RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, THENI.

Bodinayakanur Municipality drinking water is met from the Sambalar River and

proposed project is to make improvement for supply of Drinking water for

Bodinayakanur Municipality. The proposed site is not falling in Eco Sensitive Zone of

Megamalai and Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuaries and the distance from Megamalai and

Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuaries are 35.91 km and 5.22 km respectively.

The project site falls in Kottagudi village, which is declared as Ecologically

Sensitive Area (ESA) of Theni District as per Government of India. MOEF and CC

F.No.1-4/2012 RF/PL New Delhi dated 13.11.2013 under section 5 of the

Environment (Protection) Act 1986, however the activity of construction of Check

Dam for drinking water is not a prohibited activity as per the above MOEF letter

cited.

Hence this activity may be permitted as it is essential for drinking water

improvement in Bodi Municipality.

District Forest Officer,

Theni Forest Division,

Theni.