

Proceedings of the Hearing conducted on 10.03.2023 at 10.30 a.m. in connection with objections filed by Land Owners / Power of Attorney / representatives of areas provisionally identified as Private Forests by North Goa (Thomas) & South Goa (Araujo) Committee in Loutlim Village of Salcete Taluka.

The following members/representatives were present: -

1. Shri Praveen Kumar Raghaw, IFS

Chief Conservator of Forests & Chairman of Review Committee.

2. Shri Naveen Kumar P, IFS

Dy. Conservator of Forests (WP) & Member Secretary, Review Committee.

3. Shri. Shrinet Kotvarkar,

Additional Collector, South Goa District.

4. Kum.Vrushika Kauthankar

Representative of Additional Collector, North Goa District.

5. Shri Sandeep Fal Dessai,

Representative of the Director of Agriculture

6. Shri D. M. Kudalkar

Assistant Conservator of Forests (South), Member.

7. Smt. Pratima Kavlekar,

Representative of the Director of Settlement and Land Record Panaji Goa.

Following were in attendance

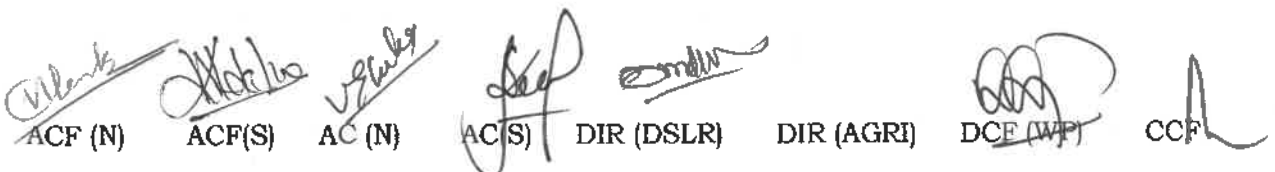
1. Shri Dilesh A. Gauns Desai, Chief Forest Surveyor, (WP)

2. Shri Mahanand Paryekar, Mobile Squad Margao

3. Shri Nilesh C. Dessai, Forest Surveyor

4. Shri Purshottam H. Prabhu Gaonkar, Field Surveyor

5. Shri Akshay V. Borkar, Field Surveyor


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Objection from the villagers of Loutulim Village of Salcete were heard individually. The Member Secretary informed the Review Committee that the notice for hearing on 10/03/2023 was served to each objector through post, special messenger and also through telephone calls and messages.

The Member Secretary informed that public hearing scheduled for the day is being conducted for the areas qualifying as private forests based on three criteria of approved methodology. ie., Survey numbers qualified for area and canopy density criteria as per Forest Cover Map provided by Forest Survey of India were subjected to field enumeration by sub-Committee, on submission of plan and enumeration report by the sub-committee, after which now it is placed before the Review Committee for public hearing on 10/03/2023.

The area qualified as private forest after field enumeration were verified in presence of the objectors. Copies of the field verification report were sent to all the members before the hearing for verification. Field report along with copy of each such document / plan were shown to concerned objectors.

Summary of hearing is as under:

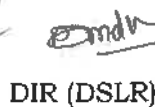
Sr. No.	Name of the person	Area	Objections query/ statements of the Owners/objectors	Observations/ comments of review committee
1.	Mr. Miguel Fernandes	Survey No 44 Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests.	Survey Number 44 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and requested for to verify the area once again in survey number 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.

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				Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee and directed the subcommittee to verify the area in presence of the owners/ objectors on 20/03/2023 and to submit the report in a week time.
2.	Mrs. Fatima Nazareth	Survey No 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests. Further on verification of the plan during the meeting, she confirmed that her plot doesn't fall in forest patch in the plan submitted by subcommittee.	Survey Number 44 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet with no objection, as her plot falls in the northern part of identified Private Forest area in Sy no 44 of Loutulim Village, Salcete Taluka.
3.	Mr. Vicente Barneto	Survey No 43 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests in Sy. No 43.	Survey Number 43 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. Field enumeration report of subcommittee was scrutinised in presence of Objector by the committee where it is seen that the sy.

