SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KASARAGOD.

I have inspected the proposed Nerodi-Vellarikaya Electrification area on 05.05.2017. The Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Kasaragod has applied for seeking permission under Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act 1980 to lay their proposed underground cable through reserve forest. The area is a coupe road (196 m), which leading to Nerodi-Vellarikaya in Adoor Reserve Forest. There are twelve families as beneficiaries to this project. No tree felling is required to execute the project. Also this does not involve any endangered species of fauna and flora. Forest land on either side consist of trees like *Xylia Xylocarpa*, *Termenilia tomentosa* and other species. The proposed area is almost linear stretch of Reserve forest. On inspection the boundary consolidation was observed to be completed, as cairns were intact along the border. State Government has declared commitment to electricity to all households in state by March 2017.

The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and is the barest minimum for the electrification scheme. In view of the above proposal is recommended for acceptance as road is passing through forest last which is using barest minimum extent.

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