SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (WILDLIFE) & FIELD DIRECTOR, PALAKKAD

I have inspected the proposed area on 31/08/2017. The proposed area falls within the land already diverted for NH 544.

Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd (a Government of India Enterprise) has submitted application for permission to lay \pm 320 KV under Ground Power Cable from Vadakkamcheri to Thrissur to draw bulk Power by Kerala. The total length of the Power Cable is 32 Km of which only 490 metre length with a width of 2 metre is passing through Peechi-Vazhani Wildlife Sanctuary area.

About 0.098 Ha of Forest land is required to be utilized for the proposed project and this is within the land already diverted to NH 544 by the Forest Department.

The proposed land lying along the existing NH 544, is devoid of any tree growth and vegetation. This area does not support any endangered species of flora and fauna. The adjoining forest is Reserve Forests of Moist Deciduous type coming under the category of 0.5 to 0.7density with species like Terminala paniculata, Macaranga peltata, Haldenia cordifolia, Xylia xylocarpa, Bamboos Spp. etc. The proposed area is a linear stretch and is not passing through National Park or Tiger Reserve. However the area falls within Peechi-Vazhani Wildlife Sanctuary

The requirement of Forest land as proposed by the user agency is unavoidable and is the barest minimum for the project. In view of above, the proposal is recommended for acceptance.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Field Director, Palakkad