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SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT ON INTERNATIONAL SHIP REPAIR FACILITY OF COCHIN SHIPYARD LTD, KOCHI

I have inspected the proposed project site for construction of International Ship repair facility of Cochin Shipyard Ltd, Kochi on 24.11.2016 along with Assistant Conservator of Forest, NSC and field staff. The proposed project area is 4.3 Km away from Mangalavanam Bird Sanctuary. This area does not fall the habitat of any endangered or rare species of plants and animals. The proposed project is within the own premises of Cochin Shipyard Ltd land. Only few mangrove trees of *Rhizophora mucronata* was seen in one corner of the proposed site. Totally 15 individual mangrove trees the user agency committed to plant 10 times more trees (150) in Mallipuram area as Compensatory Afforestation. This will be done by Social Forestry Division Ernakulam on receipt of fund from user agency. In my view there is no negative impact on the flora, fauna and other biodiversity of Mangalavanam Bird Sanctuary from the proposed project site for construction of International Ship repair facility of Cochin Shipyard Ltd, Kochi. Hence the proposal is recommended for clearance from the National Board of Wildlife.

Yours faithfully

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