

**FIELD INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, NILGIRIS FOREST
DIVISION, UDHAGAMANDALAM.**

The User Agency Joint Director, Health Department Udhagamandalam has submitted a proposal requesting diversion of 25 acres of Forest land (Wenlockdowns Reserved Forests) for establishment of New Government Medical College on 18.10.2019, as per Government Order Ms.No. 372 Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Land disposal wing (LD, 4 (1), section dated. 11.10.2019.

I had inspected the proposed site on 19.11.2019. The proposed site of 25 acres comprises of two Survey Numbers 168 part (old survey number) and 33(old survey number) of Udhagamandalam town.

The Complete 12.08 acres of Survey No. 168 Part (old survey number) and 12.92 acres out of 23.01 acres of Survey No. 33 (old survey number) was applied for diversion. The above said Survey numbered lands along with other survey Number 35(old survey number) was transferred to Hindustan Photo Films manufacturing Company Ltd as per Government Order Ms No. 1117 Food and Agri Department dated. 27.03.1963 and Government Order Ms No. 3113 Forest and Fisheries Department Dated 13.09.1965

The User Agency has completed DGPS Survey for the requested land. The proposed 25 acres of Forest land is a plantation along with few constructions inside. The details of the Constructions and trees is as follows.

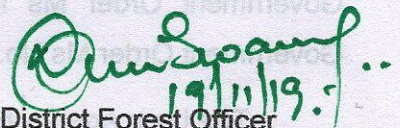
| S.No | Name of Building | Area in sqm |
|------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. | 8 Nos of Quarters with car parking shed | 1420.11 m ² |
| 2. | Car parking shed (1 No) | 22.80 m ² |
| 3. | Cable TV Room | 25.20 m ² |
| 4. | Antenna and tower | 9.00 m ² |
| 5. | Convention Hall | 872.90 m ² |
| | Total | 2350.01 m² |

| S.No | Name of Tree | No of Trees |
|------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Eucalyptus globulus | 1683 |
| 2. | Eucalyptus grandis | 01 |
| 3. | Accasia mearnsii | 59 |
| 4. | Pinus pettula | 39 |
| 5. | Accasia melonoxylum | 13 |
| 6. | Michalia chenpaga | 02 |
| 7. | Cypress couprosses | 39 |
| 8. | Phodocarpus latifolia | 02 |
| | Total | 1838 |

Regarding the location of the site, the land is adjoined by Ooty – Gudalur National Highway, Patta lands on East side, on the West side is the old Pykara road, North side is Forest land (i.e) the continuity of Survey No. 33 which is transferred to Hindustan Photo Films manufacturing Company Ltd, on the South side is forest land leased to Jersey Farm.

The site is an abandoned plantation with few buildings as mentioned above and a Black top approach road of 364 meters length and 3.50 meters width branched from old Pykara road still exists.

There is no spontaneous growth having value from the point of endemic and Biodiversity. The site is an eucalyptus plantation, it does not appear to be a core habitat of any resident Wildlife population worthy of particular mention. However, as the proposed land is contiguous to Reserve Forests, Wildlife movement is said to occur in the area. The proposed site is 25 km away from Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, 30 km away from Mukurthy National Park. The proposed site does not come under Tamil Nadu Preservation of Private Forest Act 1949 and does not come under Elephant Corridor.


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| 1. | 8 Nos of Quarters with car parking shed | 1420.11 m ² |
| 2. | Car parking shed (1 No) | 22.80 m ² |
| 3. | Cable TV Room | 28.20 m ² |
| 4. | Antenna and tower | 9.00 m ² |
| 5. | Convention Hall | 872.90 m ² |
| | Total | 2363.01 m ² |

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| 1. | Eucalyptus globulus | 1683 |
| 2. | Eucalyptus grandis | 01 |
| 3. | Acacia mangium | 59 |
| 4. | Pinus patula | 38 |
| 5. | Acacia mangium | 19 |
| 6. | Mitrasia chrysophylla | 02 |
| 7. | Cypripedium | 39 |
| 8. | Phodocarpus latifolius | 02 |
| | Total | 1838 |