from field officers, the reply to the queries raised by the Government of Karnataka is furnished as given below.

Government of Karnataka query		Reply
1	Justification for forest diversion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The User Agency vide Ref (3) letter dated 27-01-2020 has submitted a detailed note along with a map showing the alternative alignment examined by it through field officers. Copy is enclosed.</li><li>• The alternate route marked by User Agency as Route-2 (<i>shown in blue colour on the map</i>), even though shorter than the presently propose alignment does not cater to three Gram Panchayats, viz., Shadipura, Kunchavaram and Venkatapur and thus there is no alternate route to cater Digital services to these three Gram Panchayats.</li><li>• The User Agency has uploaded this letter in Additional Information Details in PART-I of the proposal on FC web portal and has also submitted the hard copy of the same through field officers.</li></ul>
2	Alternate alignments examined by User Agency	<p><b>It is therefore, concluded that there are no alternatives to cater to all Gram Panchayats and laying of OFC being proposed along the existing road in this forest area may be considered for diversion of forest land in</b></p>

		<b>instant proposal.</b>
3	Proposal to be submitted to the State Government for seeking clarification from Government of India regarding requirement on Compensatory Afforestation land in proposals involving diversion of up to one hectare of forest land	This office vide E-office File No. KFD/HOFF/A5-4(GFL)/18/2019-FC ( <b>E-78217</b> ) dated 01-01-2020 has already submitted a proposal to the State Government in this regard.

**It is therefore, requested to move to Government of India for seeking Stage-I clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.**

Yours Faithfully



(Punati Sridhar IFS)

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)

O/C

**Copy to the:**

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Kalburgi Circle, Kalburgi for information.
2. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kalburgi Division, Kalburgi for information.
3. Divisional Engineer, Optical Fiber Cable, P&T Quarters, Remote Station Unit, Jewargi Road, Kalburgi-585 102 for information and with a request to submit the copy of Wildlife Clearance for the above proposal to the Government of India, Government of Karnataka and to this office for record.

RS  
ರವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ  
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17-3-2020





ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ  
(ಅರಣ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆ)

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಸರ್ವೆ/ಚಿ.ವಜೀ/ಎಫ್‌ಸಿ/ಒಎಫ್‌ಸಿ/ಬಿಎಸ್‌ಎನ್‌ಎಲ್/ಕಲ/ಸಿಆರ್- /2018-19

ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿ  
ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಲಬುರಗಿ  
ದಿನಾಂಕ:24.02.2020.

ಇವರಿಗೆ,

ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು,  
ಕಲಬುರಗಿ ವೃತ್ತ,  
ಕಲಬುರಗಿ

ಮಾನ್ಯರೇ,

ವಿಷಯ: Diversion of 0.9215 ha. of forest land in various survey numbers of Chikkalindadhalli, Yakathapur, Chindanur, Shadipur, Lachamsagara, Lingannagar, Anthawaram, Mumbapur and Venktapur villages, Kasaba Hobli, Chincholi Taluk, Kalaburagi District for laying of Optical Fiber Cable(OFC) under Central Government National Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) under Central Government National Optical Fiber Network(NOFN) Project (Digital India) for providing Broadband Connections and other Telecom facilities in favour of Divisional Engineer Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited Kalaburagi. Proposal No.FP/KA/Others/25957/2017.

- ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: 1) Online Application No.FP/KA/Others/25957/2017(OFC)  
2) ತಮ್ಮ ಕಚೇರಿ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಎ4/ಮುಅಸಂ/ಅಭೂ/ಬಿ/ಚಿಂಚೋಳಿ/ಸಿಆರ್-18/2018-19/897 ದಿನಾಂಕ:19.11.2019.  
3) Division Engineer, OFC Installation & Maint, P & T Qutrs, RSU, Gulbarga ಇವರ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: DE-OFC-Forest Permission/GGA/2019-20 Dated:27.01.2020.

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ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ, ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ (1)ರನ್ವಯ ತಾಂಡೂರ ದಿಂದ ಕೊಂಚಾವರಂವರೆಗೆ ಒಎಫ್‌ಸಿ ಅಳವಡಿಸುವ ಸಂಬಂಧವಾಗಿ ಚಿಂಚೋಳಿ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ವಿವಿಧ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾದುಹೋಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ, ಅರಣ್ಯ ಭೂಮಿ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆಗಾಗಿ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಫಾರಂ-ಎ ಪಾರ್ಟ್-1ರ ಅನ್ವಯ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಲಾದ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುವ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಯನ್ನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಈ ಕಚೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಮೇಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಮುಂದುವರೆದು ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ (2)ರನ್ವಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಅಪಜೀ-04/ಎಫ್‌ಎಲ್‌ಎಲ್-2019 ದಿನಾಂಕ 19.08.2019 (EDS Query raised on 20.08.2019 in the web portal) ರನ್ವಯ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸುವಂತೆ ಕೋರಿರುವಂತೆ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ(3)ರಲ್ಲಿ ಉಪಯೋಗಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯವರು Queryಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

1. ಉಪಯೋಗಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯು ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪಿತ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಅಗತ್ಯತೆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಮರ್ಥನೀಯ ಕಾರಣವನ್ನು ನೀಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.
2. ಟೋಪೋಗ್ರಾಫಿಕ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ (1:50,000) ಅಳತೆಯ ನಕ್ಷೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗುರುತು ಮಾಡಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಮೇಲೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುವಂತೆ ಸದರಿ ಪತ್ರ ಹಾಗೂ ನಕ್ಷೆಯ 5 ಸೆಟ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ತಮ್ಮ ದಯಾಪರ ಅವಹಾಳನಾಗಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಮುಂದಿನ ಕ್ರಮಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ತಮ್ಮ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ,

ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು,  
ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಲಬುರಗಿ.

1. ಪ್ರತಿಯನ್ನು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಪರ ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು (ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ), ಅರಣ್ಯ ಭವನ, ಮಲ್ಲೇಶ್ವರಂ 18ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರುರವರ ದಯಾಪರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.
2. ಪ್ರತಿಯನ್ನು Division Engineer, OFC Installation & Maint, P & T Qutrs, RSU, Gulbarga ಇವರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ರವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FORESTS  
Territorial Division, Kalaburagi.



मंडल अभियंत/Divisional Engineer,  
प्र का शीत तंतु केबल इन्स्टालेशन & अनुरक्षण  
OFC Installation & Maint, P&T Qtrs RSU,  
गुलबर्गा - ५८५१०१ Gulbarga- 585102.



भारत संचार निगम लिमिटेड  
(भारत सरकार का उपक्रम)  
**BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED**  
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

स/No: DE-OFC/Forest Permission/GGA/2019-20

dated at Gulbarga the 27-01-2020

To,

The Deputy Conservator of Forest,  
Territorial Division,  
Kalaburagi – 585 101.

**Sub:** Forest clearance to lay Optical Fiber Cable in the Reserved Forest area for BharatNet connections – reg.

Ref: Sy/Chn.W.L/FC/OFC/BSNL/KLB/CR-09/2019-19/1146 dtd 26.11.2019.

This is with reference to the captioned subject and the letters referred above. Request for permission to lay Optical Fiber Cable passing through reserved forest area has been sent to your office seeking your permission to approve the route for providing FTTH connections to Gram Panchayats.

BharatNet Karnataka is the project under Digital India program where the aim is to make the villagers feel the advantages of internet access. In the wake of this, in coordination with State Govt. Karnataka, BharatNet (BBNL) Karnataka has identified 6085 Gram Panchayats in Karnataka and already 6078 GPs are working. The work for 3 Gram Panchayats namely Shadipura, Kunchavaram and Venktapur in Chincholi Block of District Gulbarga are pending due to Right of Way (RoW) Forest permission.

The route identified for laying cable from Chincholi to these three gram panchayat locations passes through RF area of Chincholi, Shadipura, Chindanur, Lachhmasagar and Ventkapura.

**Para-1:**

BharatNet is a Turn Key project and is supposed to be completed in the time bound period. The issue of permission for RoW through these RF areas is being pursued since long. As the project needs to be completed by March 2020 as per the target set by PMO, Govt. Of India, under Digital India program

This stretch of Chincholi to Ventapura is of 37.1 KMs, of which RF area is 18.431 KMs in various stretches.

1. Shadipura Gram Panchyat has a population of 4566 people ,
2. Kunchavaram Gram Panchyat has a population of 3642 people
3. Venktapur Gram Panchyat has a population of 5600 people.

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Thus the provision of services to these Gram Panchayats will help more than 13000 villagers, to avail Digital service facilities under BapujiSeva Kendra.

**Para-2:**

This route is selected specifically, as there is no alternate route to cater services to these 3 GPs.

**Route-1:** Marked in the diagram in pink colour is the proposed route for laying OF Cable from Chincholi to Venktapura through Shadipur and Kunchavaram. This route caters for 3 GPS & hence it is selected.

**Route-2:** The other route marked in Blue colour as route-2, also passes through the stretches of Chincholi RF, Dharmasagar RF etc. and will cater for only one GP & therefore the route is not considered.

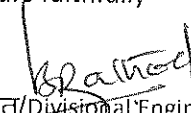
There is no other alternate route to cover all these 3 GPs without passing through Forest area, which is evident from the drawing enclosed.

