## NOTE ON THE PROJECT

Ananthapuramu District is one among the districts of arid region of Rayalaseema. Ananthapuramu District is most Drought affected area in the country. The groundwater table has plummeted alarmingly in this area due to scarcity of rainfall and excess extraction of ground water. Hence, in order to prevent this area from desertification and also to provide some relief from the suffering both for drinking water and for protective irrigation at about 703 Acres belongs to poor farmers and fall under BPL (Below Poverty Line). It is found necessary for construction of Percolation Tank across Devaragundla Vanka near Tarimela vaillage of Singanamala mandal of Ananthapuramu District, to recharge of ground water table nearby 327 Bore wells. Further there is no alternative suitable site other than this site after conducting the detailed survey.

Accordingly, the survey has been conducted an extent for "Diversion of 0.39 Ha of forest land in Sy. No. 901, Compt. No. 487 of Tarimela RF of Singanamala mandal of Ananthapuramu District in Ananthapuramu Range of Ananthapuramu Division in favour of Technical Director, Rural Development Trust, Ananthapuramu.

For construction of Percolation Tank an amount of Rs. 98.40 lakh is required and also generate employment nearly 19680 Nos. By constructing the percolation tank we will control the migration in this village and also develop the fodder plots as well as diary in the village.

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