

Proceedings of the Hearing conducted on 13.10.2023 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) in Priol and Cuncollem Village of Ponda 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. Smt. Sharmila Gaunkar
Representative of Additional Collector, South Goa District.
4. Shri Sujay Shirodkar,
Representative of the Director of Agriculture
5. Smt. Pratima Kavlekar,
Representative of the Director of Settlement and Land Record, Panaji, Goa.
6. Shri Vishwas Chodankar
Assistant Conservator of Forests (North), Member.
7. Shri D. M. Kudalkar,
Assistant Conservator of Forests (South), Member.

Following were in attendance

1. Shri Jose Colaco, Assistant Conservator of Forests, (WP)
2. Shri. Deepak Tandel, Range Forest Officer, Ponda
3. Shri Gaurish Naik, Forest Surveyor (WP)
4. Shri Pravin Kurtikar, Field Surveyor, DSLR
5. Shri. Rama Dergunkar, Forest Guard, Ponda Range

Objection from the villagers of Priol and Cuncollem Village of Ponda Taluka were heard individually. The Member Secretary informed the Review Committee that the notice for hearing dated 09/10/2023 was served to each objector through post, special messenger, also through telephone calls and messages.


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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, i.e., Survey number 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. Plan and enumeration report were submitted by the sub-committee, which is now placed before the Review Committee for public hearing on 13/10/2023.

The area qualified as private forest after field enumeration were verified in presence of the objectors. Field report along with copy of each such document / plan were shown to concerned objectors during hearing.

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. Jitendra Janardhan Shinkre has represented alongwith advocatc Smt. Manisha S. Gaude	Survey No. 36/0, 37/0 and 38/0 of Cuncolliem Village of Ponda Taluka	Objector stated that survey number 36, 37 and 38 are not identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.	It was informed by the committer that Survey Number 36 and 37 of Cuncolliem village of Ponda Taluka were identified as Private Forest by Thomas Committee, while sy.no. 38 was not identified by Thomas Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and accepted the findings of the Review Committee in Survey no. 36 and 37 of Cuncolliem Village of Ponda Taluka.

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2.	Mr. Naresh Gaude, Veling - Priol- Cuncolem Nagrik Kruti Samiti	Survey No 36, 37, 38 and 39 of Cuncolem Village of Ponda Taluka.	Objector informed that he is not owner he wants the survey number 36, 37, 38 and 39 to be notified as private forest. He also informed that he is in process of filing case in National Green Tribunal for the same.	As the objector is not the owner / occupant of the land, he was not heard. But the chairman informed that as per the outcome of the NGT case, his case would be considered. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
3.	Mr. Naresh Gaude, Veling - Priol- Cuncolem Nagrik Kruti Samiti	Survey No 48/2, 49/2 and 50/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka.		As the objector is not the owner / occupant of the land, he was not heard. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.


 
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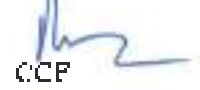
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4.	Our lady of Piety Church	Survey No 50/1 of Priol village of Ponda Taluka.	Objector was not present for hearing.	As the objector was informed telephonically, communicated through register postal letter, committee felt that adequate opportunity has been given to the objector to get him heard and there is as such no need to call the objector again considering the timeline of Hon'ble NGT. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
5.	Mr Sheraton T. Braganca, represented by Mr. Alexander S. Braganca.	Survey Number 49/2 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka	Has no objection, as the property is falling outside the qualifying area as private forests.	Survey Number 49/2 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka has been identified as Private Forest by Thomas Committee. The objector has sign the attendance sheet and has accepted the findings of Review committee in survey number 49/2 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka.


 
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6.	Alexander S. Braganca.	Survey Number 50/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka	Has no objection, as the property is falling outside the qualifying area as private forests.	Survey Number 50/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka has been identified as Private Forest by Thomas Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and accepted the findings of the Review Committee in survey number 50/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
7.	Mr Simao Eduardo D Costa	Survey Number 49/2-B of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka	Has no objection, as the property is falling outside the qualifying area as private forests.	Survey Number 49/2-B of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka has been identified as Private Forest by Thomas Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and accepted the findings of the Review Committee in survey number 49/2-B

 
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				of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
8.	Mrs. Priscilla J Dacosta represented by Mr. Simao Eduardo D Costa	Survey Number 50/1 & 51/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka	Has no objection, as the property is falling outside the qualifying area as private forests.	Survey Number 50/1 & 51/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka has been identified as Private Forest by Thomas Committee. The objector has signed the attendance sheet and accepted the findings of the Review Committee in survey number 50/1 & 51/1 of Priol Village of Ponda Taluka. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.

The Review Committee accordingly decided the following-

1. As the area is qualifying all the criteria of private forest, entire area as per the plan prepared for survey numbers 36/1(P), 36/2(P), 37/1 of Cuncolim vilage and survey numbers 48/2(P), 49/2(P), 50/1(P) of Priol vilage of Ponda Taluka, are identified as Private Forest.

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

The public hearing ended with thanks to chair.



ACF (HQ) (North)
Member



ACF (HQ) (South)
Member



Rep of Director of Agriculture
Member



Rep. of Director of Settlement & Land Record
Member



Representative of Additional Collector
South (Revenue), Member



Dy. Conservator of Forests
(Working Plan) Member Secretary



Chief Conservator of Forests
Chairman

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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Date: 14/10/2023



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