Inspection Note of Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, Kannur

I have inspected the diversion proposal on 07.02.2020. The present proposal is from the Delampady Grama Panchayat intended for construction of bridge across Pallanji River for facilitating connectivity to the Vellarikkaya Tribal Colony. The tribal colony is located in Revenue land adjoining the forest, the accessibility to the colony is only through the Adoor Reserve Forest of Kasaragod Range under Kasaragod Division.

The beneficiaries are Malavettuvan tribals of 20 families, having population of around 75 numbers. They solely depend on coupe road that is passing through Pallanji River and there is no any alternate route to reach town areas. Presently the tribals are facing problems during monsoon season for crossing the river especially the school children could not go to school during peak flow in the river. Hence the Grama Panchayat of Delampady came up with proposal for construction of bridge over the Pallanji River in which the existing forest coupe road connecting the tribal settlement to the nearby town. The total area required for the above project is around 0.0063 ha.

This proposal does not require any tree felling, since construction of bridge need to be done in the existing coupe road passes through the River. Considering there is no alternate road is available for the commutation of Tribal people the project is recommended for sanction.

Chief Conservator of Forests,
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