<u>Field Inspection Report for Formation of Road (600m x 6m = 3600 sq.m or 0.36 ha)</u> <u>inside Avanam RF in Pattukkottai Range of Thanjavur Forest Division.</u>

The proposed site was inspected by the District Forest Officer on 14.12.2022 for Formation of Road inside Avanam Reserved Forest in Pattukkottai Range of Thanjavur Forest division for connecting Pulichankadu village with Thulukkaviduthi village in Thanjavur district. During the site inspection it was noted that,

- The term used by the User Agency for up gradation of road is not existing road, no Right of Way permitted or no earlier approval accorded under Forest Conservation Act, 1980. The pathway used by Forest department for perambulation of cashew plantation since the notification of RF is now proposed for black topping.
- 2. The area proposed for diversion by the user agency is very minimum and there is no alternative land for the proposed project except the forest land.
- 3. The user agency has not started any work proposed inside Avanam Reserved Forest. Therefore the question of violation of provision in Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for this proposal does not arise,
- 4. The user agency shall pay the net present value imposed (Rs. 2,41,250 /-) as per the revised Forest Conservation Act, 1980 guidelines.
- 5. There are no rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna in the Avanam Reserved Forest.
- 6. There are no protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment and there are no monument in the above project site.



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