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ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE  
& FOREST(FR.10) DEPARTMENT,  
SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI 9.

Letter No: 5328/FR.10/2022 – 3, dated: 06.03.2023

From  
Tmt.Supriya Sahu, IAS.,  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

To  
✓ The Assistant Inspector General of Forest (Central),  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,  
Integrated Regional Office,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Additional Office Block for GPOA,  
Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006. (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Srivilliputhur  
Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai circle – Theni Forest  
Division – Diversion of 0.018 ha. of forest land in Suranganar  
Reserved Forest for the construction of Kumuly border Police  
check post at Kumuly in Theni District – Additional particulars  
called for - Regarding.

- Ref: 1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Department) Letter No.TS4/32117/2016, dated  
22.02.2022.  
2. Government letter No.5328/FR.10/2022-1, dated 5.05.2022.  
3. From the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),  
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and  
Climate Change, Chennai Letter F.No.4-TNB 087/2022-  
CHN/568, dated 31.05.2022.  
4. Government letter No. 5328/FR.10/2022-2, dated  
18.08.2022.  
5. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No.  
TS4/32117/2016, dated 01.02.2023.

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I am directed to forward a copy of the reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited along with its  
enclosures, wherein the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has furnished the  
information / documents for the queries raised in your letter 3<sup>rd</sup> cited.

2. I am therefore to request you to kindly obtain the concurrence of the  
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and  
communicate the same to this Government, early.

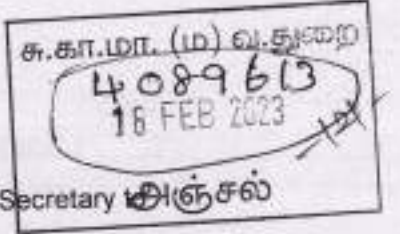
Yours faithfully,

for Additional Chief Secretary to Government

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TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT



From  
Subrat Mohabatra, I.F.S.  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force),  
Forest Headquarters Building,  
Guindy Velachery Main road,  
Near Kannikapuram Checkpost,  
Guindy, Chennai - 600 032.

To  
The Additional Chief Secretary  
Government,  
Environment Climate Change and  
Forests Department, Secretariat,  
Chennai 9.

Madam,

C. No. TS4/ 32117/2016, Dated: 01.02.2023

Sub: Forest – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – SMTR, Madurai circle – Theni Forest Division – Proposal for the diversion of 0.018ha for the construction of Kumuly border Police check post at Kumuly in Theni District, Suranganar Reserved Forests, Cumbum West Range– online proposal submission by the User Agency – Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Online application uploaded by the Use Agency Superintendent of Police, District Police office, Theni dated: 04.10.2016. (FP/TN/Others/21594/2016).
  2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, Ref.No. TS4/32117/2016, dt.22.02.2022
  3. Government of India, Minister of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional office, F.No.4-TNB 087/2022-CHN/568, dt.31.05.2022
  4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, Ref.No. TS4/32117/2016, dt.10.10.2022
  5. District Forest Officer, Theni. C.No. D/7126/2016, dt. 28.11.2022
  6. Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai. Ref.No. 2484/ 2020/ D1, dt.15.12.2022
  7. PCCF& CWLW,Chennai-32 Lr.No: WL5/1662/2023 dated 30.01.2023

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I wish to state that, the District Forest Officer, Theni & Conservator of Forest & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai have furnished their replies in the references 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> cited for the queries raised by the Government of India vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited.

The replies to the queries are as follows.

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1.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities is enclosed herewith.
2	The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary and the project site. If Eco Sensitive Zone is zero, clarification regarding implications of the recent Supreme Court Judgement should be provided.	<p>The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary is enclosed herewith.</p> <p>As per the recent Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgement dated 03.06.2022, it was directed that each protected forest, that is National Park or Wildlife Sanctuary must have an ESZ of minimum one kilometer measured from the demarcated boundary of such protected forest in which the activities prescribed and prescribed in the Guidelines of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2011 shall be strictly adhered to. The proposed check post lies at 20m from the boundary of Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve Madurai. Since the proposed Police Check Post being a requirement under security of the state and the proposed point being Tamil Nadu and Kerala State boundary and as Kumily town has many buildings by the side of the road, this may be considered. This is not a prohibited activity in ESZ</p>

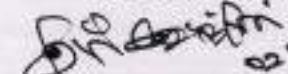
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S.No.	Query Raised	Reply.
		notification of Magamalai Wildlife sanctuary. The PCCF& CWLW has also permitted this work in the reference 7 <sup>th</sup> cited.(copy enclosed.)
3.	Action taken for obtaining the permission from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for removal of 1 No. of spontaneous growth of Bamboo clump.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking for not felling one number of spontaneous growth of Bamboo Clump (Copy Enclosed).
4.	If any permission for the temporary structure located in the forest area has been obtained. If so, furnish the details with documents, if not it is a violation and action taken for the violation may be reported.	The DFO, Theni in his letter dated 28.11.2022 has stated that the temporary police check post located in the forest area was established prior to enactment of the Forest Conservation Act 1980. The police check post is found in the survey of India topo-sheet No. 58 G/2- year 1976-77.

I request that the proposal may kindly be considered and necessary approval may please be obtained from the Government of India for diversion of 0.018ha forest land for the construction of Kumuly border Police check post at Kumuly in Suranganar Reserved Forests of Theni Forest Division, Theni District for a period of twenty years.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

  
 for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
 (Head of Forest Force)  
 02/02/2023



By (E-Mail (Scanned copy)/Courier)

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From  
Tmt.R.Padmawathe, I.F.S.,  
Conservator of Forests and  
Field Director  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger  
Reserve, Madurai -2

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
(Head of Forest Force),  
Chennai-32

Ref.No.2484/2020/D1, Dated: 15.12.2022.

Sir,

Sub: Forest - Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Madurai Circle / Theni Forests Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.018 Ha of forest land construction of Kumily border Police Check Post at Kumily in Theni District, Suranganar Reserved Forest, Cumbum west Range of Theni Forest Division, Theni - Additional details submission - Reg.

- Ref: 1. Government of India, Minister of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional office, P.No.4-TNE 087/2022-CHN/568, dt.31.05.2022
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, Ref.No. TS4/32117/2016, dt.10.10.2022
3. Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai. Ref.No.2484/2020/D1, dt.20.10.2022
4. District Forest Officer, Theni. C.No. D/7126/2016, dt.28.11.2022

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With reference to the above subject, I submit that the additional details called for by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup>. The details received from the District Forest Officer, Theni as follows:-

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1.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities is enclosed herewith.

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2.	<p>The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary and the project site. If Eco Sensitive Zone is zero, clarification regarding implications of the recent Supreme Court Judgement should be provided.</p>	<p>The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary is enclosed herewith.</p> <p>As per the recent Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgement dated 03.06.2022, it was directed that each protected forest, that is national park or wildlife sanctuary must have an ESZ of minimum one kilometer measured from the demarcated boundary of such protected forest in which the activities prescribed and prescribed in the Guidelines of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2011 shall be strictly adhered to. The proposed check post lies at 20m from the boundary of Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve.</p> <p>Since the proposed Police Check Post being a requirement under security of the state and the proposed point being Tamil Nadu and Kerala State boundary and as Kumily town has many buildings by the side of the road, this may be considered. This is not a prohibited activity in ESZ notification of Magamalai Wildlife sanctuary.</p>
3.	<p>Action taken for obtaining the permission from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for removal of 1 No. of spontaneous growth of Bamboo clump.</p>	<p>The User Agency has submitted the undertaking for not felling 1No. of spontaneous growth of Bamboo Clump vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited (Copy Enclosed).</p>



S.No.	Query Raised	Reply.
4.	If any permission for the temporary structure located in the forest area has been obtained. If so, furnish the details with documents, if not it is a violation and action taken for the violation may be reported.	The police check post is found in the survey of India toposheet No. 58 G/2- year 1976-77.

Therefore, the details are enclosed herewith for kind perusal.

Encl: As stated above

Yours sincerely,  
Sd/R.Padmawathe,  
Conservator of Forests and Field Director,  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve,  
Madurai

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Theni

/T.C.B.O/

R. Sivani Reddy  
Senior Draughting Officer  
15/12/22

15/12/22

**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From  
**Thiru. J.R. Samartha, I.F.S.,**  
District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division,  
Theni.

To  
**The Principal**  
**Chief Conservator of Forestes,**  
(Head of Department)  
Panagal Building, Saidapet,  
Chennai - 15  
(Through Conservator of Forests &  
**Field Director, SMTR, Madurai)**

C.No. 7126/2016/D dated 28/11/2022

Sir,

Sub:- Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Madurai Circle / Theni Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of ~~0.018 ha~~ of forest land for Construction of Kumily Border Police Check Post at Kumily in Theni District, Suranganar Reserved Forest, Cumbum West Range of Theni Forest Division, Theni - Additional Details Submission - Regarding.

- Ref- 1) Government of India, Minister of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, F.No. 4-TNB 087/2022-CHN/568 dated 31.05.2022
- 2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, C.No. TS4/32117/ 2016 Dt:31.05.2022 & 10.10.2022
- 3) Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Madurai, Emdt.No:2484/2020/ D1 Dt:02.12.2021 & 19.09.2022
- 4) The District Forest Officer, Theni Forest Division, Theni C.No. 7126/2016/D dated 25.07.2022
- 5) The User Agency letter C.No. B1/38062/2013 dated 15.11.2022

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With reference to the above subject, I submit that the details as called for in the above reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited is as follows,

S.No.	Query Raised	Reply.
1.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities.	Copy of notification on Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary dated 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 with the list of regulated activities is enclosed herewith.

S.No.	Query Raised	Reply.
2.	<p>The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary and the project site. If Eco Sensitive Zone is zero, clarification regarding implications of the recent Supreme Court Judgement should be provided.</p>	<p>The approved Eco Sensitive zone for Megamalai Wildlife Division notification along with map duly marking the Eco Sensitive Zone boundary is enclosed herewith.</p> <p>The Eco-Sensitive Zone is zero in the project site and the distance between the project site and the SMTR, Megamalai boundary is 20m.</p> <p>As per the recent Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgement dated 03.06.2022, it was directed that each protected forest, that is national park or wildlife sanctuary must have an ESZ of minimum one kilometer measured from the demarcated boundary of such protected forest in which the activities prescribed and prescribed in the Guidelines of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2011 shall be strictly adhered to.</p> <p>Since the proposed Police Check Post being a requirement under security of the state and the proposed point being Tamil Nadu and Kerala State boundary and as Kumily town has many buildings by the side of the road already. Hence, the proposal for Construction of Check Post for Tamil Nadu Police may be considered.</p>
3.	<p>Action taken for obtaining the permission from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for removal of 1 No. of spontaneous growth of Bamboo clump.</p>	<p>The User Agency has submitted the undertaking for not felling 1No. of spontaneous growth of Bamboo Clump vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited (Copy Enclosed).</p>

S.No.	Query Raised	Reply
4.	If any permission for the temporary structure located in the forest area has been obtained. If so, furnish the details with documents, if not it is a violation and action taken for the violation may be reported.	The temporary police check post structure located in the forest area was established prior to enactment of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This is for favour of kind information.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/- J.R. Samartha,  
District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division, Theni.

Copy submitted to the Conservator of Forests & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai for Kind information.

/t.c.b.o./

*G. S. M. M. M.*  
Superintendent 20/11/2024

5. ईआईए अधिसूचना, 2006 के अधीन आने वाली क्रियाकलापों की संवीक्षा के मामलों का सारांश ईआईए के अधीन न आने वाली क्रियाकलापों की संवीक्षा के मामलों का सारांश।
6. नदियों को उपबन्ध के रूप में संलक्ष किया जा सकता है।
7. पर्यावरण (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1986 की धारा 19 के अधीन वर्ज की गई शिकायतों का सारांश।
8. महत्ता का कोई अन्य विषय।

## MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 31st March, 2016

**SO. 1276(E)**—The following draft of the notification, which the Central Government proposes to issue in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1), read with clause (v) and clause (xiv) of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) is hereby published, as required under sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, for the information of the public likely to be affected thereby; and notice is hereby given that the said draft notification shall be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing this notification are made available to the public:

Any person interested in making any objections or suggestions on the proposals contained in the draft notification may forward the same in writing, for consideration of the Central Government within the period so specified to the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110003, or send it to the e-mail address of the Ministry at [es2-mef@nic.in](mailto:es2-mef@nic.in).

#### Draft Notification

Whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve is one of the oldest protected areas in Kerala situated between latitudes 9° 17' 36.04" and 9° 37' 10.2" N and longitudes 76° 56' 12.12" and 77° 25' 5.52" E in Idukki, Kottayam and Pathanamthitta Districts of Kerala;

And whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve is spread over an area of 925 square kilometres of which 851 square kilometres are critical tiger habitat and 44 square kilometres are buffer zone;

And whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve situated in the Cardamom Hills and Pandalam Hills of the Southern Western Ghats forms the catchment of River Periyar and River Pamba;

And whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve harbours diverse array of rare, endangered and endemic biodiversity, including 66 species of mammals, 323 bird species, 48 reptile species, 29 amphibian species, 45 fish species, 167 ornithery species, 30 odonate species and nearly 2000 species of flowering plants;

And whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve one of the few protected area in India where the core area of the Tiger Reserve is completely inviolate this has been achieved with the active participation and cooperation of the local populace;

And whereas, the Periyar Tiger Reserve is also unique in having two sites of religious importance within its boundaries, the Mangaladevi temple which is open to the public only one day in a year, i.e. on Chitra Pournami, and the Sabarimala temple which attracts lakhs of pilgrims every year;

And whereas, in the year 2004, the Periyar Foundation was formed as an independent trust for supporting the Periyar Tiger Reserve management and for managing the eco-tourism activities and supporting research on various aspects of the Reserve, including biodiversity, socio-economic and livelihood issues and improving management practices and the success of the Foundation prompted an amendment to the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, (53 of 1972) which made mandatory for the formation of similar 'Foundations' in every Tiger Reserve in the country.

