



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

No.80/C2/2017/F&WLD

Forest & Wild Life (C) Department
Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 26.09.2017

From

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

The Deputy Conservator of Forest (Central),
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Government of India,
Regional Office (Southern Zone). Kendriya Sadan,
4th Floor, E& F Wing, 17th Main Road,
Koramangala, Bangalore - 560034.

Sir

Sub:- F&WLD - Renewal of Leased Forest Land Of 79.08 Ha - Indian
Institute of Spices Research(IISR). Peruvannamoozhi. Kozhikode - reg.
Ref:- Letter No.FC1 - 38786/2001 dated 29.08.2017 from Principal
Chief Conservator of Forest (F.L&R) Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

I am directed to forward herewith 3 hard copies of the proposal along with the appendices, for extension of lease for 79.08 ha of forest land to Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Peruvannamoozhi, Kozhikode.

The area of 94.08 ha of forest land is a part of Pannikottur Reserve Forest which was notified as Reserve Forest vide notification Agri (F(B)4-63626/58 and it falls in Survey No. 568 of Chembanada Village of Koyilandi Taluk. The above said 94.08 ha of forest land was leased to IISR in the year 1975 for establishing experimental farm. The initial lease period was for 25 years w.e.f 02.08.1976 and which expired on 2001. Thereafter the user agency has submitted necessary proposal for the extent of lease for a further period of 99 years and also submitted the application in online mode in Form A accompanied with the essential details.

Site inspection report by the Forest Department shows that the lease for an area of 79.08 ha only needs be extended as the farm authorities have constructed Elephant Proof Trench to protect the crops in which the remaining 15 Ha was not used in the past for any other activities and requested Government to that extent ^{exclude} from further leasing.

The lease renewal is essential for IISR for their continuing research programme. This is a case of lease renewal and therefore the need of Compensatory Afforestation is not required and hence the proposal is recommended for approval subject to the following conditions.

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Construction of no new building shall be taken up in the forest area except for those which are inevitable for research purpose and with the approval of Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle), Kannur.
3. The forest land to be utilized shall not exceed 79.08 ha.
4. User Agency should abide any other condition to be stipulated by either the Government of India or Government of Kerala and Kerala Forest Department in the interest of conservation of Forest.

It is requested to kindly obtain the approval of the Ministry of Environment and Forest in this regard and to communicate to this office at the earliest. Clarifications, if any, while considering the proposal may be intimated to this office for initiating necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



H. NAJEEB

Deputy Secretary

For Additional Chief Secretary to Government

