

Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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To  
The DDGF (Central),  
Regional Office MoEF&CC,  
Bengaluru, Karnataka

**Sub: Proposal for seeking ex-post facto approval of the Central government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 0.138 ha of forest land for the construction of Vellakkayam 90 KW Micro Hydro Electric Project in Kothamangalam Division (Online Proposal No. FP/KL/HYD/144656/2021)-Reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Kerala's letter No. C3/74/2023/F&WLD dated 23.02.2023 and additional information submitted on 26.04.2025 for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to request that the Regional Office, Bengaluru of this Ministry to inspect the area proposed for diversion, and submit inspection report to this Ministry as per the Rules and Guideline for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

**(S. Sundar)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Government of Kerala, Forests and Wildlife Department, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala- 695001
2. PCCF (HoFF), Forest Department, Government of Kerala, 'Vanalakshmi', 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram, PIN- 695014, Kerala.
3. APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF (HoFF), Forest Department, Government of Kerala, 'Vanalakshmi', 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala-695014.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.