And whereas, it is necessary to conserve and protect the area, the extent and boundaries of which are specified in paragraph 1 of this notification around the protected area of Periyar Tiger Reserve as Eco-sensitive Zone from ecological and environmental point of view and to prohibit industries or class of industries and their operations and processes in the said Eco-sensitive Zone;

Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clauses (v) and (xv) of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act 1986 (29 of 1986) read with sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby notifies an area up to an extent of two kilometres around the boundary of Periyar Tiger Reserve in the State of Kerala as the Periyar Tiger Reserve Eco-sensitive Zone (herein after referred to as the Eco-sensitive Zone) details of which are as under, namely:-

**1. Extent and boundaries of Eco-sensitive Zone.**—(1) The extent of Eco-Sensitive Zone is up to two kilometres around the boundary of Periyar Tiger Reserve and is spread over an area of 255.24 square kilometre and the description of the boundary are appended as Annexure-I.

(2) The map of the Eco-sensitive Zone along with co-ordinates of prominent points is appended as Annexure II

(3) The Eco-sensitive Zone covers eight revenue villages. The list of the villages falling within the Eco-sensitive Zone is appended as Annexure III.

**2. Zonal Master Plan for the Eco-sensitive Zone.**—(1) The State Government shall, for the purpose of the Eco-sensitive Zone prepare, a Zonal Master Plan, within a period of two years from the date of publication of the final notification in the Official Gazette, in consultation with local people and adhering to the stipulations given in this notification.

(2) The said Plan shall be approved by the competent authority in the State Government.

(3) The Zonal Master Plan for the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be prepared by the State Government in such manner as specified in this notification and also in consonance with the relevant Central and State laws and the guidelines issued by the Central Government, if any.

(4) The Zonal Master Plan shall be prepared in consultation with all concerned State Departments, namely:-

- (i) Environment,
- (ii) Forest,
- (iii) Urban Development,
- (iv) Tourism,
- (v) Municipal,
- (vi) Revenue,
- (vii) Agriculture,
- (viii) State Pollution Control Board,
- (ix) Irrigation, and
- (x) Public Works Department,

for integrating environmental and ecological considerations into it.

(5) The Master Plan shall not impose any restriction on the approved existing land use, infrastructure and activities, unless so specified in this notification and the Zonal Master Plan shall factor in improvement of all infrastructure and activities to be more efficient and eco-friendly.

(6) The Zonal Master plan shall provide for restoration of denuded areas, conservation of existing water bodies, management of catchment areas, watershed management, groundwater management, soil and moisture conservation, needs of local community and such other aspects of the ecology and environment that need attention.

(7) The Zonal Master Plan shall demarcate all the existing worshipping places, village and urban settlements, types and kinds of forests, agricultural areas, fertile lands, green area, such as, parks and like places, horticultural areas, orchards, lakes and other water bodies.

(8) The Zonal Master Plan shall regulate development in Eco-sensitive Zone as to ensure eco-friendly development for livelihood security of local communities.

(9) As the buffer zone of the Tiger Reserve is part of the Eco-sensitive Zone, the Tiger Conservation plan relating to the buffer zone shall also be taken into consideration during preparation of the Zonal Master Plan.

(10) Adequate publicity shall be given to the provisions of the Zonal Master Plan.

**3. Measures to be taken by State Government.**—The State Government shall take the following measures for giving effect to the provisions of this notification, namely:-

(1) Land use.—Forests, horticulture areas, agricultural areas, parks and open spaces earmarked for recreational purposes in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall not be used or converted into areas for commercial or industrial related development activities.

Provided that the conversion of agricultural lands within the Eco-sensitive Zone may be permitted on the recommendation of the Monitoring Committee, and with the prior approval of the State Government, to meet the residential needs of local residents, and for the activities listed against serial numbers 13, 18, 24, 30 and 33 in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 4, namely:—

- (i) Eco-friendly cottages for temporary occupation of tourists, such as tents, wooden houses, etc. for eco-friendly tourism activities,
- (ii) Widening and strengthening of existing roads,
- (iii) Small scale industries not causing pollution,
- (iv) Rainwater harvesting, and
- (v) Cottage industries including village industries, convenience stores and local amenities.

Provided further that no use of tribal land shall be permitted for commercial and industrial development activities without the prior approval of the State Government and without compliance of the provisions of article 244 of the Constitution or the law for the time being in force, including the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (2 of 2007);

Provided also that any error appearing in the land records within the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be corrected by the State Government, after obtaining the views of Monitoring Committee, once in each case and the correction of said error shall be intimated to the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Provided also that the above correction of error shall not include change of land use in any case except as provided under this sub-paragraph.

Provided also that there shall be no consequential reduction in green area, such as forest area and agricultural area and efforts shall be made to reform the unused or unproductive agricultural areas.

(2) Natural springs.—The catchment areas of all natural springs shall be identified and plans for their conservation and rejuvenation shall be incorporated in the Zonal Master Plan and the guidelines shall be drawn up by the State Government in such a manner as to prohibit development activities at or near these areas which are detrimental to such areas.

(3) Tourism.—(a) The activity relating to tourism within the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be as per Tourism Master Plan, which shall form part of the Zonal Master Plan.

(b) The Tourism Master Plan shall be prepared by Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala in consultation with Department of Revenue and Forests, Government of Kerala.

(c) The activity of tourism shall be regulated as under, namely:—

(i) all new tourism activities or expansion of existing tourism activities within the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and the eco-tourism guidelines issued by National Tiger Conservation Authority, (as amended from time to time) with emphasis on eco-tourism, eco-education and eco-development and based on carrying capacity study of the Eco-sensitive Zone;

(ii) No new commercial hotels and resorts shall be permitted, within one kilometer of the boundary of the Protected Area or the extent of Eco-sensitive Zone whichever is nearer, except for accommodation for temporary occupation of tourists related to eco-friendly tourism activities.

Provided that extension of existing establishments may be allowed in accordance with the Zonal Master Plan.

However, where Eco-sensitive Zone extends beyond one kilometer, then beyond one kilometer and up to the extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone, all new tourism activities or expansions of existing activities would be conformity with Tourism Master Plan and National Tiger Conservation Authority guidelines.

(iii) till the Zonal Master Plan is approved, development for tourism and expansion of existing tourism activities shall be permitted by the concerned regulatory authorities based on the actual site specific strategy and recommendation of the Monitoring Committee.

(4) Natural heritage.—All sites of valuable natural heritage in the Eco-sensitive Zone, such as the gene pool reserve areas, rock formations, waterfalls, springs, gorges, groves, caves, ponds, walks, rides, cliffs, etc. shall be identified and

preserved and plan shall be drawn up for their protection and conservation, within six months from the date of publication of this notification and such plan shall form part of the Zonal Master Plan.

(5) **Man-made heritage sites.**—Buildings, structures, artefacts, areas and precincts of historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural significance shall be identified in the Eco-sensitive Zone and plans for their conservation shall be prepared within six months from the date of publication of this notification and incorporated in the Zonal Master Plan.

(6) **Noise pollution.**—The Environment Department of the State Government shall draw up guidelines and regulations for the control of noise pollution in the Eco-sensitive Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981) and the rules made thereunder.

(7) **Air pollution.**—The Environment Department of the State Government shall draw up guidelines and regulations for the control of air pollution in the Eco-sensitive Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981) and the rules made thereunder.

(8) **Discharge of effluents.**—The discharge of treated effluent in Eco-sensitive Zone shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (6 of 1974) and the rules made thereunder.

(9) **Solid wastes.** - Disposal of solid wastes shall be as under:-

(i) the solid waste disposal in Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out as per the provisions of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 published by the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forest vide notification number S.O. 908 (E), dated the 25th September 2000 as amended from time to time;

(ii) the local authorities shall draw up plans for the segregation of solid wastes into biodegradable and non-biodegradable components;

(iii) the biodegradable material shall be recycled preferably through composting or vermiculture;

(iv) The inorganic material may be disposed in an environmental acceptable manner at site identified outside the Eco-sensitive Zone and no burning or incineration of solid wastes shall be permitted in the Eco-sensitive Zone.

(10) **Bio-medical waste.**—The bio-medical waste disposal in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out as per the provisions of the Bio-Medical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1998 published by the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forest vide notification number S.O. 630(E), dated the 20th July, 1998 as amended from time to time.

(11) **Vehicular traffic.** - The vehicular movement of traffic shall be regulated in a habitat friendly manner and specific provisions in this regard shall be incorporated in the Zonal Master Plan and till such time as the Zonal master plan is prepared and approved by the Competent Authority in the State government, the Monitoring Committee shall ensure compliance of vehicular movement under the relevant Acts and the rules and regulations made thereunder.

(12) **Industrial units.**—(a) No establishment of new wood based industries within the proposed Eco-sensitive Zone shall be permitted except the existing wood based industries set up as per the law.

(b) No establishment of any new industry causing water, air, soil, noise pollution within the proposed Eco-sensitive Zone shall be permitted.

4. List of activities prohibited or to be regulated within the Eco-sensitive Zone.—All activities in the Eco sensitive Zone shall be governed by the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) and the rules made thereunder, and be regulated in the manner specified in the table below, namely:-

TABLE

S.No.	Activity	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
<b>Prohibited activities:</b>		
1.	Commercial mining, stone quarrying and crushing units.	(a) New and existing mining (minor and major minerals), stone quarrying and crushing units shall be prohibited except for the domestic needs of bona fide local residents with reference to digging of earth for



		<p>construction or repair of houses and for manufacture of country tiles or bricks for housing for personal consumption.</p> <p>(b) The mining operations shall strictly be in accordance with the interim order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated the 4th August, 2006 in the matter of I.N. Godavarman Thirumulpad Vs. Union of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202 of 1995 and order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated the 21st April, 2014 in the matter of Goa Foundation Vs. Union of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No.435 of 2012.</p>
2.	Setting up of saw mills.	No new or expansion of existing saw mills shall be permitted within the Eco-sensitive Zone.
3.	Setting up of industries causing water or air or soil or noise pollution, setting up of hide based industries.	No new or expansion of polluting industries in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be permitted.
4.	Commercial use of firewood.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws. Permitted for bonafide use of tribals.
5.	Establishment of new major hydroelectric projects and irrigation projects.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
6.	Use or production of any hazardous substances.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
7.	Discharge of untreated effluents and solid waste in natural water bodies or land area.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
8.	Undertaking activities related to tourism like over-flying the National Park Area by aircraft, hot-air balloons.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
9.	New wood based industry.	Establishment of new wood based industry shall not be permitted within the limits of Eco-sensitive Zone. Provided the existing wood-based industry may continue as per law.
10.	Commercial water resources including ground water harvesting.	(a) Extraction of surface water and ground water for industrial or commercial use including for commercial mineral water plants and aerated drinks, bottling plants shall not be permitted in the Eco-sensitive Zone. (b) The extraction of surface water and ground water shall be permitted only for bono fide agricultural use and domestic consumption of the occupier of the land. (c) no sale of surface water or ground water shall be permitted. (d) steps shall be taken to prevent contamination or pollution of water from any source including agriculture.
11.	Dumping of solid wastes/plastic wastes /chemical wastes in the river and the land area.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
12.	Setting up of industries producing chemicals, industries manufacturing explosives.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.

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Regulated activities:		
13.	Establishment of hotels and resorts.	<p>No new commercial hotels and resorts shall be permitted, within one kilometer of the boundary of the Protected Area or the extent of Eco-sensitive Zone whichever is nearer, except for accommodation for temporary occupation of tourists related to eco-friendly tourism activities.</p> <p>Provided that extension of existing establishments may be allowed in accordance with the Zonal Master Plan.</p> <p>However, where Eco-sensitive Zone extends beyond one kilometer, then beyond one kilometer and up to the extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone, all new tourism activities or expansions of existing activities would be conformity with Tourism Master Plan and National Tiger Conservation Authority guidelines.</p>
14.	Construction activities.	<p>(a) No new commercial construction of any kind shall be permitted, within one kilometer of the boundary of the Protected Area or the extent of Eco-sensitive Zone whichever is nearer.</p> <p>Provided that local people shall be permitted to undertake construction in their land for residential use including the activities listed in sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3. (b) The construction activity related to small scale industries not causing pollution shall be permitted as per applicable rules and regulations, if any.</p> <p>with the prior permission from the competent authority.</p> <p>(c) However, where Eco-sensitive Zone extends beyond one kilometer, then beyond one kilometer and upto the extent of Eco-sensitive Zone, construction for bona fide local needs shall be permitted and other commercial construction activities shall be in conformity with the Zonal Master Plan.</p> <p>(c) construction activity in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be as per Zonal Master Plan</p>
15.	Felling of trees.	<p>(a) There shall be no felling of trees on the forest or Government or revenue or private lands without prior permission of the competent authority in the State Government.</p> <p>(b) the felling of trees shall be regulated in accordance with the provisions of the concerned Central or State Act and the rules made thereunder.</p> <p>(c) In case of Reserve Forests and Protected Forests the Working Plan prescriptions shall be followed.</p>
16.	Erection of electrical cables and telecommunication towers.	Promote underground cabling
17.	Fencing of existing premises of hotels and lodges.	Regulated under applicable laws.
18.	Widening and strengthening of existing roads.	Shall be done with proper Environment Impact Assessment and mitigation measures, as applicable.
19.	Movement of vehicular traffic at night.	Regulated for commercial purpose, under applicable laws.

