

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
New Delhi – 110003

Dated: 12th July, 2022

Meeting Notice

Sub: Proposal for Regularization of 1970.041 ha. of forest land under Section 2 of forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in Pathanamthitta District of Kerala- Reg.

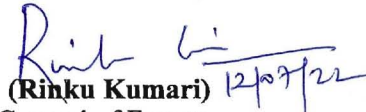
I am directed to refer to the APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA)'s letter no. FC2-12455/2016 dated 17.06.2022 forwarding the additional information wrt the above-mentioned subject proposal and to inform that it has been decided to schedule a meeting through Video Conferencing with Nodal Officer (FCA), Kerala on **13.07.2022 from 03:00 PM** onwards under the chairmanship of IGF(FC) to discuss the issue related to the instant proposal.

2. In view of above, the Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of Kerala is requested to give a brief presentation on the issue as listed below:-

- i. The State Govt. has identified both NFL and DFL for the purpose of CA. They have identified 1994 ha of NFL which was notified as Kurinjimala Sanctuary in the year 2006 in accounts for the loss of 'land by land' as per pan 2.1 of the Handbook o guidelines issued by this Ministry. But the State Govt. has not forwarded the KML files of 1994 ha of NFL identified in Kurinjimala Sanctuary.
- ii. The State Govt. has also identified DFL of an area 1994 ha in Ranni, Konni and Punalur Forest Division for planting trees. But the State Govt. has only forwarded KML files of 1333.81 ha instead of 1994 ha. And as per the DSS analysis of 1333.81 ha of DFL identified 1034 ha is MDF.
- iii. Moreover the IRO in their Site Inspection report has mentioned that 65 plantations that are identified as degraded forest area may be revisited, the present condition of the plantation and canopy cover may be reassessed and those plantations where canopy density is more than 40 per cent may be excluded from the list of degraded forest areas proposed for afforestation and new areas which are more degraded (anywhere in Kerala) may be identified for the purpose of planting.

3. The VC link of the above-mentioned meeting will be forwarded through email at the earliest.

Yours faithfully


(Rinku Kumari) 12/07/22

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

To,
The Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

Copy To:

1. The Principal Secretary (Forest), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. The PCCF(HoFF), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bengaluru.
4. The Director, NIC, MoEF&CC, New Delhi-for making necessary arrangement for Video Conferencing
5. User Agency.
6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.