SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF WILDLIFE WARDEN, MUNNAR

I have inspected the area proposed for laying of Optical Fiber Cable by the Reliance JIO Infocomm Limited on 24.03.2019. The proposed area falls within the Pampadum Shola National Park which in under the Shola National Parks Range of this Division. The proposed area falls on the side of the road passing through the Pampadum Shola National Park from Top Station Check Post to the Check Post at Manathalam which comes to about 4.8 km. Along the side of the road, 35 pits having the dimension of 1m (L) x 0.4 m (B) x 1 m (D) will be dugged to lay the Optical Fiber Cable. These pits will be connected by using Horizontal Directional Drilling Machine, so that there is no need for digging the entire length of 4.8 km. Since the area falls along the road side, the area do not have any rare, endangered / unique species of flora and fauna. Moreover there are no protected / archeological/heritage site / defense / establishment located in the proposed area. No works in violation of Forest (conservation Act) have been carried out in the area. Area proposed, ie, 0.1400 ha is maximum required for the proposed project. Hence, it is recommended to divert 0.1400 ha of Forest Land temporarily for the implementation of laying of Optical Fiber Cable. The user agency should cover up the trench and restore the Forest Land and hand it over to Forest Department.

Wildlife Warden Munnar