20.	Introduction of exotic species.	Regulated for commercial purpose, under applicable laws.
21.	Protection of hill slopes and river banks.	Regulated for commercial purpose, under applicable laws.
22.	Discharge of treated effluents in natural water bodies or land area.	Recycling of treated effluent shall be encouraged and for disposal of sludge or solid wastes, the existing regulations shall be followed.
23.	Commercial Sign boards and hoardings.	Regulated under applicable laws.
24.	Small scale industries not causing pollution.	Non polluting, non-hazardous, small-scale and service industry, agriculture, floriculture, horticulture or agro-based industry producing products from indigenous goods from the Eco-sensitive Zone, and which do not cause any adverse impact on environment shall be permitted.
25.	Collection of Forest produce or Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP).	Regulated under applicable laws.
26.	Air and vehicular pollution.	Regulated under applicable laws.
27.	Use of polythene-bags by shopkeepers	Regulated under applicable laws.
28.	Drastic change of agriculture systems.	Regulated under applicable laws.
<b>Promoted activities:</b>		
29.	Ongoing agriculture and horticulture practices by local communities along with dairies, dairy farming and fisheries.	Permitted under applicable laws.
30.	Rain water harvesting.	Shall be actively promoted.
31.	Organic farming.	Shall be actively promoted.
32.	Adoption of green technology for all activities.	Shall be actively promoted.
33.	Cottage industries including village artisans, etc.	Shall be actively promoted.
34.	Use of renewable energy sources.	Bio gas, solar light etc to be promoted.

**5. Monitoring Committee.**—(1) The Central Government hereby constitutes a Monitoring Committee, for effective monitoring of the Eco-sensitive Zone, which shall comprise of the following namely:

- (i) The District Collector, Idukki —Chairman.
- (ii) Representative of the District Collector, Kottayam —Member.
- (iii) Representative of the District Collector, Pathanamthitta —Member.
- (iv) The Member of Legislative Assembly, Ponnada —Member.  
(Subject to the State Government of Kerala obtaining relevant approvals *inter alia* including permission from the Speaker of Legislative Assembly, Kerala, if required)
- (v) The Member of Legislative Assembly, Ranni —Member.  
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| (vi)   | The Member of Legislative Assembly, Kanjirappally<br>(Subject to the State Government of Kerala obtaining relevant approvals <i>inter alia</i> including permission from the Speaker of Legislative Assembly, Kerala, if required) | -Member; |
| (vii)  | President, District Panchayat, Idukki  | -Member; |
| (viii) | President, District Panchayat, Pathanamthitta  | -Member; |
| (ix)   | President, District Panchayat, Kottayam  | -Member; |
| (x)    | One representative of Non-Governmental Organisation working in the field of environment to be nominated by the Government of Kerala for a term of one year in each case  | -Member; |
| (xi)   | one expert in the area of ecology and environment from a reputed institution of University in the State to be nominated by the Government of Kerala for a term of one year in each case  | -Member; |
| (xii)  | Kerala Pollution Control Board, District Officer, Idukki -   | -Member; |
| (xiii) | Kerala Pollution Control Board, District Officer, Pathanamthitta -   | -Member; |
| (xiv)  | Kerala Pollution Control Board, District Officer, Kottayam -   | -Member; |
| (xv)   | Deputy Director Periyar East Division - Member-Secretary.  |          |
6. **Terms of Reference.**—(1) The Monitoring Committee shall monitor the compliance of the provisions of this notification.
- (2) The activities that are covered in the Schedule to the notification of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forest number S.O. 1533(E), dated the 14th September, 2006, and are falling in the Eco-sensitive Zone, except the prohibited activities as specified in column (3) of the Table under paragraph 4 thereof, shall be scrutinized by the Monitoring Committee based on the actual site-specific conditions and referred to the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for prior environmental clearances under the provisions of the said notification.
- (3) The activities that are not covered in the schedule to the notification of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forest number S.O. 1533(E), dated the 14th September, 2006 but are falling in the Eco-sensitive Zone, except the prohibited activities as specified in column (3) of the Table under paragraph 4 thereof, shall be scrutinized by the Monitoring Committee based on the actual site-specific conditions and referred to the concerned regulatory authorities.
- (4) The Member-Secretary of the Monitoring Committee or the concerned Collector or the concerned park in-charge shall be competent to file complaints under section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 against any person who contravenes the provisions of this notification.
- (5) The Monitoring Committee may invite representatives or experts from concerned Departments, representatives from industry associations or concerned stakeholders to assist in its deliberations depending on the requirements on issue to issue basis.
- (6) The Monitoring Committee shall submit the annual action taken report of its activities as on 31st March of every year by 30th June of that year to the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change as per proforma given in Annexure IV.
- (7) The Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may give such directions, as it deems fit, to the Monitoring Committee for effective discharge of its functions.
7. The Central Government and State Government may specify additional measures, if any, for giving effect to provisions of this notification.
8. The provisions of this notification shall be subject to the orders, if any, passed, or to be passed, by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India or the High Court or National Green Tribunal.

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## ANNEXURE-I

## BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF THE ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE

The boundary description of Periyar Tiger Reserve Eco-sensitive Zone is as follows:

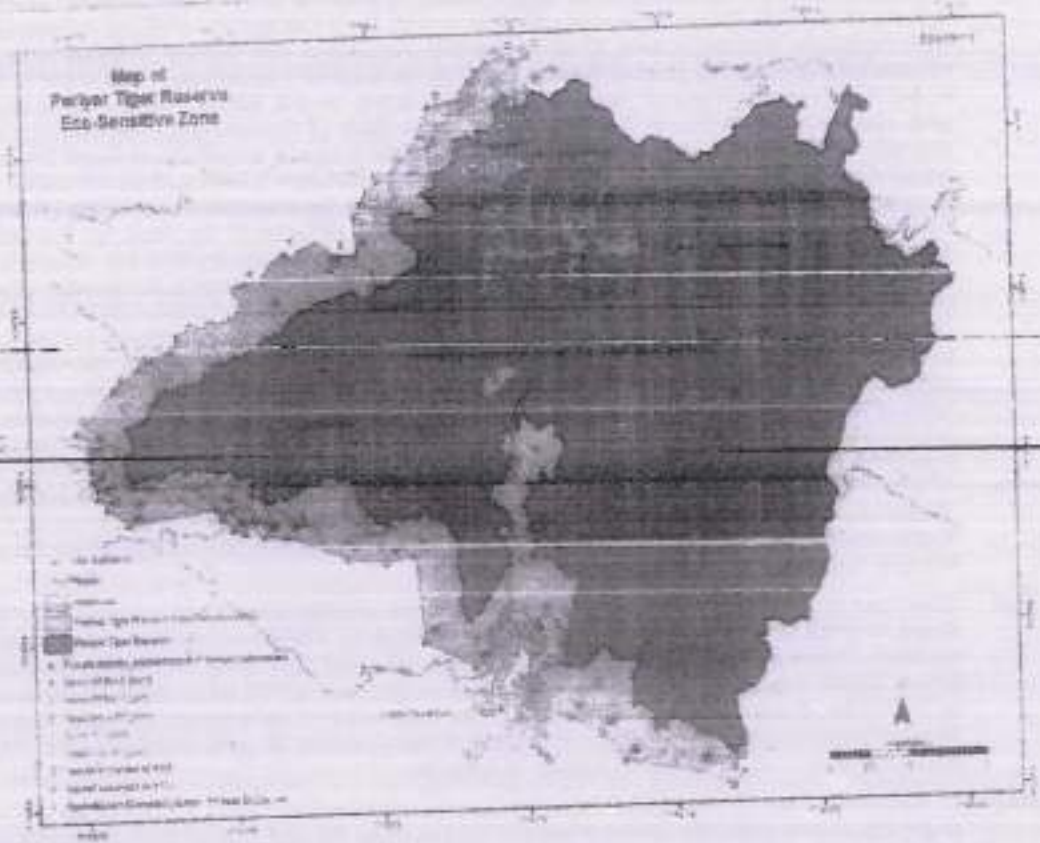
- North:** The boundary starts from a peak with the height of 489 m [Point 1] on the South of Saburi Para in Ranni RF and proceeds towards North East in a straight line to touch the peak of Gopuru Mala (554 m) [Point 2] and further proceeds towards North East up to the RF boundary on the North West of Koruthodu (at  $9^{\circ}28'27.46''$  N and  $76^{\circ}56'59.56''$  E) [Point 3]. Thence the boundary proceeds towards North-East to touch the Ranni RF boundary at  $9^{\circ}28'44.14''$  N and  $76^{\circ}57'28.29''$  E on the East [Point 4] of Manjakal Mudi. Thence the boundary proceeds towards North East in a straight line to the peak of Manjakal Mody (528 m) [Point 5] and further proceeds towards North East along the Northern Boundary of Ranni RF up to the confluence of Pazhi Ar and Azhatha Ar [Point 6]. Thence the boundary proceeds towards North East and East along the watershed line to touch the Eastern Boundary of Ranni RF at the peak with the height of 1073 m [Point 7] located on the South of Grambi estate and further proceeds towards East along the Ranni RF boundary up to a point at  $9^{\circ}31'41.69''$  N and  $77^{\circ}03'36.62''$  E [Point 8]. Thence the boundary proceeds towards East in a straight line to touch the peak with the height of 1078 m [Point 9] (located on the South of Grambi estate). The boundary thence proceeds towards East to touch the peak with the height of 1085 m located on the North of Mount Colony. The boundary thence proceeds towards North to touch the peak with the height of 1049 m [Point 11] located on the West of Kadasikadu and further proceeds towards North East up to the confluence of a stream originates from Varayattamkudi Mala and the Periyar River ( $9^{\circ}33'40.99''$  N and  $77^{\circ}04'55.50''$  E) [Point 12]. The boundary proceeds towards North in a straight line to touch the road between Vandiperiyar and Moothiyar near Mariyammam Temple at  $9^{\circ}34'16.93''$  N and  $77^{\circ}05'52.54''$  E [Point 13]. Thence the boundary proceeds towards North East in a straight line to touch the KK Road at  $9^{\circ}34'52.97''$  N and  $77^{\circ}06'31.47''$  E [Point 14] on the East of Vallardi/Kavala. The boundary thence proceeds towards North-East in a straight line towards the peak with the height of 1097 m (near Vallardi) [Point 15] and further proceeds towards East touching the points at  $9^{\circ}36'21.36''$  N and  $77^{\circ}08'13.72''$  E [Point 16] and  $9^{\circ}36'37.25''$  N and  $77^{\circ}08'18.04''$  [Point 17] on the South of Murukkadi in Murukkadi Estate. The boundary further proceeds towards North-West up to the road between Murukkadi and Kumily at  $9^{\circ}36'50.70''$  N and  $77^{\circ}08'28.37''$  E [Point 18] on the East of Murukkadi. From Point 18, the boundary thence proceeds towards North East touching the points at  $9^{\circ}37'26.08''$  N and  $77^{\circ}09'7.42''$  E [Point 19] at Attappallam,  $9^{\circ}37'34.75''$  N and  $77^{\circ}09'44.24''$  E [Point 20] located between Attappallam and Amravathi,  $9^{\circ}37'27.79''$  N and  $77^{\circ}10'06.57''$  E [Point 21] located on the eastern side of Kumily-Munnar Road in Amravathi and the boundary ends at a peak with 987 m height [Point 22] on the interstate boundary.
- East:** From Point 22 the boundary proceeds towards south along the interstate boundary up to a point ( $9^{\circ}36'30.31''$  N and  $77^{\circ}10'35.77''$  E) [Point 23] near Rosapookandam where the PTR boundary merge with the interstate boundary. Thence the boundary proceeds towards South and South West along the Northern Boundary of Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary up to a point where the Southern Boundary of PTR merge with interstate boundary at  $9^{\circ}16'15.96''$  N and  $77^{\circ}16'58.98''$  E [Point 24] near Kalli Malai on the interstate boundary. Thence the boundary proceeds towards South along the interstate boundary touching the peak with 1630 m [Point 25] and ends at a point  $9^{\circ}15'10.51''$  N and  $77^{\circ}16'58.02''$  E [Point 26].
- South and West:** From Point 26, the boundary proceeds towards west through the peaks with the height of 1373 m [Point 27], 1210 m [Point 28], 1391 m [Point 29], 1282 m [Point 30], and 1046 m [Point 31] located on the eastern side of Kakki reservoir and South of PTR in Goodrical RF. The boundary further proceeds towards North to a peak with the height of 1061 m [Point 32] located amidst the water spread area of Kakki reservoir. From Point 32 the boundary runs towards South West across the Kakki reservoir to touch the peak with the height of 1175 m [Point 33] located on the South West of Kakki Dam and further proceeds towards North West touching the peak with the height of 1070 M [Point 34] located on the South of Svarnavathil and up to Kaduve Thavalam (990 m) [Point 35]. From this point the boundary runs towards West touching the peaks of Puda Mala (890 m) [Point 36] located on the Western Boundary of Goodrical RF, Erachi Para (569 m) [Point 37], Kolla Kunnu (716 m) [Point 38] and up to a point ( $9^{\circ}23'11.00''$  N  $77^{\circ}01'03.04''$  E) [Point 39] on the Eastern Boundary of Nilakal Thavalam. The boundary thence proceeds towards North along the Eastern Boundary of Nilakal Thavalam, towards West along the Northern Boundary of Nilakal Thavalam and towards South along the Western Boundary of Nilakal Thavalam up to a point  $9^{\circ}23'19.98''$  N and  $77^{\circ}00'27.83''$  E [Point 40]. From this point the boundary run towards Northwest through the point  $9^{\circ}23'27.76''$  N and  $77^{\circ}00'01.59''$  E [Point 41] up to the road between Chalsayam and Pappally near Erumanthalam-teak plantation ( $9^{\circ}23'48.91''$  N and  $76^{\circ}59'40.37''$  E) [Point 42]. From this location the boundary proceeds towards Northwest to touch the Northern Boundary of Rajampara RF where Valathodu [Point 43] and the boundary further proceeds towards West in a straight line cutting across the teak plantationso Mayyiladam Para (622 m) [Point 44]. The boundary thence proceeds in Rajampara RF towards North West through the points  $9^{\circ}24'12.12''$  N and  $76^{\circ}55'49.35''$  E [Point 45] located on the South of a tributary of Pamba River.

