

1. Project Details:

- (I) Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which the forest land is required:

The request drafted for the conversion of Forest Land to Non Forest purpose is for implementing Jalanidhi-rural water supply and sanitation project in Marayorgramam, Pattikkad and Marayoor areas of Marayoor Grama Panchayat. At present they collect their drinking water from Marayoorgramam water supply scheme implemented by Kerala Water Authority in 1965 which has to be repaired and maintained. The present source of this project is in Koodakkadu river which has to be renovated. The Filter and the collection Tanks near the source has to be renovated for the 1769 families living in the area. The 1769 families living here lack safe drinking water almost 6-8 months and during peak season they have to walk kilometers to fetch water. The project looks forward to repair and maintain source near Koodakkadu and pave pipelines from there to the tank near the source, which has to be reconstructed and as well lay pipeline from the source to the Tank at Marayoorgramam and distribution lines to the 667 households. The project is implemented by Marayoor Grama Panchayat through the Beneficiary groups formed from the beneficiaries of Marayoor.

- (I) Cost of the Project: 11814000

- (II) Justification for locating the project in forest area:

The jalanidhi water supply project is proposed for the 1769 families residing in marayoor area of marayoor Grama panchayat. The proposed project area comes under the rainshadow area where no other source of drinking water available due to the geographical features of marayoor. At present they collect water from Kerala Water Authority project implemented here. The project looks forward to the renovation of the same to assure adequate drinking water for the families.