Minutes of the meeting held on 08.09.2015 in the chamber of Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Northern Region, Palakkad

Present

- 1. Pramod Krishnan, Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Palakkad
- 2. P. Ramakrishnan, Assistant Conservator of Forests (TA), Wildlife Circle, Palakkad
- 3. Viju Varghees, Wildlife Warden, Peechi
- 4. Sunil I. P., Range Forest Officer, Peechi
- 5. Anilkumar M. P., Section Forest Officer

Proposal for diversion of forest land for LPG pipe line:

This proposal involves laying of underground pipe line for carrying LPG from Kochi to Salem. Part of the pipe line (792.6 mtr) passes through Peechi Wildlife Sanctuary. The project proponent is M/s Kochi Salem Pipeline Private Limited. The proposed layout of the pipe line is through the land already diverted in the year 2001 for laying pipe line by M/s Petronet CCK Limited for carrying petroleum products. The total area diverted then by following the provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 was 0.4754 Ha. in Peechi Wildlife Sanctuary.

The monitoring committee constituted vide letter No. F(C)A/11.1/41/KER/7115 dated 04.06.2015 in its meeting held on 08.09.2015 discussed the proposal and decided the following:

- 1. Since the proposal doesn't involve any fresh diversion of forest land, the proposal is recommended.
- 2. However since it is for a new activity other than for which the land was diverted in 2001, this proposal has to be treated as a fresh one and the project proponent may seek all necessary clearance under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (including forest and wildlife clearances) as per the existing procedures.

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