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9°24'31.79" N and 76°55'31.56" E [Point 46] located on the tributary of Pamba River, 9°25'04.16" N and 76°55'22.77" E [Point 47] located near Pamba river and up to a point on the left bank of Pamba River (9°25'22.56" N and 76°55'22.06" E) [Point 48]. Thence the boundary proceeds towards North to touch the Eruvapuzha-Kanamala Road at 9°25'46.88" N and 76°55'19.90" E [Point 49] and further proceeds towards North to touch the Rasmi RF boundary at 9°26'03.16" N and 76°55'23.04" E [Point 50] and further proceeds towards North-West in a straight line in Rasmi RF and ends at the starting point.

ANNEXURE-II

MAP OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE WITH LATITUDES AND LONGITUDES



## The Longitudes and Latitudes of the key locations in the boundary of Periyar River Reserve Eco-Sensitive Zone

POINT ID	LOCATION	LONGITUDE (DD/MM/SS.SS)	LATITUDE (DD/MM/SS.SS)
1	Sabari Para (489 m.) in Ranni RF	76 54 49.6944	9 26 33.3672
2	Gopara Mala (554 m.) in Ranni RF	76 56 8.3436	9 27 48.3624
3	A location on the north of Korumbodu in Ranni RF	76 56 59.352	9 28 27.462
4	A location on the east of ManjakkalMudi in Ranni RF	76 57 28.2888	9 28 44.1372
5	A peak with 528 m. height on the northern boundary of Ranni RF	76 58 5.6352	9 29 1.6128
6	Confluence of Panniar and Azhuthiar	77 0 36.954	9 30 57.0456
7	A peak with 1073 m. height on the south of Gramby Estate	77 2 0.6056	9 31 49.4148
8	A location on the eastern boundary of Ranni RF	77 3 38.6244	9 31 41.6928
9	A peak with 1078 m. height on the south of Gramby Estate	77 3 43.9704	9 31 41.79
10	A peak with 1085 m. height on the north of Mount Colony	77 4 28.3944	9 31 43.752
11	A peak with 1049 m. height on the west of Kadusikkadu	77 4 26.922	9 32 54.1644
12	Confluence of a stream originating from Vanyattumala Mala and Periyar River	77 4 55.56	9 33 40.9896
13	Mariyamman temple along the road between Vendiperyar and Vallakavay	77 5 52.5372	9 34 16.932
14	A location on the KK Road ON THE EAST OF Valardikavala	77 12 30.006	9 16 51.5784
15	A peak with 1097 m. height at Valardi	77 7 7.7088	9 36 10.35
16	A location on the south of Marakkudi in Marakkudi Estate	77 8 13.722	9 36 21.3624
17	A location on the south of Marakkudi in Marakkudi Estate	77 8 18.0384	9 36 37.2528
18	A location on the Marakkudi—Chelmadu road	77 8 28.3668	9 36 50.7024
19	A location in Attappalam	77 9 7.416	9 37 26.076
20	A location between Attappalam and Amaravathi	77 9 40.2372	9 37 54.7484
21	A location on the eastern side of Kamsiy-Muniar road in Amaravathi	77 10 6.5672	9 37 27.7896
22	A peak with 987 m. height on the interstate boundary	77 10 35.3928	9 37 36.0624
23	A junction where PTR boundary meet with interstate boundary	77 10 35.7708	9 36 30.3084
24	A location on the southern boundary of PTR near Kalimala on the interstate boundary	77 16 58.9836	9 16 15.9564
25	A peak with 1630m. height on the interstate boundary	77 16 57.5304	9 15 43.956
26	A location on the interstate boundary on the south of Point 25	77 16 58.064	9 15 10.512
27	A peak with 1273 m. height in Goodrical RF on the east of Kalki reservoir	77 15 42.7068	9 15 38.5668
28	A peak with 1210 m. height in Goodrical RF on the east of Kalki reservoir	77 15 15.7404	9 16 0.534
29	A peak with 1391 m. height in Goodrical RF on the east of Kalki reservoir	77 12 30.006	9 16 51.5784
30	A peak with 1282 m. height in Goodrical RF on the east of Kalki reservoir	77 11 26.2608	9 17 24.0396
31	A peak with 1048 m. height in Goodrical RF on the east of Kalki reservoir	77 9 51.7248	9 17 48.0528

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POINT ID	LOCATION	LONGITUDE (DD/MM/SS.SS)	LATITUDE (DD/MM/SS.SS)
32	A peak with 1061 m. height in Goodical RF on the crest of Kanku reservoir	77 10 7.4136	9 19 46.7256
33	A peak with 1070 m. height on the south of Swargashil	77 8 15.324	9 18 58.626
34	A peak with 1070 m. height on the south of Swargashil	77 6 31.2732	9 19 30.1046
35	Kadrua Thavalam (990m)	77 6 14.0142	9 22 25.0572
36	Pada Mala (890 m.)	77 5 16.35	9 22 13.8792
37	Erachi Para (569 m.)	77 3 55.1484	9 22 22.7028
38	Kollaiyem (716 m.)	72 1 51.9744	9 23 7.2172
39	A location on the eastern boundary of Nilakkal Thavalam	77 1 3.0796	9 23 11.004
40	A location on the western boundary of Nilakkal Thavalam	77 0 27.8316	9 23 19.9752
41	A location between Erumakulam and Nilakkal Thavalam	77 0 1.5912	9 23 27.9348
42	A location on the road between Chalakkayana and Plappally near teak plantation	76 59 40.5692	9 23 48.9048
43	A location on the Vallada Todu stream amidst teak plantation	76 59 32.784	9 24 4.9788
44	Mariyalam Para (622m.) in Rajampura RF	76 56 33.8424	9 23 43.4148
45	A location on the south of a tributary of Pamba River in Rajampura RF	76 55 49.5536	9 24 12.1176
46	A location on the tributary of Pamba River in Rajampura RF	76 55 31.5588	9 24 31.788
47	A location near Pamba River in Rajampura RF	76 55 21.9676	9 25 4.1628
48	A location on the left bank of Pamba River on the south of Eruvapuzha	76 55 22.0584	9 25 22.5624
49	A location on the Road from Eruvapuzha to Karamala	76 55 10.8984	9 25 46.8984
50	A location on the south of Eruvapuzha on the southern boundary of Ramu RF	76 55 23.0376	9 26 3.1396

ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF VILLAGES AND VESTED FORESTS IN ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE

List of Villages in the Periyar Tiger Reserve Eco-Sensitive Zone

DISTRICT: Idukki

TALUK: Peermade

Sl No.	VILLAGE	STATUS (Partial/Full)
1.	Miapara	Partial
2.	Kumily	Partial
3	Vandiperyar	Partial
4	Manchumala	Partial

DISTRICT: Kottayam

TALUK: Kanjirappilly

Sl No.	VILLAGE	STATUS (Partial/Full)
1.	Erumely South	Partial
2.	Erumely North	Partial



DISTRICT: Pathanamthitta

TALUK: Ranni

Sl No.	VILLAGE	STATUS (Partial/Full)
1.	Kothamunda	Partial
2	Perinad	Partial

**Exceptions and Exemptions in the Periyar Tiger Reserve Eco-sensitive Zone.**

- 56.40ha of land with TDB within Periyar Tiger Reserve used for Sabarimala. This land shall be managed as per Master Plan approved by Government of Kerala.
- 20.7046 km<sup>2</sup> of leased land to KSEB under Subarigiri Project is specifically allowed for non-forestry use under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 imposing special conditions. Hence the conditions as per Government of India and Government of Kerala sanctions shall be followed.
- Other areas: Leased areas to Kerala Tourism Development Corporation [8.58 ha], Kerala Labour Welfare Board [2.864 ha] have been conditionally exempted under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 imposing special conditions.

These areas shall be managed as per the special conditions.

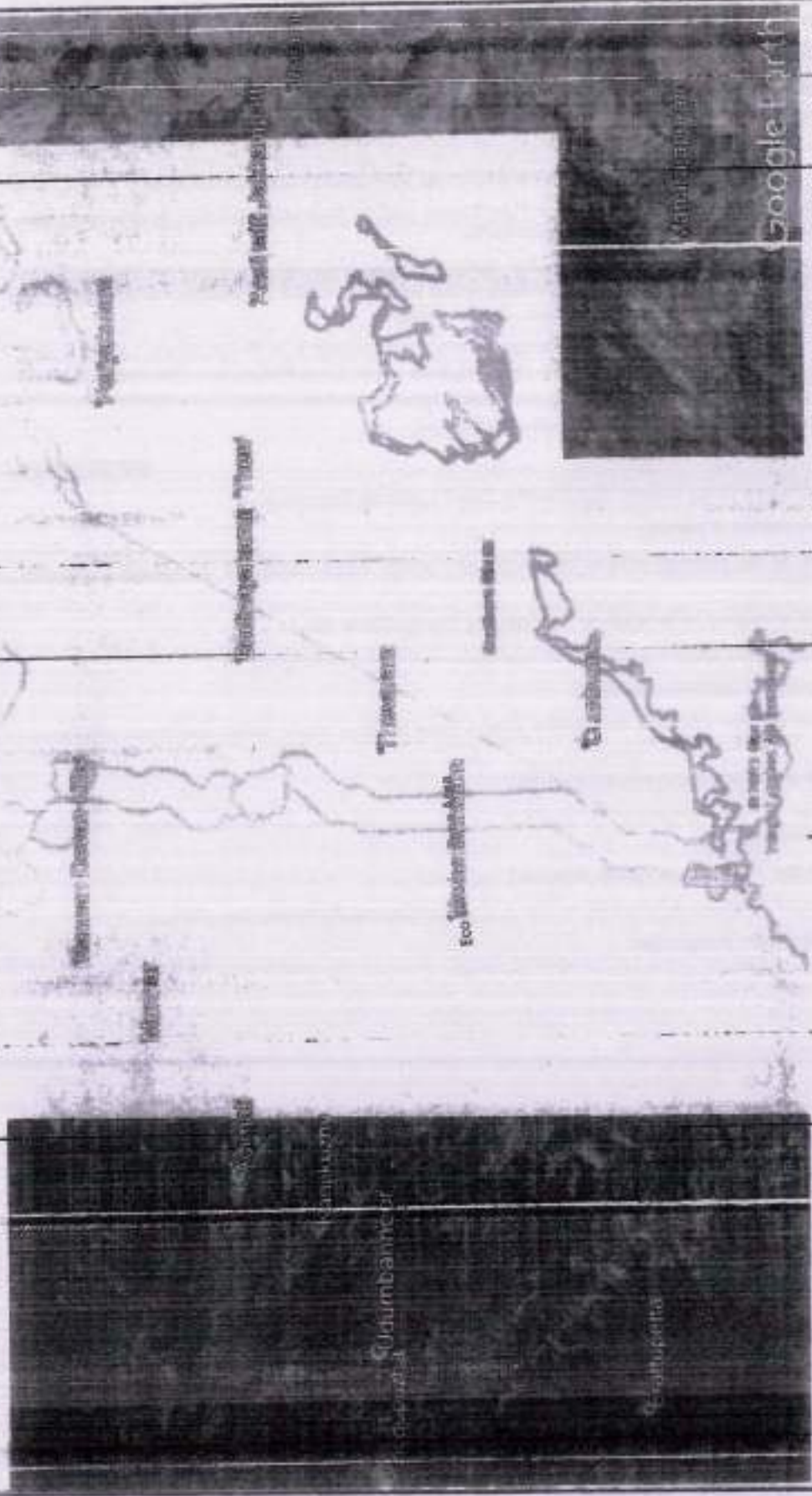
**ANNEXURE-IV****Performance of Action Taken Reports - Eco-sensitive Zone Monitoring Committee.**

- Number and date of meetings.
- Minutes of the meetings: mention main noteworthy points. Attach minutes of the meeting as separate Annexure.
- Status of preparation of Zonal Master Plan including Tourism Master Plan.
- Summary of cases dealt for rectification of error apparent on face of land record.  
[Details may be attached as Annexure]
- Summary of cases scrutinised for activities covered under the Environment Impact Assessment notification, 2006.  
[Details may be attached as separate Annexure]
- Summary of cases scrutinised for activities not covered under the Environment Impact Assessment notification, 2006.  
[Details may be attached as separate Annexure]
- Summary of complaints lodged under section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- Any other matter of importance.





