Site Inspection Report of Conservator of Forests, ABP Circle

I have inspected the site on 26.06.2018 along with Sri.Y.M. Shajikumar, Widlife Warden, Thiruvananthapuram and Sri. A.K. Sasikumaran Nair, Assistant Wildlife Warden, Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary and staff. The proposed bridge is to be constructed at Kumbichalkadavu across Neyyar Reservoir in Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary. The size of the bridge is 253.4m X 11 m. The bridge along with the approach will require an area of 0.39 Ha. to be diverted which is the minimum required for the project. Only the pillars of the bridge are to be erected in the Neyyar Reservoir. The bridge will provide vehicular traffic to about 400 families of 11 tribal settlements on other side of Neyyar Reservoir. At present there is a ferry operating in the reservoir and it is very difficult to operate the same during rainy season. Klamala-I Section office of Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary is also functioning on the other bank of reservoir. The bridge is very much useful for the department and the local inhabitants who are tribals. The proposal will not adversely affect the wildlife. Hence this proposal is recommended for clearance.

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