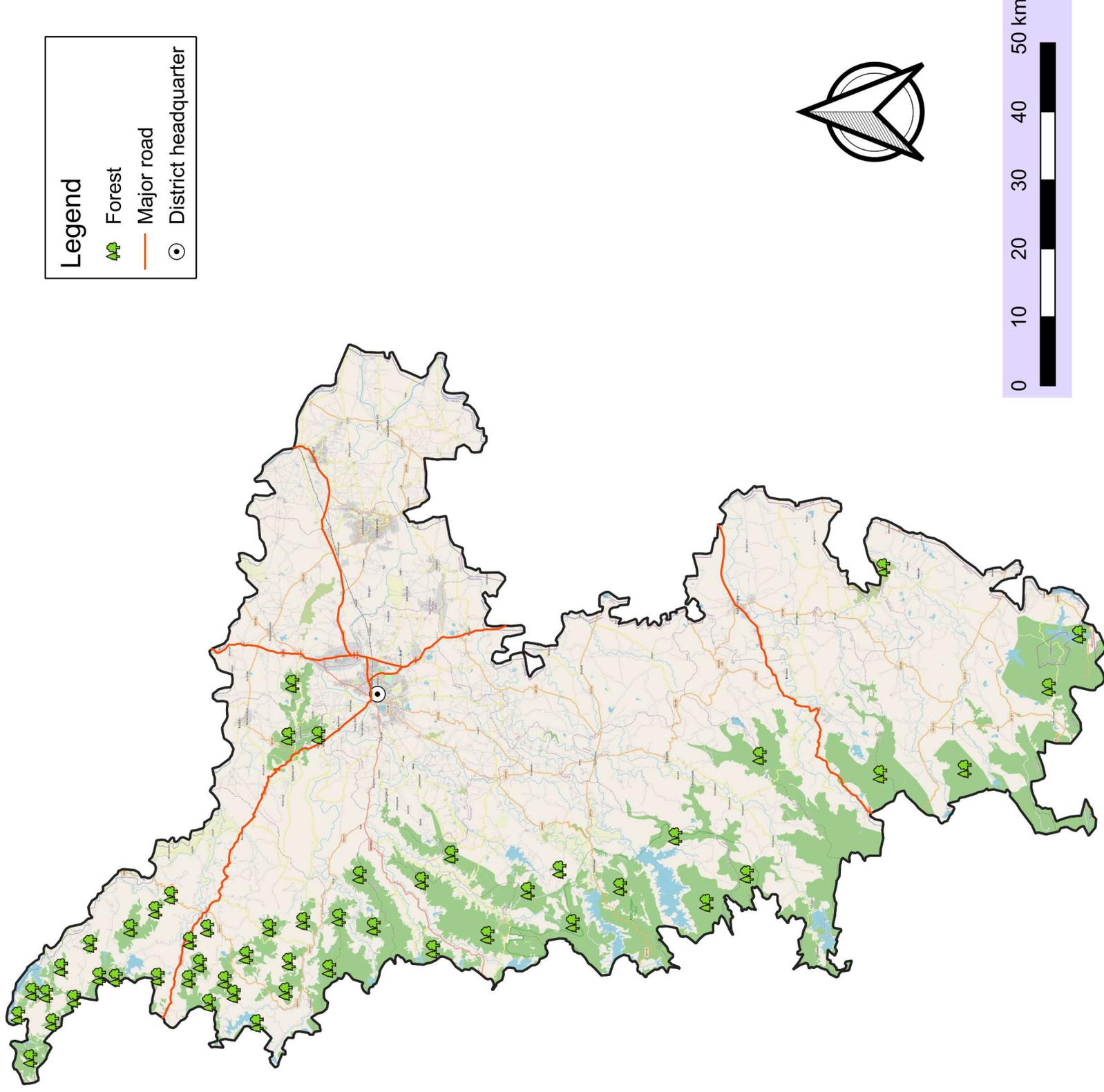


Title: Forest places in Kolhapur District



Map description and analysis

Introduction:

Kolhapur district's west region is covered with dense forest and beautiful ecosystems. Forest are the important part of Kolhapur's rainy season. Western Ghats are located on West side of Kolhapur district which filled the whole area with greenery and forest.

Forest:

- There are various ranges included in Kolhapur viz. Karvir, Panhala, Bhudargad, Ajra, Vishalgad, Radhanagari and Bavda.
- For protection of forests, 24 round officers and 146 beat guards are allocated.
- There are four classes of forest viz. Reserved, Protected, Leased and Unclassed. These forests covers up total of 599.01 sq. miles of area in Kolhapur district.

Tourism:

- Chandoli National Park is another forest in Kolhapur district situated at upper North side of Kolhapur, approx. 80KM from district headquarter i.e. Kolhapur city.
- Surrounded by forests, Panhala fort is important place in Kolhapur for tourism as well as an important place in perspective of history of Maratha empire.

Natural resource:

- The Gazetteers department of Kolhapur provides a free grant of timber at scheduled prices to poor and needy people.
- Dry and fallen wood is removed by head loads for domestic purpose.
- Sheep and goats are permitted for free grazing in open forests etc.

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