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Proposal for diversion of 0.0118 ha of forest land for construction of Kumily border Police Check Post at Kumily in Therni District, Surengama Reserved Forest, Cumbum West Ranges of Therni Forest Division, Therni

Top Sketch duly marked the proposed location.



**Legends**

-  Proposed Location of Border Police Check Post at Kumily.
-  Boundary of No Tolerance Wildlife Eco Sensitive Zone.
-  Boundary of Megamala Wildlife Eco Sensitive Zone.
-  DSS mapping of Tiger corridors available in [www.mca.gov.in](http://www.mca.gov.in).

A) Shortest distance between the proposed location of Check Post and Boundary of Kollimalai Wildlife Division is around 65.80KM.

B) Shortest distance between the proposed location of Check Post and Boundary of Megamala Wildlife Division is around 20 M.

**DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER  
THERNI DIVISION THERNI**

*(Signature)*  
26/10/2024

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

From

Additional Superintendent of Police (Hqrs),  
District Police office,  
Theni District, Theni.

To

The District Forest officer,  
Theni Forest Division,  
Theni.

**C. No. B1/ 38062/ 2013, Dated: .11.2022.**

Sir,

Sub: Police

Police - Theni District - Formation of Permanent Police check post at Kumuly - Submission of online application for land transfer from Forest Department - report sending - Regarding G. O. (Ms). No. 871 Home (Pol.XIV) Dept, Dt: 09.11.2012.

- 2) Online application uploaded by the User Agency Superintendent of Police, District Police office, Theni District dt.04.10.2016.(FP/TN/Others/21594/2016)
- 3) Acknowledgement uploaded by the User agency for receiving the hard copy of the proposal by the Deputy Collector, Additional principal Conservator of Forest, -Madurai Circle, Madurai and District Forest Officer, Theni Division, Theni on 29.04.2021.
- 4) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Chennai Letter in Ref.No.TS.4/32117/2016, dated: 10.10.2022
- 5) The District forest officer,Theni letter in C.No.7126/2016/D Dt.04.11.2022.

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Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

2) It is informed that, in the reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited, User agency has been requested to obtain the permission from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for removal of 1 no.of spontaneous growth of bamboo clump in the proposed location.

3) In this connection, an undertaking for non-removal of spontaneous growth of bamboo clump in the diversion of 0.018 ha of the forest land in.suranganar RF to Police Department for the construction of Kumuly Border Police Check Post at kumuly is enclosed and send herewith (Copy enclosed). This is favour of information.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

*[Signature]*  
Additional Superintendent of Police (Hqrs),  
Theni District, Theni.

Copy to : The District Collector, Theni District.

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Construction of Police Check Post at Kumuly  
(Tamilnadu State Border) in Suranganar RF in Theni  
Forest Division, Theni District. (3)

**UNDERTAKING**

The Police Administration of Theni District, has given undertaking for non-removal of spontaneous growth of bamboo clump in the diversion of 0.018 ha of forest land in suranganar RF to Police Department for the construction of Kumuly border Police Check Post at kumuly.

*J. S. S. 15/11/2022*  
Additional Superintendent of Police  
(Headquarters)  
Theni District, Theni.

## MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 10th October, 2019

**S.O. 3651(E).**—WHEREAS, a draft notification was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change number S.O. 4774(E), dated the 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby within the period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

**AND WHEREAS**, copies of the Gazette containing the said draft notification were made available to the public on the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018;

**AND WHEREAS**, objections and suggestions received from persons and stakeholders in response to the aforesaid draft notification were considered by the Central Government;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary lies in the southern Western Ghats falling in the State of Tamil Nadu in the revenue districts of Theni and Madurai between 09<sup>o</sup> 37' to 09<sup>o</sup> 57' N latitude and between 77<sup>o</sup> 11' to 77<sup>o</sup> 42' E longitude, total area of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary declared is 269.10 square kilometre (26910.815 hectre): declared also as per resolution passed by the committee formed with Revenue Department officer Uthamapalayam, Panchayat Union Chairman of Cumbum, Wildlife Warden and an Ecologist on 04.01.2013, at Cumbum Forest Rest House for the public interest and to conserve the forest and again re-resolution passed on 13.01.2013 including for all 21 items; Revenue Department officer Usilampatti and Chairman Elumalai Town Panchayat and Municipal Chairman, Usilampatti on 19.01.2013 passed resolution of 20 items;

**AND WHEREAS**, for Gandamanur East block, the committee sat on 21.01.2013 in the chamber of District Backward welfare office under the chairmanship of Revenue Department officer Periyakulam and attended by elected members of local bodies, Presidents Gandamanayakanur, Theppampatti, Palayakottai and Kadamalaikundu along with Wildlife Warden and Ecologist. After passing resolution, the Revenue Department officer Periyakulam did not sign the resolution stating that he needed time for studying the guidelines and field inspection. As per majority approval the resolution was passed;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary is the surrounded by the Srivilliputhur Grizzled Squirrel Wildlife Sanctuary and Periyar Tiger Reserve and this Sanctuary has unique habitat of harboring biodiversity and several microhabitats in southern part of Western Ghats, especially the place of two distinct geographical regions of bio diversity landscape Western Ghats of Tamil Nadu and Kerala;

**AND WHEREAS**, it is an important landscape for elephant conservation programme in Periyar Elephant Reserve and owing to its large contiguous forests and connectivity with adjoining protected areas, this wildlife Sanctuary has wide varieties of endangered species such as Grizzled Squirrel, Elephant, Tiger, Leopard, Nilgiri tahr, Gaur, Lion Tailed Macaque, etc. And the diversity of habitat has got an assemblage of several species of rare plants, invertebrates, fishes, amphibians and reptiles;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary has several species of endemic flora and fauna, which has diversity of flora and fauna, examples of flora found in the protected area are Curly abutilon (*Abutilon crispum* (L.) Medikus), Blister creeper (*Cardiospermum helicababum* L.), Butterfly Bean (*Clitoria ternatea* L.), Lollipop Climber (*Diplocyclos palmatus* (L.) C. Jeffrey), etc.; examples of fauna are Nilgiri Langur (*Semnopithecus johnii*), Tufted Grey Langur (*Semnopithecus priam*), Lion-tailed Macaque (*Macaca silenus*), Bonnet Macaque (*Macaca radiata*), Grey Slender Loris (*Loris lydekkerianus*), Tiger (*Panthera tigris*), Leopard (*Panthera pardus*), Jungle Cat (*Felis chaus*), etc.;

**AND WHEREAS**, the sanctuary has variety of birds, butterflies, insects, reptiles, examples of birds are Oriental Honey-Buzzard (*Pernis ptilorhynchus*), Jerdon's Baza (*Aviceda jerdoni*), Black-shouldered Kite (*Elanus caeruleus*), Short-toed Snake-Eagle (*Circus gallicus*), Long-billed Vulture (*Gyps indicus*) etc; examples of amphibians are Ferguson's Toad (*Bufo scaber*), Common Indian Toad (*Duttaphrynus melanostictus*), Water Skipper or Skipper Frog (*Euphlyctis cyanophlyctis*), Indian Pond or Green Frog (*Euphlyctis hexadactylus*), etc. and endemic species found in the Sanctuary are Malabar Rose (*Atrophanaura pandiyana*), Southern Birdwing (*Troides minos*), White Disc Hege Blue (*Celatoxia albidisca*), Nilgiri Tiger (*Parantica nilgiriensis*), etc.;

**AND WHEREAS**, the important economy of the area is primarily agriculture, more than 85% of the Eco-sensitive Zone area is in agricultural use and remaining areas are used for animal husbandry and other related activities;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) and clauses (v) and (xiv) of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act 1986 (29 of 1986) (hereafter in this notification referred to as the Environment Act) read with sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby notifies an area with an extent varying from zero kilometre (towards the eastern

boundary Gandamanur range covered by the Srivilliputhur Grizzled Squirrel Wildlife Sanctuary) to 1.7 kilometre around the boundary of the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary in the State of Tamil Nadu as the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary Eco-sensitive Zone (here after referred to as the Eco-sensitive Zone), details of which are as under, namely:-

**1. Extent and boundaries of Eco-sensitive Zone.** - (1) The extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone varies from zero kilometer (towards the eastern boundary Gandamanur range covered by the Srivilliputhur Grizzled Squirrel Wildlife Sanctuary) to 1.7 kilometer around the Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary and the area of the Eco-Sensitive Zone is 116.73 square kilometers.

- (2) The boundary description of the Eco-sensitive Zone is appended as **Annexure I**.
- (3) The maps of the Protected Area demarcating the Eco-sensitive Zone boundary are appended as **Annexures IIA-E**.
- (4) The geo co-ordinates of the boundary of the Protected Area and the Eco-sensitive Zone are given in Table A and Table B of **Annexure III** respectively.
- (5) The list of villages falling within the Eco-sensitive Zone along with their geo co-ordinates at prominent points is appended as **Annexure IV**.

**2. Zonal Master Plan for Eco-sensitive Zone.** - (1) The State Government shall, for the purpose of effective management of the Eco-sensitive Zone, prepare a Zonal Master Plan within a period of two years from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, in consultation with local people and adhering to the stipulations given in this notification for approval of competent authority in the State Government.

- (2) The Zonal Master Plan for the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be prepared by the State Government in such manner as is specified in this notification and also in consonance with the relevant Central and State laws and the guidelines issued by the Central Government, if any.
- (3) The Zonal Master Plan shall be prepared in consultation with the following State Departments, for integrating environmental and ecological considerations into the said plan: -
  - (1) Environment;
  - (2) Forest and Wildlife;
  - (3) Agriculture;
  - (4) Revenue;
  - (5) Urban Development;
  - (6) Tourism;
  - (7) Rural Development ;
  - (8) Irrigation and Flood Control;
  - (9) Municipal;
  - (10) Panchayati Raj;
  - (11) Public Works Department;
  - (12) Highways; and
  - (13) Tamil Nadu State Pollution Control Board.

(4) The Zonal Master Plan shall not impose any restriction on the approved existing land use, infrastructure and activities, unless so specified in this notification and the Zonal Master Plan shall factor in improvement of all infrastructure and activities to be more efficient and eco-friendly.

(5) The Zonal Master Plan shall provide for restoration of denuded and degraded areas, conservation of existing water bodies, management of catchment areas, watershed management, groundwater management, soil and moisture conservation, needs of local community and such other aspects of the ecology and environment that need attention.

(6) The Zonal Master Plan shall demarcate all the existing worshipping places, villages and urban settlements, types and kinds of forests, agricultural areas, fertile lands, green area, such as, parks and like places, horticultural areas, orchards, lakes and other water bodies and also with supporting maps giving details of existing and proposed land use features.

(7) The Zonal Master Plan shall regulate development in Eco-sensitive Zone and adhere to prohibited, regulated activities listed in table and also ensure and promote eco-friendly development for security of local communities' livelihood.

(8) The Zonal Master Plan shall be co-terminus with the Regional Development Plan.

(9) The Zonal Master Plan so approved shall be the reference document for the Monitoring Committee for carrying out its functions of monitoring in accordance with the provisions of this notification.

**3. Measures to be taken by State Government.**-The State Government shall take the following measures for giving effect to the provisions of this notification, namely:-

- (1) **Land use.** - (a) Forests, horticulture areas, agricultural areas, parks and open spaces earmarked for recreational purposes in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall not be used or converted into areas for commercial or residential complex or industrial activities:

Provided that the conversion of agricultural and other lands, for the purpose other than that specified in clause (a), within the Eco-sensitive Zone may be permitted on the recommendation of the Monitoring Committee, and with the prior approval of the competent authority under Regional Town Planning Act and other rules and regulations of the Central Government or State Government as applicable and vide provisions of this notification, to meet the residential needs of the local residents and for activities such as:-

- (i) widening and strengthening of existing roads and construction of new roads;
- (ii) construction and renovation of infrastructure and civic amenities;
- (iii) small scale industries not causing pollution;
- (iv) cottage industries including village industries; convenience stores and local amenities supporting eco-tourism including home stay; and
- (v) promoted activities and given in paragraph 4;

Provided further that no use of tribal land shall be permitted for commercial and industrial development activities without the prior approval of the competent authority under Regional Town Planning Act and other rules and regulations of State Government and without compliance of the provisions of article 244 of the Constitution or the law for the time being in force, including the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (2 of 2007):

Provided also that any error appearing in the land records within the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be corrected by the State Government, after obtaining the views of Monitoring Committee, once in each case and the correction of said error shall be intimated to the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change:

Provided also that the above correction of error shall not include change of land use in any case except as provided under this sub-paragraph.

- (b) Efforts shall be made to reforest the unused or unproductive agricultural areas with afforestation and habitat restoration activities.

(2) **Natural water bodies.** - The catchment areas of all natural springs, rivers or channels shall be identified and plans for their conservation and rejuvenation shall be incorporated in the Zonal Master Plan and the guidelines shall be drawn up by the State Government in such a manner as to prohibit development activities at or near these areas which are detrimental to such areas.

