Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram - 14.

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## From

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Special Afforestation) & Nodal Officer, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram.

To

The Additional Chief Secretary, Forest & Wildlife Department, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram.

Sir,

**Sub:-** Proposal for diversion of 0.25 ha of forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for establishing Anakkampoyil Hydro Electric Project - regarding.

**Ref:** Lr. No. P-8654/2015 dated 29.12.2015 from Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle) Kannur.

The proposal for diversion of 0.25 ha of forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for establishing Anakkampoyil Hydro Electric Project in Kozhikkode Division of Kannur Circle received from Anakkampoyil Power Private Limited through Northern Circle Chief Conservator of Forests vide reference cited. 4 sets of proposal is enclosed herewith.

The area of 0.25 ha falls in Vested Forests in VFC item 28 in Mundoor Malavaram in Thamarassery Range of Kozhikkode Division. The proposed diversion is for establishing a Micro level Hydro Electric Project across Eravanjipuzha. The project work within the forest area includes construction of a barrier having approximate height of 4.50 M and part of pipeline leading to penstock. The forest area required is 0.25 ha. Almost 10 cents of vegetated area will be submerged additionally by establishing the project. Balance area of water spread area will be part of the existing river. The area do not contain rare and endangered or endemic flora and fauna. The area is not important from archaeological / heritage / defense point of view. No tree felling is required. The site has been inspected by both Divisional Forest Officer.

Kozhikkode and Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle) Kannur. The index map has been counter signed by Divisional Forest Officer. As the area required is less than 1 ha, no Compensatory Afforestation required. Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle) Kannur has recommended the project. The User Agency has given undertaking to pay Net Present Value, Additional Net Present Value etc.

The proposal may be recommended to be approved by Government of India subject to the conditions that

- 1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain the same.
- 2. Once the purpose is served, the land will be resumed back to Forest Department.
- 3. The User Agency has to remit Net Present Value to the CAMPA account.
- 4. Additional amount of Net Present Value of the diverted area if any becoming due after revision of the same by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged from User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- 5. Total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.25 ha.

Yours faithfully,

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Special Afforestation) & Nodal Officer