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4.	<p>Confraria De S. Sebastiao E.S Bento Da capela De Orgao</p>	<p>Survey No 30 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.</p>	<p>Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests.</p>	<p>Survey Number 30 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee.</p> <p>The objector has signed the attendance sheet with no objection in notifying part of survey number 30 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka as private forest.</p> <p>Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee.</p>
5.	<p>Mr. Pedro Inacio Avelino Colaco</p>	<p>Survey No 44 of Loutulim Village</p>	<p>Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests.</p>	<p>Survey Number 44 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally</p>

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		Salcete Taluka.		identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet with no objection as his area at Sy.no. 44 is not an identified part of private forest in survey number 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.
6.	Efy Oliveria E Fernandes	Survey No 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forest.	Survey Number 44 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and requested for verification of area in presence of her at survey number 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka. Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee and directed the subcommittee for verification in presence of the owners/ objectors on 20/03/2023 and to submit the report in a week time.

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7.	Milagres Pacheco	Survey No 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests.	Survey Number 44 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet with no objection for private forest in survey number 44 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka. Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee.
8.	Allan s.f.feileiro class I Marine engineer. (uk) AMIE (India),ch. eng. (India)	Survey No 43 of Loutulim Village Salcete Taluka.	Objected saying that the area does not qualify as private forests, as it is his ancestral property, which was cultivated for many years. Now his Sy no:43/3 has converted into forest be Forest department.	Survey Number 43 of Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka is provisionally identified as Private Forest by Araujo Committee. Field enumeration report of subcommittee was scrutinised in presence of Objector by the committee where it is seen that the Sy. No 43 qualifies the species composition criteria as well area and Canopy density criteria. The objector has signed the attendance sheet with

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				objection for notifying his Sy. No 43 as private forest. Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee.
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The Review Committee emphasized that the field verification is to be conducted in presence of the land owners or their representatives so as to avoid resurveys and unnecessary delays in disposing the cases.

The Subcommittees were directed to take all necessary actions to inform the objectors/owners of the lands/ representatives about the field verification and conduct the field verification in the presence of the land owners/representatives. Photographs and signatures of the land owners/ representatives shall be invariably taken during the field verification and submitted along with the field verification report hereafter.

The Review Committee accordingly decided the following-

1. Mrs. Cecilia Fernandes of survey number 44 Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka were not present for hearing Review Committee decided to call her in next hearing.
2. Mrs. Gema Mendonca Dos Reis of survey number 25 Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka was not present for hearing by Review Committee, however she has sent an email with objection to the enumeration done by the Subcommittee and notifying the survey number as private forest, whereas the committee decided to reply to the objection as an opportunity to hear her objection and to decide the matter in the next Review committee meeting.
3. Mr. Miguel Caetano Vaz of survey number 25 Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka was not present for hearing, The Review Committee decided to call him during next hearing.

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4. Mr Anthony Pinheiro of survey number 25 Loutulim Village of Salcete Taluka was not present for hearing, The Review Committee decided to call him during next hearing.
5. In view of objections raised by owners, it was decided that the concerned Sub Committee will revisit the survey number 44 of Loutulim Village, Salcete Taluka to conduct verification in the presence of objectors/land owners on scheduled date and submit its report along with the photographs of joint verification immediately, the review Committee has also decided to give additional sample points in survey number 24, 25, 28, 44 Village of Salcete Taluka.

Copies of photographs and attendance sheet of the Public Hearing are enclosed as a part of the hearing proceedings.

The public hearing ended with vote of thanks to chair.



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Rep of Director of Agriculture
Member



Rep. of Director of Settlement & Land Record
Member

Rep of Additional Collector
North (Revenue), Member



Additional Collector
South (Revenue), Member



Dy. Conservator of Forests
(Working Plan) Member Secretary



Chief Conservator of Forests
Chairman



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Copy to: -

1. Deputy Conservator of Forests (North /South) for information and necessary action.
2. Deputy Conservator of Forests (Headquarter) for information.
3. Member Secretary (Sub-Committees) for information and necessary action as directed by the review committee.

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