(3) **Tourism or eco-tourism**

- (a) All new eco-tourism activities or expansion of existing tourism activities within the Eco-Sensitive Zone shall be as per the Tourism Master Plan for the Eco-sensitive Zone.
- (b) The eco-Tourism Master Plan shall be prepared by the State Department of Tourism in consultation with the State Departments of Environment and Forests;
- (c) The Tourism Master Plan shall form a component of the Zonal Master Plan;
- (d) The Tourism Master Plan shall be drawn based on the study of carrying capacity of the Eco-sensitive Zone;
- (e) The activities of eco-tourism shall be regulated as under, namely:-

- (i) new construction of hotels and resorts shall not be allowed within one kilometre from the boundary of the protected area or upto the extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone, whichever is nearer.

Provided that beyond the distance of one kilometre from the boundary of the protected area till the extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone, the establishment of new hotels and resorts shall be allowed only in pre-defined and designated areas for eco-tourism facilities as per Tourism Master Plan;

- (ii) all new tourism activities or expansion of existing tourism activities within the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the eco-tourism guidelines issued by the National Tiger Conservation Authority (as amended from time to time) with emphasis on eco-tourism, eco-education and eco-development;
- (iii) until the Zonal Master Plan is approved, development for tourism and expansion of existing tourism activities shall be permitted by the concerned regulatory authorities based on the actual site specific scrutiny and recommendation of the Monitoring Committee and no new hotel, resort or commercial establishment construction shall be permitted within Eco-sensitive Zone area.

(4) **Natural heritage.**- All sites of valuable natural heritage in the Eco-sensitive Zone, such as the gene pool reserve areas, rock formations, waterfalls, springs, gorges, groves, caves, points, walks, rides, cliffs, etc. shall be identified and a heritage conservation plan shall be drawn up for their preservation and conservation as a part of the Zonal Master Plan.

(5) **Man-made heritage sites.**- Buildings, structures, artifacts, areas and precincts of historical, architectural, aesthetic and cultural significance shall be identified in the Eco-sensitive Zone and heritage conservation plan for their conservation shall be prepared as part Zonal Master Plan.

(6) **Noise pollution.** - Prevention and control of noise pollution in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 under the Environment Act.

(7) **Air pollution.**- Prevention and control of air pollution in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981) and rules made there under.

(8) **Discharge of effluents.** - Discharge of treated effluent in Eco-sensitive Zone shall be in accordance with the provisions of the General Standards for Discharge of Environmental Pollutants covered under the Environmental Act and rules made thereunder or standards stipulated by State Government, whichever is more stringent.

(9) **Solid wastes.** - Disposal and management of solid wastes shall be as under:-

(a) the solid waste disposal and management in Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, published by the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide notification number S.O. 1357 (E), dated 8th April, 2016 as amended from time to time; the inorganic material may be disposed in an environmental acceptable manner at site identified outside the Eco-sensitive Zone;

(b) safe and Environmentally Sound Management (ESM) of solid wastes in conformity with the existing rules and regulations using identified technologies may be allowed within Eco-sensitive Zone.

(10) **Bio-medical waste.** - Bio-medical waste management shall be as under:-

(a) the bio-medical waste disposal in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out in accordance with the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016, published by the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide notification number GSR 343 (E), dated the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 as amended from time to time.

(b) safe and Environmentally Sound Management (ESM) of biomedical wastes in conformity with the existing rules and regulations using identified technologies may be allowed within Eco-sensitive Zone.

(11) **Plastic waste management.**- The plastic waste management in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out as per the provisions of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, published by the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide notification number G.S.R. 340(E), dated the 18th March, 2016, as amended from time to time.

(12) **Construction and demolition waste management.** - The construction and demolition waste management in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out as per the provisions of the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016, published by the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide notification number G.S.R. 317(E), dated the 29th March, 2016, as amended from time to time.

(13) **E-waste.** - The e-waste management in the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be carried out as per the provisions of the E-Waste Management Rules, 2016, published by the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and as amended from time to time.

(14) **Vehicular traffic.** - The vehicular movement of traffic shall be regulated in a habitat friendly manner and specific provisions in this regard shall be incorporated in the Zonal Master Plan and till such time as the Zonal Master plan is prepared and approved by the competent authority in the State Government, the Monitoring Committee shall monitor compliance of vehicular movement under the relevant Acts and the rules and regulations made thereunder.

(15) **Vehicular pollution.** - Prevention and control of vehicular pollution shall be carried out in accordance with applicable laws and efforts shall be made for use of cleaner fuel like CNG, LPG, etc.

(16) **Industrial units.**- (i) On or after the publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, no new polluting industries shall be allowed to be set up within the Eco-sensitive Zone.

(ii) Only non-polluting industries shall be allowed within Eco-sensitive Zone as per classification of Industries in the guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board in February 2016, unless so specified in this notification and in addition, non-polluting cottage industries shall be promoted.



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(17) **Protection of hill slopes.**- The protection of hill slopes shall be as under: -

- (a) the Zonal Master Plan shall indicate areas on hill slopes where no construction shall be permitted;  
 (b) no construction on existing steep hill slopes or slopes with a high degree of erosion shall be permitted.

**4. List of activities prohibited or to be regulated within Eco-sensitive Zone.-**

All activities in the Eco sensitive Zone shall be governed by the provisions of the Environment Act, and the rules made thereunder including the Coastal Regulation Zone, 2011 and the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 and other applicable laws including the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (69 of 1980), the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the Wildlife(Protection) Act 1972 (53 of 1972) and amendments made thereto and be regulated in the manner specified in the Table below, namely:-

TABLE

SLNo.	Activity	Description
(1)	(2)	(3)
<b>A. Prohibited Activities</b>		
1.	Commercial mining, stone quarrying and crushing units.	(a) All new and existing mining (minor and major minerals) stone quarrying and crushing units shall be prohibited with immediate effect except for meeting the domestic needs of bonafide local residents including digging of earth for construction or repair of houses and for manufacture of country tiles or bricks for housing and for other activities. (b) The mining operations shall be carried out in accordance with the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated the 4 <sup>th</sup> August, 2006 in the matter of T.N. Godavarman Thirumalpd Vz. UOI in W.P. (C) No. 202 of 1995 and dated the 21 <sup>st</sup> April, 2014 in the matter of Goa Foundation z. UOI in W.P. (C) No. 435 of 2012.
2.	Setting of industries causing pollution (water, air, soil, noise, etc).	No new industries and expansion of existing polluting industries in the Eco-sensitive zone shall be permitted: Provided that non-polluting industries shall be allowed within Eco-sensitive Zone as per classification of Industries in the guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board in February 2016, unless so specified in this notification and in addition, non-polluting cottage industries shall be promoted.
3.	Establishment of major hydroelectric project.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
4.	Use or production or processing of any hazardous substances.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
5.	Discharge of untreated effluents in natural water bodies or land area.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
6.	Setting of new saw mills.	No new or expansion of existing saw mills shall be permitted within the Eco-sensitive Zone.
7.	Setting up of brick kilns.	Prohibited (except as otherwise provided) as per applicable laws.
<b>B. Regulated Activities</b>		
8.	Commercial establishment of hotels and resorts.	No new commercial hotels and resorts shall be permitted within one kilometre of the boundary of the Protected Area or up to the extent of Eco-sensitive zone, whichever is nearer, except for small temporary structures for eco-tourism activities: Provided that, beyond one kilometre from the boundary of the Protected Area or up to the extent of Eco-sensitive Zone, whichever is nearer, all new tourist activities or expansion of existing activities shall be in conformity with the Tourism Master Plan and guidelines as applicable.

Sl.No.	Activity	Description
(1)	(2)	(3)
9.	Construction activities.	(a) No new commercial construction of any kind shall be permitted within one kilometre from the boundary of the Protected Area or upto extent of the Eco-sensitive Zone, whichever is nearer. Provided that, local people shall be permitted to undertake construction in their land for their use including the activities listed in sub paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 as per building byelaws to meet the residential needs of the local residents. Provided further that the construction activity related to small scale industries not causing pollution shall be regulated and kept at the minimum, with the prior permission from the competent authority as per applicable rules and regulations, if any. (c) Beyond one kilometre it shall be regulated as per the Zonal Master Plan.
10.	Small scale non-polluting industries.	Non-polluting industries as per classification of industries issued by the Central Pollution Control Board in February 2016 and non-hazardous, small scale and service industry, agriculture, floriculture, horticulture or agro-based industry producing products from indigenous materials from the Eco-sensitive Zone shall be permitted by the competent authority.
11.	Felling of trees.	(a) There shall be no felling of trees on the forest or Government or revenue or private lands without prior permission of the competent authority in the State Government. (b) The felling of trees shall be regulated in accordance with the provisions of the concerned Central or State Act and the rules made there under.
12.	Collection of Forest Produce or Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP).	Regulated under applicable laws.
13.	Establishment of large scale commercial live stock and poultry farms by firms, corporates, companies.	Regulated under applicable laws.
14.	Erection of electrical and communication towers and laying of cables and other infrastructures.	Regulated under applicable laws (Underground cabling may be promoted).
15.	Infrastructure civic amenities.	Shall be done with mitigation measures, as per applicable laws, rules, regulations and available guidelines.
16.	Widening and strengthening of existing roads and construction of new roads.	Shall be done with mitigation measures, as per applicable laws, rules, regulations and available guidelines.
17.	Undertaking other activities related to tourism like over flying the Eco-sensitive Zone area by hot air balloon, helicopter, drones, microlites, etc.	Regulated under applicable laws.
18.	Protection of hill slopes and river banks.	Regulated under applicable laws.
19.	Movement of vehicular traffic at night.	Regulated for commercial purpose under applicable laws.
20.	Ongoing agriculture and horticulture practices by local communities along with dairies, dairy farming, aquaculture and fisheries.	Permitted under applicable laws for use of locals.
21.	Discharge of treated waste water/effluents in natural water bodies or land area.	The discharge of treated waste water/effluents shall be avoided to enter into the water bodies and efforts shall be made for recycle and reuse of treated waste water, otherwise the discharge of treated waste water/effluent shall be regulated as per applicable laws.
22.	Commercial extraction of surface and ground water.	Regulated under applicable laws.

Sl.No.	Activity	Description
(1)	(2)	(3)
23.	Open well, bore well, etc. for agriculture or other usage.	Regulated under applicable laws and the activity shall be strictly monitored by the authority.
24.	Solid waste management.	Regulated under applicable laws.
25.	Introduction of exotic species.	Regulated under applicable laws.
26.	Eco-tourism.	Regulated under applicable laws.
27.	Use of polythene bags.	Regulated under applicable laws.
28.	Commercial sign boards and boardings.	Regulated under applicable laws.
<b>C. Promoted Activities</b>		
29.	Rain water harvesting.	Shall be actively promoted.
30.	Organic farming.	Shall be actively promoted.
31.	Adoption of green technology for all activities	Shall be actively promoted.
32.	Cottage industries including village artisans, etc.	Shall be actively promoted.
33.	Use of renewable energy and fuels.	Bio gas, solar light, etc. shall be actively promoted.
34.	Agro-forestry.	Shall be actively promoted.
35.	Use of eco-friendly transport.	Shall be actively promoted.
36.	Skill development.	Shall be actively promoted.
37.	Restoration of degraded land/forests/habitats.	Shall be actively promoted.
38.	Environmental awareness.	Shall be actively promoted.
39.	Plantation of horticulture and herbals.	Shall be actively promoted.

#### 5. Monitoring Committee.—

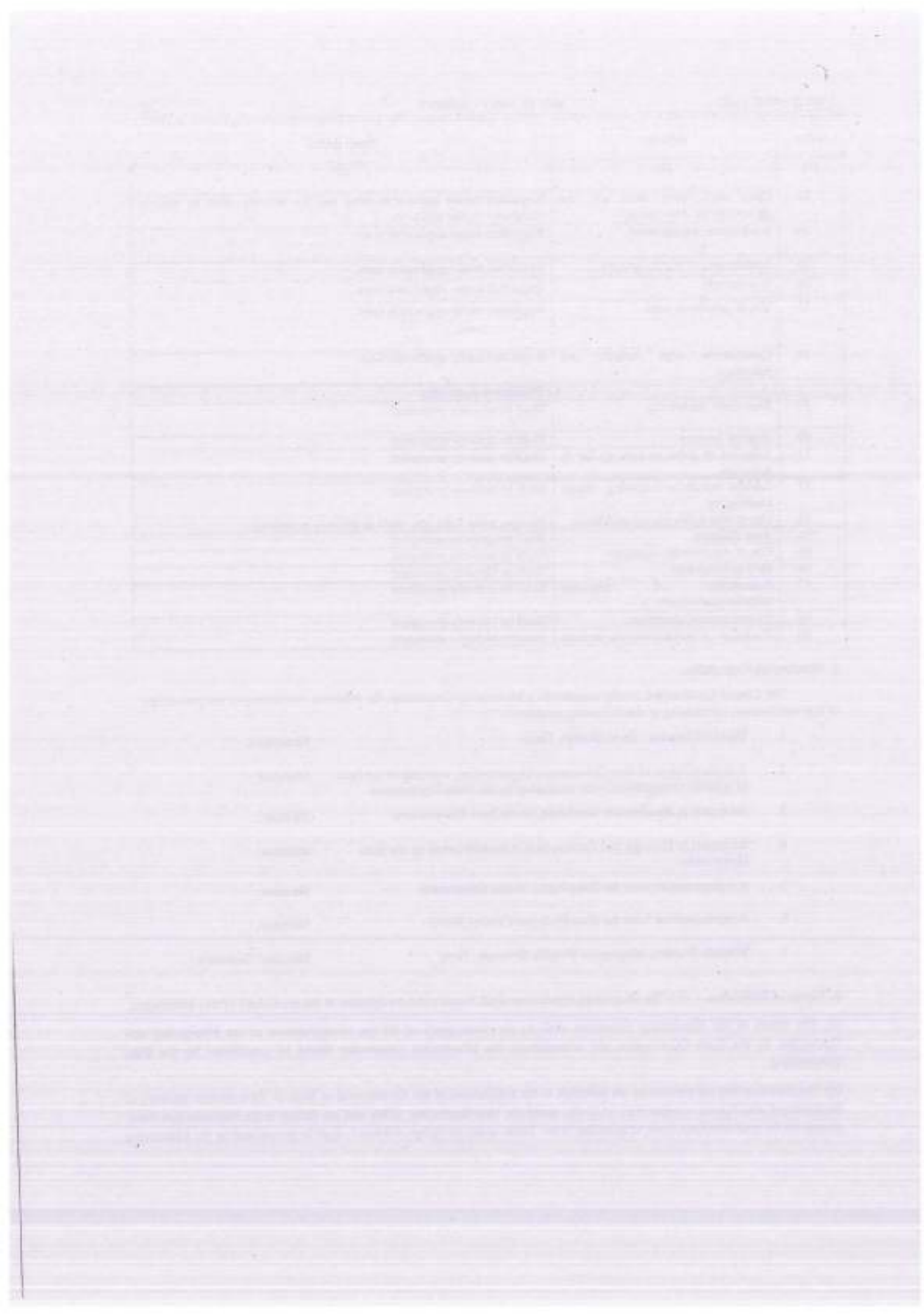
The Central Government hereby constitutes a Monitoring Committee, for effective monitoring of the provisions of this notification, comprising of the following namely:—

