Opinion of officer in charge of the National Park / Wildlife Sanctuary

The proposed high level bridge is aimed to provide connectivity connectivity and escape route to seven hamlets located in Pulicat birds sanctuary.

The total area required for bridge construction is 1.11 ha and the site falls within the Pulicat Birds Sanctuary. Pulicat lake is essentially a back water lake and the lake along with the adjoining 13 villages namely 1. Pulicat, 2. Kanavanthurai, 3. Pakkam 4. Avurivakkam, 5. Siralapakkam, 6. Annamalaicherry, 7. Sirumurkuppam, 8. Kirapakkam, 9. Mangodu, 10. Pungulam, 11. Obasamudram Kuppam, 12. Sunnambukulam and 13. Medipalayam constitute the Pulicat Birds Sanctuary. The construction of this bridge is likely to help the villagers and school going children who otherwise find it difficult to cross the lake especially during the monsoon season.

Construction of the proposed bridge at this location will not have any adverse negative impact on the birds or on the biodiversity of lake. Hence "Recommended".

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