

To

The Additional Principal Chief
Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer F(c) A
Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud,
Thiruvananthapuram-14

Sir,

Subject: Forest and Wildlife Department – Proposal for diversion of 0.138 ha of Forest Land under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the construction of the Vellakayam Micro Hydro Electric Project – Submission of documents – Reg.

Ref: 1. Proposal No. FB/KL/HYD/144656/2021.
2. Letter No. FC2-1436/2024 dated 19.07.2025 from the Nodal Officer.
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 05.08.2025 at the Office of the DFO, Kothamangalam.
4. My letter dated 18.09.2025 addressing to your office.

I invite your kind attention to the references cited above.

Vide the letter cited as reference (2), your good office had directed the company to furnish a reply and submit necessary documents regarding specific observations raised by the Ministry through the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Kothamangalam. Specifically, I was directed to submit the status of the CIA/CCS of the river on which the project is proposed. Furthermore, directions were issued to upload the accurate KML file and map of the entire project area (encompassing both forest and non-forest areas), which were previously unavailable.

In furtherance of the above, a meeting was convened by the DFO, Kothamangalam on 05.08.2025 (Reference 3) to discuss the particulars regarding the 'Vellakayam Micro Hydro Electric Project.' During the said meeting, the DFO instructed the Company to submit the accurate KML data (Sketch & Plan) and the requisite CIA/CCS reports.

In strict compliance with these instructions, the revised KML file, along with the detailed sketches and plans for all project structures, was duly uploaded to the Parivesh Portal on 18.09.2025. Furthermore, physical copies of the same were submitted to the office of the DFO, Kothamangalam division on the said date.

Regarding the requirement for the CIA/CCS studies, the Company engaged the services of M/s Ages (Agriculture and Ecosystem Management) to conduct the necessary assessment. They have completed the study and submitted their report to us



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on 12.01.2026. The report has been prepared based on extensive field studies and investigations carried out by a multidisciplinary team of experts associated with the agency. It comprehensively covers the baseline environmental status of the project area and its surroundings, identifies and evaluates potential environmental concerns, and prescribes mitigation measures to minimize adverse impacts during the construction and operation phases of the hydropower project. A physical copy of the said CIA/CCS study is enclosed herewith for your kind perusal. In view of the foregoing, it is submitted all the requisite documentation in compliance with the directions is issued. It is humbly requested that your good office may be pleased to examine the proposal/documentations and grant the necessary clearance for the commencement of the project at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

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14.01.2026



Sreeba Vellakayam Hydro Project Pvt. Ltd.

Enclosure: CIA/CCS Report (with covering letter of M/s Ages dated 12.01.2026)