

**Proceedings of the Hearing conducted on 10.04.2024 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) and South Goa (Araujo) Committee in Queula and Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka, Conquirem and Querim village of Sattari Taluka and Naquerim village of Quepem Taluka.**

The following members/representatives were present: -

1. Shri Praveen Kumar Raghaw, IFS  
Chief Conservator of Forests & Chairman of Review Committee.
2. Shri Nandakumar E. Parab, IFS  
Dy. Conservator of Forests (WP) & Member Secretary, Review Committee.
3. Shri Prem Kumar Singh,  
Representative of Additional Collector, North Goa District.
4. Shri Nagesh Komarpant,  
Representative of the Director of Agriculture
5. Shri 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. Deepak Tandel, Range Forest Officer, Ponda Range
2. Shri Purushottam Prabhugaonkar, Field Surveyor, DSLR
3. Shri Rajesh K. Bhomkar, Field Surveyor, DSLR
4. Shri Prashant Parvatkar, Field Surveyor, DSLR
5. Shri Gaurish Naik, Forest Surveyor (WP)
6. Ajay S. Gaude, Round Forester, Pissornem Range
7. Shri Promod Mallik, Forest Guard, Ponda Range
8. Smt. Anushka P. Naik, Forest Guard, Ponda Range

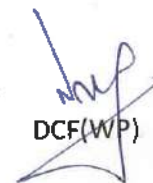
  
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Objection from the villagers of Queula and Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka, Conquirem and Querim village of Sattari Taluka and Naquerim village of Quepem Taluka were heard individually. It was informed to the Review Committee that the notice for hearing dated 01/04/2024 was served to each objector through post, special messenger, also through telephone calls and messages.

The public hearing scheduled for the day is being conducted for the areas qualifying as private forests based on approved methodology. Survey number finalized by Thomas committee and Araujo Committee were enumerated on field by Sub Committee. Plan and enumeration report submitted by the sub-committee, is placed before the Review Committee for public hearing on 10/04/2024.


The area qualified as private forest after field enumeration is verified in presence of the objector. Field report along with copy of each such document / plan were shown to concerned objector 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. Narendra Jiu Sawamt Dessai	Survey no. 35, Naquerim village of Quepem taluka.	Objector was absent for the hearing.	Survey no. 35(P) of Naquerim village of Quepem taluka was identified as private forest by Araujo Committee. Survey number 35 of Naquerim village of Quepem taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest. The objector telephonically informed

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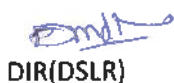
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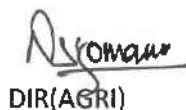
				that he is on election duty and cannot attend the hearing. Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee.
2.	Mrs. Nita Dattadas Chodankar represented by Adv. Pankaj Dattadas Chodankar	Survey no. 4/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest saying the area is not private forest as per Sawant, Karapurkar and Deepshika Committee report.	Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with objection but couldn't able to show his area on the survey plan. Comments/Views/objection were recorded by the committee.
3.	Mrs. Geeta Santosh Painguinkar represented by Adv. Pankaj	Survey no. 4/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest saying the area is not private forest as per Sawant,	Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.

  
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	Dattadas Chodankar		Karapurkar and Deepshika Committee report.	While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with objection but couldn't able to show his area on the survey plan.  Comments/Views/object- ion were recorded by the committee.
4.	Mrs. Nandini V. Rao represented by Adv. Pankaj Dattadas Chodankar	Survey no. 4/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest saying the area is not private forest as per Sawant, Karapurkar and Deepshika Committee report.	Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with objection but couldn't able to show his area on the survey plan.

  
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5.	Mrs. Mohini Ulhas Mardolkar represented by Adv. Pankaj Dattadas Chodankar	Survey no. 4/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest saying the area is not private forest as per Sawant, Karapurkar and Deepshika Committee report.	Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with objection but couldn't able to show his area on the survey plan. Comments/Views/object- ion were recorded by the committee.
6.	Mr. Ketan K P. Bhatiker	Survey no. 4/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has no objection, as the property is falling outside the qualifying area as private forests.	Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying

  
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7.	Mr. Rajaram G. Naik	Survey no. 4/1-E and 4/1-F of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest.	<p>Survey Number 4 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.</p> <p>While review, Survey number 4(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.</p> <p>The objector has signed the attendance</p> <p>Comments/Views/object-ion were recorded by the committee.</p>

  
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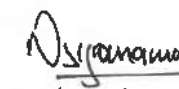
8.	Dr. Srihari B Ramani	Survey no. 1/5 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest and requested for next date of hearing.	Survey Number 1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 1(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance  Comments/Views/object- ion were recorded by the committee.
9.	Mr. Rajan B. Ramani	Survey no. 1/5 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as private forest stating the area is agricultural in nature and there exists fruit bearing trees with ponds and natural spring. And also, does not meet the criteria of Private Forest.	Survey Number 1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 1(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance with his objection.