Timely permission from your office is of utmost necessity as the OF laying work of more than 38 KMs is to be completed with GPON equipment installation.

The copy of the map showing the route-1 in pink colour as the proposed route and the Route-2 shown in ink blue ink, which is existing in the area but not feasible from point of locations of Gram Panchayats is enclosed for information.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

  
मंडल अभियंत/Divisional Engineer,  
प्र का शीत तंतु केबल इन्स्टालेशन & अनुरक्षण  
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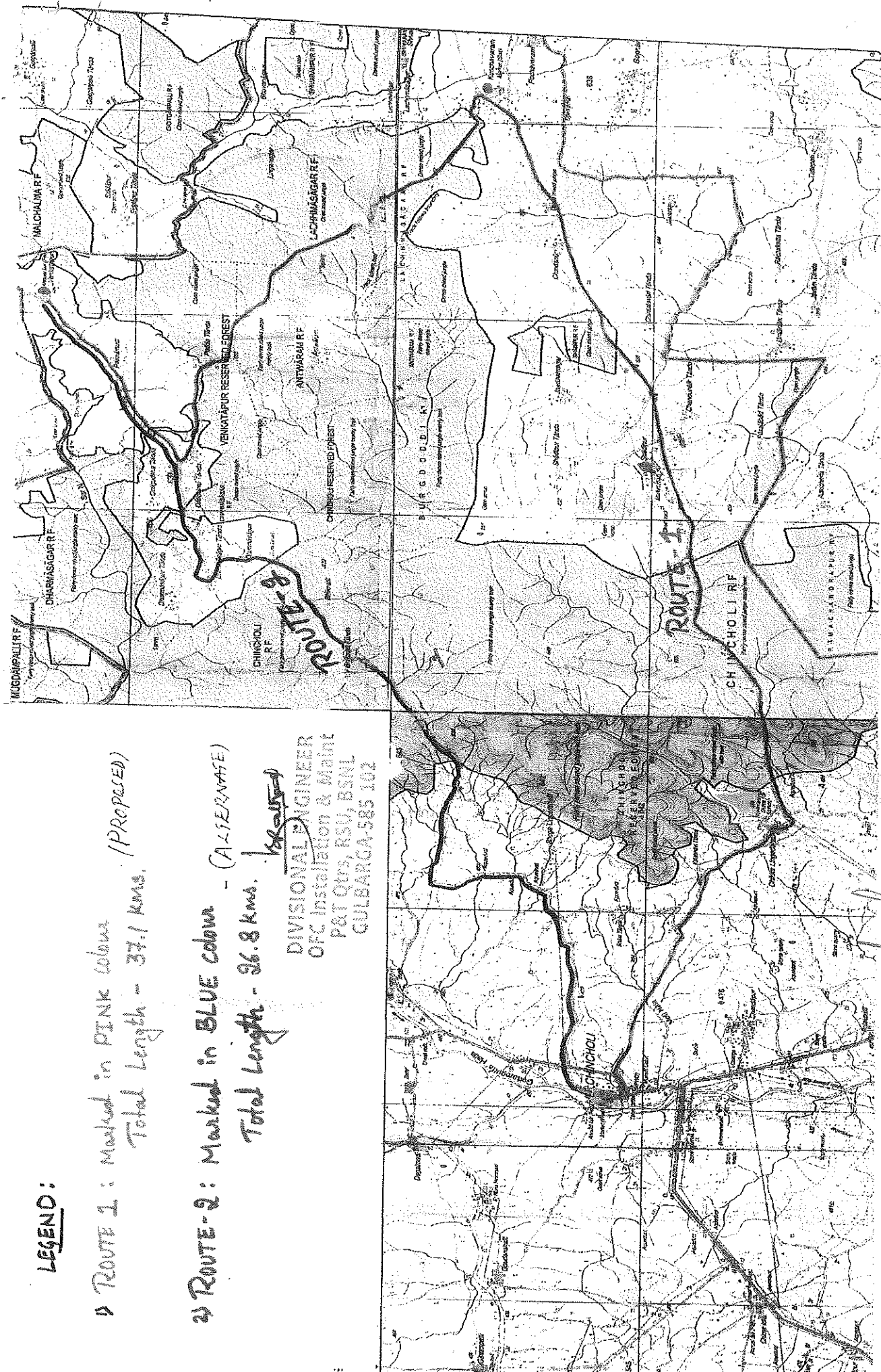
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# LEGEND:

1) ROUTE 1: Marked in PINK colour (PROPOSED)  
Total Length - 37.1 KMS.

2) ROUTE-2: Marked in BLUE colour - (ALTERNATE)  
Total Length - 26.8 KMS.

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