

**Site Inspection of Arulmigu Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyaanarkoil
in Salikulam West Reserve Forest Ottapidaram Section of
Thoothukudi Range, Thoothukudi Forest Division,
Tirunelveli Circle.**

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Inspected the site in Salikulam West Reserve Forest, comprising of 0.42 ha of Forest Land to provide basic amenities for pilgrimage and people who visit Arulmigu Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyanarkoil on 10.06.2021 at 3.00 PM.

The Reserve Forest area of Salikulam west in 960.36 ha and the forest type according to champion and seth's classification is "TYPE 6ADSI – Southern Thorn Scrub". The thorny acacias and their associates occur but usually in stunted form. Much of the soil is shallow and bare. The major species are *Eurphoria viscosa*, *Cassia auriculata* and *Dalbergia multiflora*. Other species seen are *Commiphora berrigi*, *Zizphus xylopycus*, *Dalbergia coromandeliana* etc.

The fauna species found in Salikulam West Reserve Forest are spotted deer, Hare, Porcupine, Squirrel, Pangolin, Python, Cobra, Sand boa, common river turtle, Cattle Egret, white breasted Kingfisher, Hoopoe, Blossom headed parakeet, Pond Heron, Grey Partridge, common peafowl, Emerald Dove, Drango, Jungle crow, Myna, Babbler, House sparrow, Coucal, Treepie Russel Viper etc.

In the proposed area there are 4 numbers of *Commiphora berrgi*, 6 numbers of *Zizphus xylopycus* and 3 numbers of *Dalbergia coromandeliana*. The above species are in stunted growth stage. The wildlife movement in the proposed ^{area of} 0.42 ha is also minimal, as the altitude of the area is 110^mM above mean sea level.

The work will be carried out by the user agency without any further damage to the Forest area and Wildlife.


District Forest Officer,
Thoothukudi.

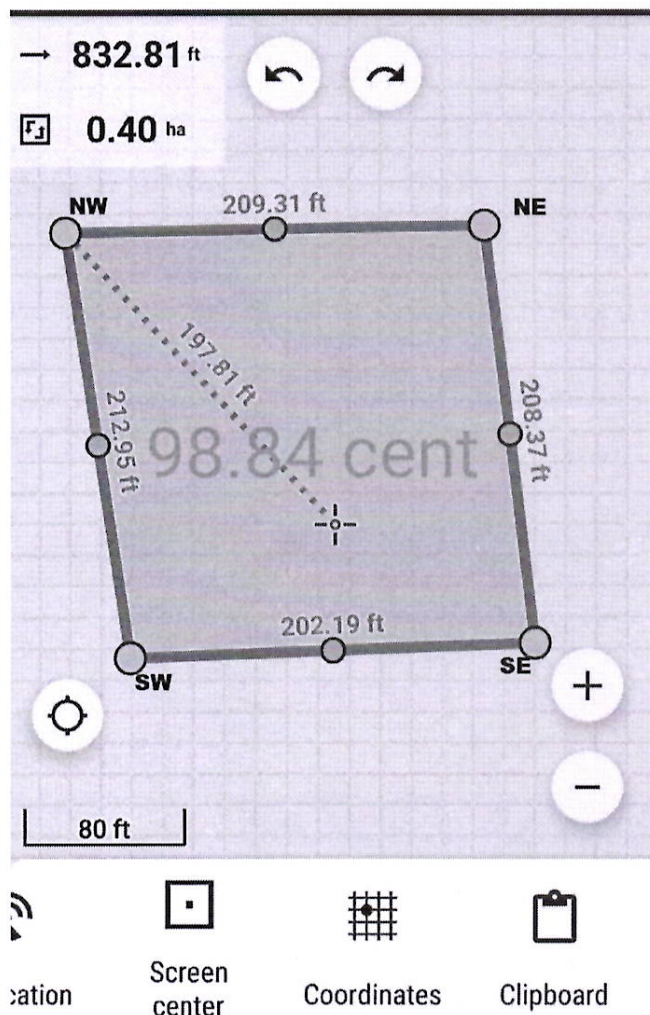
Thoothukudi Range
Ottapidaram Section - Salikulam West RF
Malaiyandi Sastha Iyyanar kovil Location and Area

1. SW - N08.92682
E077.98134

2. NW - N08.92740
E077.98125

3. SE - N08.92684
E077.98190

4. NE - N08.92741
E077.98183



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