  
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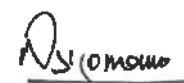
  
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10.	Mr. Shivaji Krishna Sawant	Survey no. 53/1 of Queula village of Ponda taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as Private Forest stating field survey has been carried without any intimation and there exists thorny bushes, shrubs, coconut palms and scattered cashew saplings/plants	Survey Number 53 of Queula village of Ponda taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 53(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance with his objection.  Comments/Views/object- ion were recorded by the committee.
11.	Mr. Laxman Chandro Kavlekar by Tushar Kavlekar	Survey No. 53/2 of Queula Village of Ponda Taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as Private Forest stating there exists structures, Temple, Mango tree, Banana tree, coconut and other agricultural plants.	Survey Number 53 of Queula village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 53(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.

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12.	Mr. Vasant Uma alias Omu Kavlekar represented by Vimal Kavlekar (Wife)	Survey No. 53/2 of Queula Village of Ponda Taluka.	Has objected for identification of his property as Private Forest stating there exists Mango, Jackfruit and Banana trees and also a temple.	<p>Survey Number 53 of Queula village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.</p> <p>While review, Survey number 53(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.</p> <p>The objector has signed the attendance sheet with her objection.</p> <p>Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.</p>
13.	Mr. Tushar Tulshidas Kavlekar	Survey No. 53/2 of Queula Village of Ponda Taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as Private Forest stating there exists structures, Temple, Mango tree,	<p>Survey Number 53 of Queula village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.</p>

  
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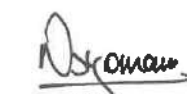
			Banana tree, coconut and other agricultural plants.	While review, Survey number 53(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with his objection.  Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
14.	Mr. Sapanish H. Kavlekar	Survey No. 53/2 of Queula Village of Ponda Taluka	Has objected for identification of his property as Private Forest stating there exists structures, Temple, Mango tree, Jackfruit tree, Banana tree, Battlenut tree, coconut and other agricultural trees.	Survey Number 53 of Queula village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee.  While review, Survey number 53(P) of Queula village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with his objection.  Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.

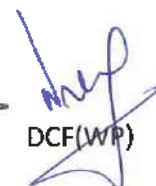
  
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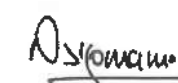
15.	Mr. Rajendra Gharu Prabhu & 8 others	Survey No. 62/1 of Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka	Has objected for identification of their property as Private Forest stating cashew plantation, Nachne, udid and other crops are being grown from the past.	Survey Number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with their objection.  Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
16.	Mr. Harish Anant Prabhu	Survey No. 62/1 of Vagurbem Village of Ponda Taluka	Has objected for identification of their property as Private Forest.	Survey Number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with his objection.

  
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17.	Mr. Chandrakant K. Prabhu	Survey No. 62/1 of Vagurbem village of Ponda taluka	Objected for identifying his area as private forest.	Survey Number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 62 of Vagurbem village of Ponda taluka is found partly qualifying criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet with his objection.  Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
18.	Mr. Pramod M. Rane	Survey No. 21/1 of Querim Village of Sattari Taluka	Objected for identification of his area as private forest requesting to issue permission for felling of trees.	Survey Number 21 of Querim village of Sattari Taluka was identified as private forest by Sawant Committee. While review, Survey number 21(P) is found partly qualifying criteria of private forest.  The objector has signed the attendance sheet.

  
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19.	Damodar Mangalji and Co. Ltd	Survey No. 29/1 of Conquirem Village of Sattari Taluka	Objector was absent for the Hearing.	Survey Number 29 of Conquirem village of Sattari Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 29 of Conquirem village of Sattari taluka is found partly qualifying the criteria of private forest. As objector has not submitted any justification for not attending the hearing, heard the case exparte. Comments/Views/objecti on were recorded by the committee.
20	Krishna Plantations Private Limited / Sandesk K. Naik	Survey No. 29/1 of Conquirem Village of Sattari Taluka	Objected for identification of his area as private forest requesting to show the area identified as private forest on the survey plan submitted by him or show the area on ground.	Survey Number 29 of Conquirem village of Sattari Taluka was identified as private forest by Thomas Committee. While review, Survey number 29 of Conquirem village of Sattari taluka is found partly qualifying

  
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As the objector at sr. no. 1, Mr. Narendra Jiu Sawant Dessai has informed his unavailability due to election duty, it is decided to hear in the next hearing. Also at sr. no. 8, Dr. Srihari B Ramani requested for next date of hearing. Committee agreed to call him for next hearing.


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.

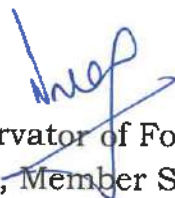
  
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Representative of Additional Collector  
North (Revenue), Member

  
Dy. Conservator of Forest  
(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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