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| 1. | District Collector, Theni District, Theni   | Chairman;          |
| 2. | A representative of Non-Government Organisation working in the field of wildlife conservation to be nominated by the State Government | Member;            |
| 3. | An expert in Biodiversity nominated by the State Government   | Member;            |
| 4. | An expert in Ecology and Environment to be nominated by the State Government  | Member;            |
| 5. | A representative from the State Public Works Department   | Member;            |
| 6. | A representative from the State Pollution Control Board   | Member;            |
| 7. | Wildlife Warden, Megamalai Wildlife Division, Theni   | Member- Secretary. |

**6. Terms of Reference.—** (1) The Monitoring Committee shall monitor the compliance of the provisions of this notification.

(2) The tenure of the Monitoring committee shall be for three years or till the re-constitution of the Monitoring new Committee by the State Government and subsequently the Monitoring Committee would be constituted by the State Government.

(3) The activities that are covered in the Schedule to the notification of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests number S.O. 1533 (E), dated the 14th September, 2006, and are falling in the Eco-sensitive Zone, except for the prohibited activities as specified in the Table under paragraph 4 thereof, shall be scrutinised by the Monitoring



Committee based on the actual site-specific conditions and referred to the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for prior environmental clearances under the provisions of the said notification.

(4) The activities that are not covered in the Schedule to the notification of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests number S.O. 1533 (E), dated the 14th September, 2006 and are falling in the Eco-sensitive Zone, except for the prohibited activities as specified in the Table under paragraph 4 thereof, shall be scrutinised by the Monitoring Committee based on the actual site-specific conditions and referred to the concerned regulatory authorities.

(5) The Member Secretary of the Monitoring Committee or the concerned Deputy Commissioner shall be competent to file complaints under section 19 of the Environment Act against any person who contravenes the provisions of this notification.

(6) The Monitoring Committee may invite representatives or experts from concerned Departments, representatives from industry associations or concerned stakeholders to assist in its deliberations depending on the requirements on issue to issue basis.

(7) The Monitoring Committee shall submit the annual action taken report of its activities as on the 31st March of every year by the 30th June of that year to the Chief Wildlife Warden in the State as per Performa given in Annexure V.

(8) The Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may give such directions, as it deems fit, to the Monitoring Committee for effective discharge of its functions.

**7. Additional measures.**—The Central Government and State Government may specify additional measures, if any, for giving effect to provisions of this notification.

**8. Supreme Court, etc. orders.**—The provisions of this notification are subject to the orders, if any passed or to be passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India or High Court or National Green Tribunal.

[F. No. 25/20/2018-ESZ]

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## ANNEXURE-I

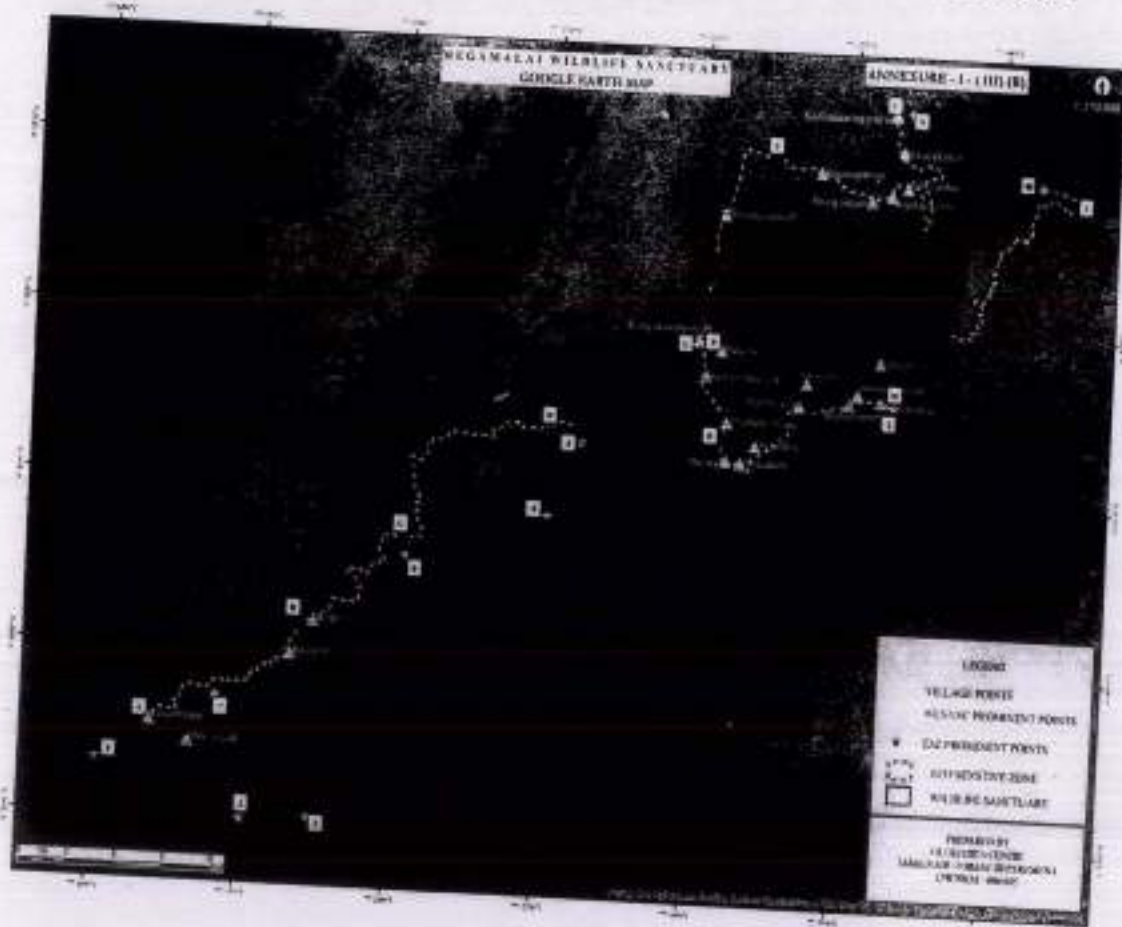
## BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF THE PROTECTED AREA

North	In northern part of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary boundary started from Gandamanur east RF towards east to Andipatty, Elummalai and Doddappanayakanur South RF Joint. It is extended about 10m distance along to the RF Gandamanur East RF and Elumalai RF. In northern boundary of this Sanctuary which is consisting of 4.2 km extended along the Elumalai RF and 5.8 km extended along with Gandamanur East RF.
North East	In the north-east part of the Sanctuary consisting in very less portion of Gandamanur range. Here The boundary started with Andipatti and Elumalai RF Joints on the norther portion of the Sanctuary end. Towards eastern side extending to 3.2km.
East	In the Eastern boundary of Sanctuary extended 18.75km in gandamanur range. This part is consisting of Elumalai and Sulapuram RF. And these RF boundary adjacent to the Village boundary of mudurai district. In other part of the Sanctuary boundary extended about 35km from Kerala Boundary of Southern side. And it starts towards northersn side and ending in chinnamanur range. There was Vannathiprai RF, Koothanachi RF and Erasakkanayakanur RF consisting the eastern boundary of Sanctuary in Cumbu East ange and Chinnamanur Range.
South East	The South east portion boundary is not elongated which part of gandamanur east RF from Mayiladumparai village to Sirangikal mottai and another bit of malakadai village to Araguveli village. It runs through adjacent revinue and village boundary of Gandamanur east RF
South	Thence the boundary runs generally towards North west Direction along the southern boundary of Soolapuram Reserved Forests and meets the south east corner of Elumalai Reserved Forests which is also the common boundary between Andipatty and Usilampatty Taluks. Thence boundary runs, through the 19km, along the Kerala state boundary till it meet trijunction point of interstate lines and southern point of Peermedu Ghat road.
South West	In South west part consisting about 25km distance from Mayiladimparai village to paluthu village. It is running towards from south to nother side of the gandamanur east RF of Gandamanur Range.
West	Thence boundary runs towards northern-eastern direction along the Peermedu Ghat road and thence along the northern boundary of Melagudalur Reserved Forests and thence the boundary runs in northern-eastern and western sides along the peak 425 near 520, near Pandarathurai 404, near 712, 430, 498, 521 runs generally north along the eastern notified boundary of Cumbum Valley east Reserved Forests (Dhonikaradu Block) notified under section 16 of the Tamil Nadu Forest Act 1882 till to meet the starting point. Thence it is running towards erasakkanayakanur RF till the thenpalani or Alagapuri village. This is extened about 75 km distance going through from south to northern wards. And another bit of Gandamanur east RF consisting about 11km running towards south to north.
North West	Thence the boundary runs generally towards north and north east direction along the common taluk boundary of Usilampatty and Andipatty which is also the eastern side of Gandamanaickanur Reserved Forests land till it meets the southern boundary of Andipatty southern slopes Rerved Forests, which is the south west point of Andipatty south Reserved Forests. Hence the boundary runs generally towards east and north east direction along the southern boundary of Andipatty south slope Reserved Forests, which is the common boundary of Andipatty and Usilampatty taluks and meets the starting point.

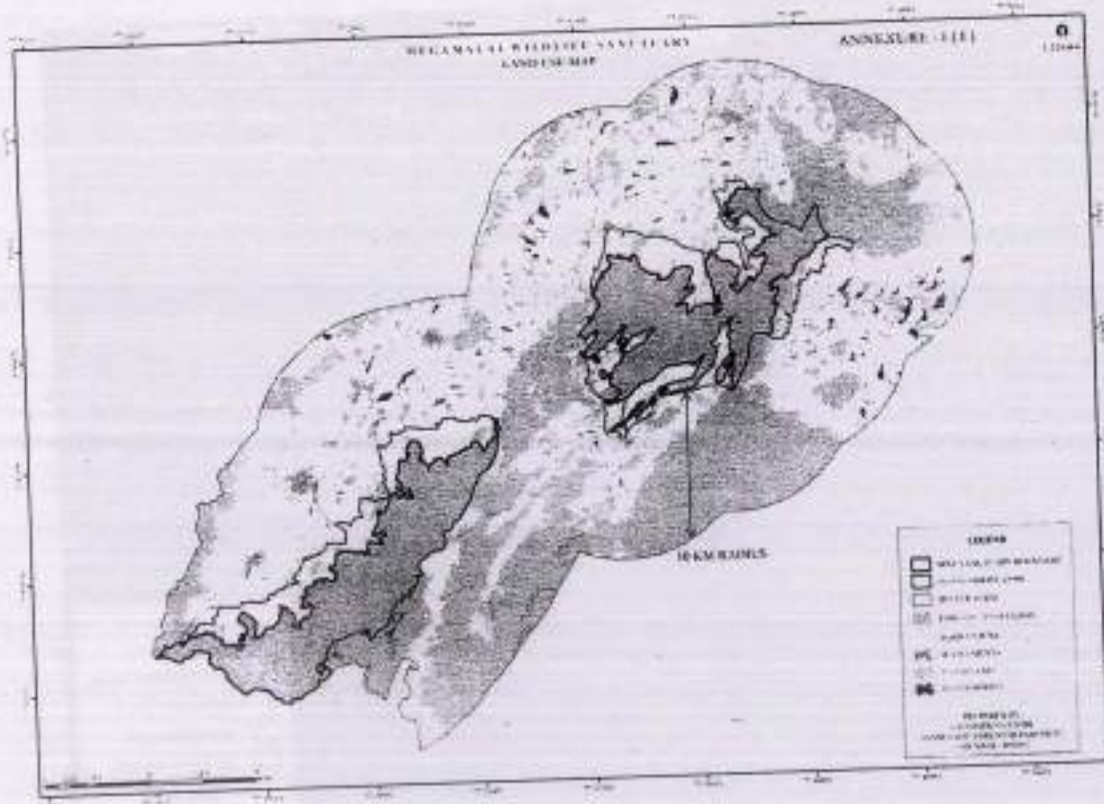
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ANNEXURE- IIA

