

Site Inspection Report of Divisional Forest Officer, Nilambur North
Division in Proposal No:FP/KL/Pipeline/153543/2022.

I, inspected the site which is located under Valluvasseri Section of Nilambur Range on 30.08.2022. The User agency is planning to establish a pipeline as part of Muppini Lift Irrigation Scheme. The intended irrigation pipeline of 35 cm width and 220 m length passes through VFC Item No.17/10 (17.90 Ha) Palunda Bit I Vested Forest area under Nilambur Range. The pathway proposed for laying the pipeline is a coup road within this Vested Forest from GPS location: 11°20'44.37" N, 76°17'23.98"E to 11°20'50.71"N, 76°17'21.62"E. There are no trees or vegetation at the site where the proposed pipeline of 35 cm width and 220 m length is proposed to be laid. However, on either side of the coup road five teak trees are present. Wildpig (*Sus scrofa*), Malabar palm civet (*Viverra civettina*) & Indian crested Porcupine (*Hystrix indica*) are some of the common fauna of this area.

At present, the existing pipeline goes partly in forest area and partly in adjacent private area. Now the User agency wants to move this portion which goes through private area into the forest area. It is proposed to be laid along the coup road. There will not be any tree felling required for this project.

As per MoEFCC Letter No.F-11/09/98-FC dated: 07/09/2015, General approval for laying of water supply pipeline along the existing right of way without felling of trees was given. Under this general approval, laying of pipeline under this project without diversion of forest area may be permitted subject to the conditions stipulated therein.

Place: Nilambur

Date: 31.08.2022




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