Self Contained and Factual project report

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Introductions

The Project Comprised in Survey No. 67/1 of Kumily Village of Peerumad Taluk of Idukki (Dist) The Project is located in a land mass covering an area of 2.864 Hectare. It is located on the side of the Kottayam Kumily Road adjacent to Kumily Town. The Project situated in a land strip encompassed by public road on all the sides. The area is distinctively demarcated from the adjoining forest land. As the project located in a densely populated area, hardly we could find the trace of wild life inhabitation in that area. Hence the question of depletion of wild life would not arise. The avifauna of the area is also very little, Compensatory afforestation was made several times. Vegetative population of the area mainly covers ornamental, Flowery, fruit bearing and medicinal plants which were planted as part of the afforestation programme. The project never causes any displacement of population. Eco-friendly and natural sewage disposal devises and methods were adopted so that ecological balance and biodiversity of the area is maintained and protected very well.

Cost of the project

The project site has constructions such as suits(3 nos.), Deluxe rooms (10 nos.), Ordinary rooms(10 nos.), Dormitories (4 nos.) having bed strength of 20 each and Quarters(2 nos.). A canteen is functioning round the clock, and a well furnished auditorium with ultra modern facilities having the seat strength of thousand is located in the middle portion of the project area. Wells , Tube wells, Pump house were construction on the land. The front office of the project was situated adjacent to the main entrance on the side of the KK Road. Construction of the project was entrusted with the Construction corporation of Kerala with an estimated project cost of Rs. 38,75000/- The construction was commenced in 1978 and completed in the year 1981. There after renovation of buildings were done several times. The fixtures and movables of the project site costs approximately 10 crores

Justification for Locating the Project in Forest Area

Kumily is a hill station in Idukki District, having so many tea, coffee and cardamom estates. The adjacent district is Kottayam which is about 100 km away form Kumily also well-known for rubber plantation and rubber industries. The industrial belt of Kerala which locates at Alwaye, Aloor, Angamly, Ernakulam, etc. is also about 150 km. away from Kumily. The number of workers in all these three districts namely Idukki, kottayam and Ernakulam, will come around more than 80% of the total labour population of kerala. These workers who are interested to enjoy the Holidays with their families will get an easy access to Kumily Holiday Home. Moreover the well-known wild life sanctuary at Thekkady is very near to Kumily and the distance between these places hardly covers 5 km. Famous tourist centre Munnar is another attraction to Kumily. The picturesque landscape and serene climatic condition, and scenic beauty, Prompted the Government and the Board to select the place at Kumily as the most apt one to the workers in Kerala to come and relax with their families.

(V) Cost Benefit Analysis

The Kerala Labour Welfare Fund Board is not running the Holiday Home for profit. This is a prestigious institution of the Board to provide maximum benefits to the employees who are our subscribers and their families. Contribution from the employees and their employers mainly constitute the Fund of the Board. It is not a commercial undertaking and even the canteen facilities provided to the employees and their families are on no profit no loss basis. In order to promoted tourism among the employees who are subscribers of this board, we are providing tour subsidy also to undertake tour to this place. As a whole the Board is running the institution not on the basis of profit making but to provide some basic needs to the members and their families who go on tour to Thekkady.

(VI) Employment guaranteed by the Project

As now 19 personnel are working under the institution in various categories. In addition to that more employment opportunities may arise in connection with construction activities, fencing, gardening sanitation work sewage disposal, afforestation programme and other incidental works.

Social Significance of the Project

Workers especially industrial workers and Plantation workers are exposed to so many hazards .The continuous long hours of work in the unhealthy and unhygienic working conditions put them in extreme stress and strain. Fatigue and Boredom alienates the workers from the industrial atmosphere and often it may leads to industrial accidents. The continuous long hours of work, without sufficient interval of time for rest promotes absentism, alcoholism, drug abuse and immoral traffic in the workers resolved community. If those problems are not addressed and resolved properly it would result in the retardation of the self of the workers and intern seriously affect the productivity of the industrial sector. The maladjustments among the spouses of the workers results in broken family situation. In order to maintain mental health and hygiene of workers it is highly imperative to provide them with leisure facilities such as rest rooms, shelters, canteen, recreation club, amusement park and boarding places. Even though more than thirteen welfare fund board are functioning under the aegis of the Government of Kerala; Holyday Home is the lone health resort founded with a view to extend leisure activities of the entire working population of the state. Over the last three decades it stands as an embodiment and model for the welfare activities extended by the Govt. of Kerala to the toiling and moiling working class.

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