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To

The Principal Secretary to Government,  
Government of Kerala, Forests & Wildlife (C) Department,  
Secretariat,  
Thiruvananthapuram,  
Kerala, PIN - 695 001.

Subject:- Diversion of 0.7945 ha of forest land for laying 220 KV Double Circuit line from Thottiyar Hydro Electric Power House to 220 KV L.P. Madakkathara line for evacuating of power from Thottiyar Hydro Electric Project - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government's letter No. C3/194/2021/F&WLD dated 04.10.2021 and APCCF, Nodal Officer(FCA), Kerala letter No.FC2-27267/2018 dated 5.11.2021 on the above subject. In this regard, it is informed that the above proposal was considered by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its meeting held on 23.11.2021 and REC requested the State Government to furnish the following details for further consideration of the proposal:-

- Whether the existing 66 KV line can be upgraded to 220 KV for evacuation of the power from the Hydel project. If so, what will be extent of forest area required for upgrading the transmission line as well as the substation. If not, the reasons for the same.
- Possibility of laying an underground 220 KV line either completely or partially.
- Measures proposed to be taken by the User Agency to address the issues that may arise due to laying of overhead high power transmission line over the houses constructed by the occupants of the forest land proposed for diversion.

Yours faithfully,

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(B.N. Anjan Kumar)

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Copy to:-

- The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Kerala, 'Vanalakshmi', 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 014.
- Kerala State Electricity Board Ltd., Project Manager, Thottiyar Hydro Electric Project, Karimanal, Thattekkanni. P.O, Idukki District - 685606

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30/11/2021