

**Site Inspection Report of Divisional Forest officer, Kothamangalam for Edavetty
Nadayam Depot Road**

I have inspected the proposed Edavetty Nadyam Depot Road area on 19.03.2023. The proposed road is aligned at the boundary of Reserve Forest under Thodupuzha Range. The area comes under Karikode village under Thodupuzha taluk of Idukki District. A mud road is already under existence and it connects the settlements with many other roads. The extent of the total area is 0.456 Ha (1520 m X 3 m). It is also found that 27 trees belonging to various species need to be felled for the alignment of proposed road. It is reported that the proposed project does not hamper the wildlife habitat of the Reserve Forest as it is proposed along the boundary of Reserve Forest. Hence this proposal is recommended for Forest Clearance.

It is also recommended that the balance Reserve area should be fenced by the User Agency. Also the area should be afforested with Bamboo, Reeds etc and no more roads inside Reserve forest shall be permitted. Due to the above conditions, the balance forest area will be remain as protected with proper consolidation of its boundary and prevent any encroachments.



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