

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

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**Dated:24th November, 2022**

**To**

**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Department of Forests and Wildlife,  
Government of Kerala,  
Thiruvananthapuram.

**Sub: Diversion of forest land for extension of lease of 94.98 ha. for setting up of experimental farm at Peruvannamuzhy Range in Kozhikode District by Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR). -regarding.**

Madam/Sir

I am directed to refer to Government of Kerala's letter No.FWLD-C2/148/2021-FWLD dated 31.10.2022 forwarding the additional information in response to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 19.12.2019 and 27.05.2022. After examination of the additional information the following shortcomings have been observed:-

- i. The State Govt. may identify the CA sites as per applicable guidelines in case of instant project and submit the approved CA scheme along with the site suitability certificate, KML/shape file and DGPS maps of the identified CA areas.
- ii. The State Govt was asked to inform whether NPV was imposed/realized from the user agency earlier or not. However the reply to the same is still awaited.
- iii. As per DSS report, a part of the lease area falls within the Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary, whereas the State Govt. has informed that the area is outside the Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary (only the adjoining areas are part of the wildlife sanctuary). In this regard the State govt. is requested to submit the updated KML file of boundaries of Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary along with the notification for further examination in the Ministry.

In view of the above, the State Govt. is requested to submit/upload the above information/documents to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

**Sd/-**  
**(Suneet Bhardwaj)**  
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. The PCCF & HoFF, Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Dept., Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bangalore .
4. The User Agency.
5. The Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.