

**SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KASARAGOD.**

I have inspected the proposed site on 27.05.18. The Deputy General Manager GAIL INDIA Ltd has applied for seeking permission under Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act 1980 to lay their proposed Gas Pipeline laying project (Kochi-Kootanad-Banagalore-Mangalore) Pipeline through Koliyur proposed Reserve Forest of Kasaragod Range for 330 meter length and 10 meter width (Total area 0.33 Ha).

The total extend of proposed Koliyur Reserve Forest is 51.480Acre(20.84Ha) and there is not any endangered or rare flora and fona except some scrub jungles. A plantation was raised at this area by the Social Forestry wing during 2014-15. The proposed area is a linear stretch inside this proposed RF. The boundary consolidation of the area is already completed and cairns were constructed along the border. There is not any other forest area within a radius of 3KM from this area. The proposed RF is encircled by the house holdings, Koliyur Village.

The user agency have completed all the works in both ends of the proposed RF. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and is the barest minimum for the formation of road connectivity. In view of the above proposal is recommended for acceptance as pipeline project is passing through forest land which is using barest minimum extent.

The user agency (GAIL) is the Govt of India undertaking under the ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

  
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