## Compensatory Afforestation proposal with respect to Maripuzha Small Hydro-electric Project

The project proposal involves diversion of forest land of about 1.9801 Ha, under Kozhikode Forest Division. The User Agency has identified non-forest land of 2.1229 Ha. in South Wayanad Division for CA. Since, it is a grass land as stated by DFO South Wayanad, the land for land compensation principle is complied with the above CA land identified. For the tree for tree compensation, compensatory afforestation is proposed to be undertaken over an area of 2 Ha of degraded forest land located in Choothupara under Kakkayam Forest Station in Peruvannamoozhy Range of Kozhikkode Forest Division.

The CA scheme details, Site Suitability Certificate and required maps are attached herewith.

Divisioanl Forest Officer Kozhikode

## Site Suitability Certificate for CA land

It is certified that I have inspected the Site selected for raising the CA plantations in lieu of the diversion of 1.98 Ha. of forest land for the Maripuzha Hydro-electric project. The site is located in Choothupara under Kakkayam Forest Station in Peruvannamoozhy Range of Kozhikkode Forest Division. The site falls under Reserved Forest and is part of Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary. The area of the site identified is about 2 Ha. The site is covered with weeds (payarvalli) and devoid of trees. The site is suitable for planting 2000 seedlings. This will compensate for the tree for tree part of compensatory afforestation. The KSEBL has agreed to transfer and mutate equal extend (1.9801 Ha.) of non-forest land at Thariode under their possession to Forest Department for declaring as Reserved Forest which will compensate for the land for land principle. Copy of the communication from KSEBL is enclosed.

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