

**F. No. 8-22/2019-FC**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

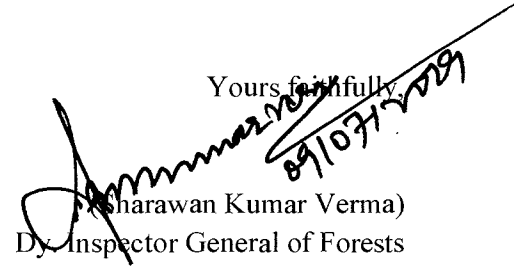
To,  
The Deputy Director General (Central),  
Regional Office,  
Bangalore.

**Sub: Diversion of 57.02 ha of reserve forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the purpose of Elephant Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre at Kottoor in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala-reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Govt. of Kerala's letter No. C2/73/2019/F&WLD dated 03.07.2019 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to request that the Regional Office, Bangalore of this Ministry may kindly carry out the site inspection of proposed forest land for diversion and submit a detailed report to this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

  
Sharawan Kumar Verma)  
Dy. Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. Pr. Secretary (Forests), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF (HoFF), Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.