GOOGLE MAP OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF MEGAMALAI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



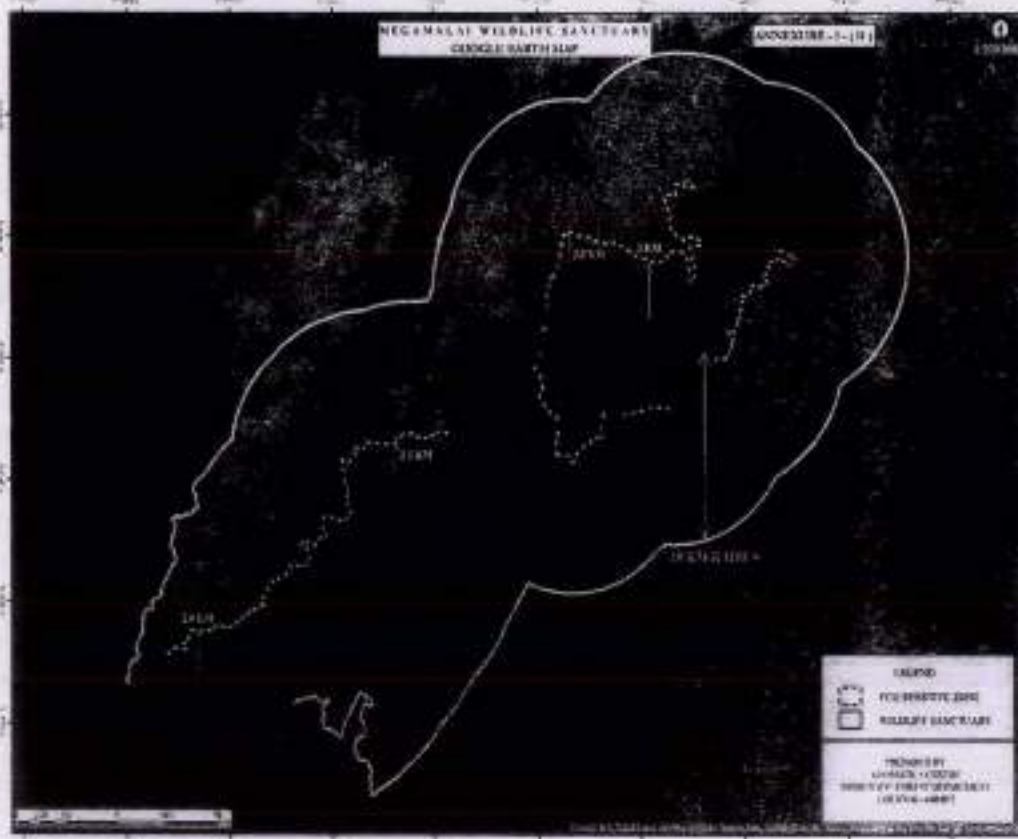
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**ANNEXURE- IIB**

**GOOGLE MAP OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF MEGAMALAI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY**





ANNEXURE- IIC

MAP OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF MEGAMALAI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY ON SURVEY OF INDIA (SOI) TOPOSHEET

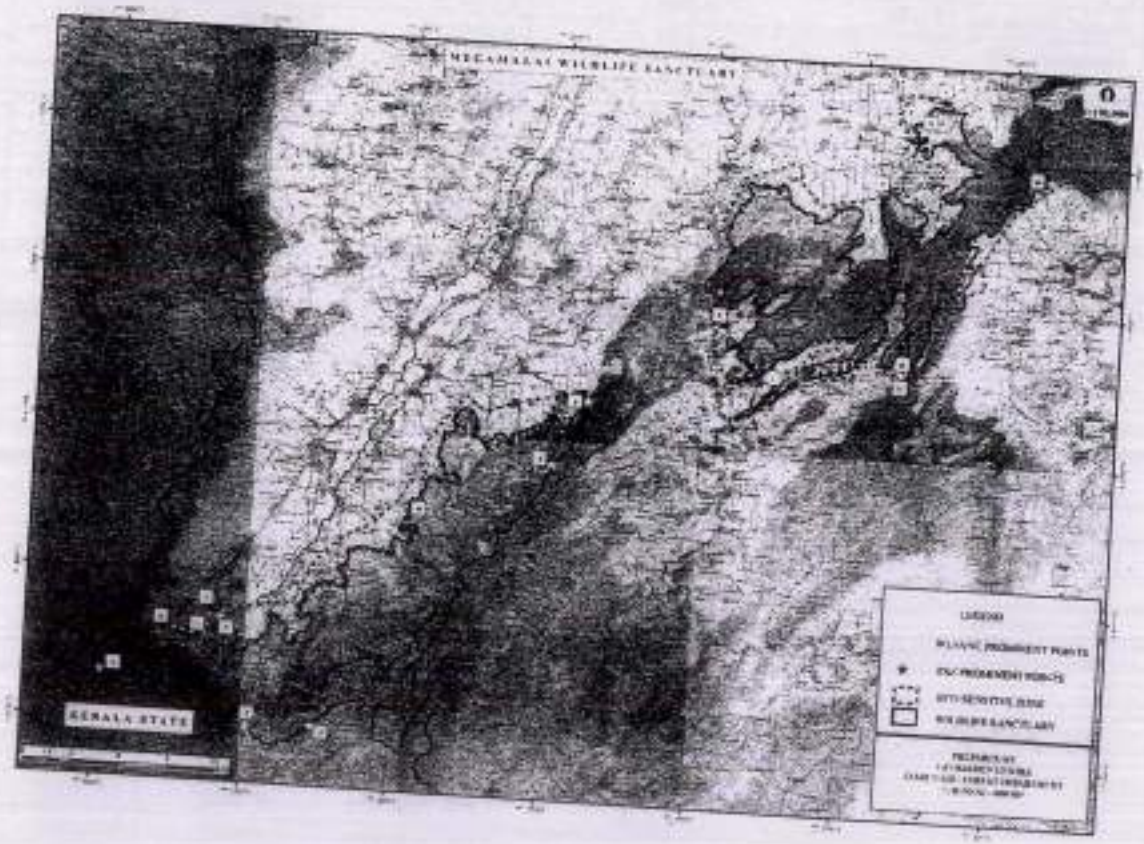
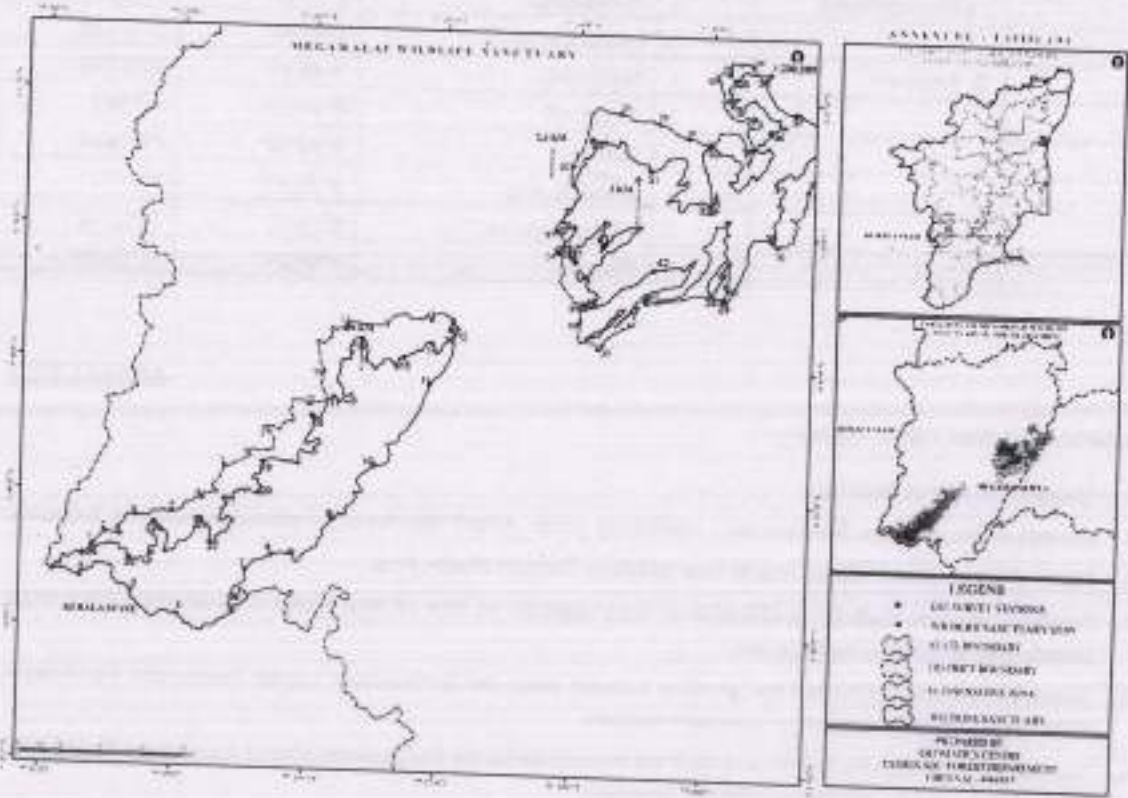


TABLE A: Latitude-Longitude of Prominent Locations of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary, Tamil Nadu

S.No.	Location	Distance (in links) KM	Angle /Bearing	Lat	Long
1	Kumuli Kerala and TN Joint	2.06	E-(102.42°)	9°36'35"	77°10'12"
2	Amaravathi Hill	3.77	E-(105.1°)	9°36'21"	77°11'17"
3	Mangalathevi Top	3.55	E-(115.99°)	9°35'50"	77°13'19"
4	Mavadi	4.11	NE-(85.73°)	9°34'59"	77°15'11"
5	Vattaparai	0.97	N-(10.09°)	9°35'6"	77°17'24"
6	Venniyar Road	2.22	N-(15.24°)	9°35'38"	77°17'33"
7	Maharajamettu	2.05	NE(56.92°)	9°36'47"	77°17'51"
8	Venniyar	5.07	NE-(57.61°)	9°37'22"	77°18'51"
9	Highways Power line	4.87	NE-(6.69°)	9°38'50"	77°21'14"
10	Megamalai Estate boundary	7.20	NE-(36.69°)	9°40'58"	77°22'52"
11	Erasai RF Top	4.5	NE-(25.32°)	9°44'13"	77°25'1"
12	Near Alagapuri Village	0.42	SW-(254.71°)	9°46'25"	77°26'6"
13	Shanmuganathi East side	1.62	SW-(231.3°)	9°46'22"	77°25'49"
14	Shanmuganathi West Side	2.34	SW-(243.2°)	9°45'49"	77°25'6"
15	Erasakanayakanur RF	3.34	NW-(292.86°)	9°45'15"	77°23'56"
16	Dhonikaradu RF Boundary	4.65	SW-(205.2°)	9°45'57"	77°22'15"
17	Puvathukaradu RF Boundary	2.01	SW-(226.6°)	9°43'38"	77°21'11"
18	Surulifalls Road	4.9	SW-(224.83°)	9°42'54"	77°20'20"
19	Bodakaradu RF Boundary	2.3	S-(184.92°)	9°41'1"	77°18'26"
20		2.45	SW-(257.1°)	9°39'47"	77°18'17"
21	Minnilayam Road	3.4	S-(198.4°)	9°39'31"	77°16'58"
22	Kappuvamadai RF Boundary	1.7	N-(339.42°)	9°37'48"	77°16'25"
23		3.4	SW-(264.1°)	9°38'42"	77°16'2"
24		3.14	SW-(212.53°)	9°38'32"	77°14'11"
25	Paliyankodi	2.88	NW-(288.93°)	9°37'5"	77°13'14"
26	O point	3.34	SW-(236.72°)	9°37'33"	77°11'45"
27	Paloothu	1.41	NW-(298.65°)	9°49'10"	77°30'40"
28	Kombakaranpaliyur	1.66	N-(353.49°)	9°49'31"	77°29'59"
29	Tanathottam	7.05	N-(19.68°)	9°50'24"	77°29'53"
30	Gandomanur East RF	4.81	NE-(116.5°)	9°54'0"	77°31'13"
31	Virumanuthu	4.92	SE-(117.96°)	9°52'48"	77°33'35"
32	Velapparkoil	4.34	N-(0.27°)	9°51'32"	77°35'60"
33	Theppanpatti	4.48	NE-(74.86°)	9°53'52"	77°35'57"
34	Palacombei	4.33	NW-(324.28°)	9°54'28"	77°38'16"
35	Narasingapuram	2.57	NE(81.0°)	9°56'28"	77°36'51"
36	Andipattu RF Joint	3.00	SE(121.34°)	9°56'41"	77°38'16"
37	Ezhumalai and Andipatti RF Joint	1.54	SW(212.62°)	9°55'7"	77°39'14"
38	Ezhumalai RF South Boundary	3.78	SE(107.51°)	9°54'29"	77°41'19"
39	Near Mallapuram Road	9.33	SW(212.67°)	9°50'9"	77°38'25"
40	Mallapuram to Mayiladumparai Road	5.33	SW(217.7°)	9°47'49"	77°36'34"
41	Manthisonai	5.4	W(290°)	9°47'47"	77°33'28"
42	Sirappani	2.21	SW(193.3°)	9°48'55"	77°33'46"
43	Mayiladumparai	4.27	W(263.6°)	9°48'7"	77°31'56"

**ANNEXURE- IIE**

**MAP OF ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF MEGAMALAI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY ALONG WITH LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE OF PROMINENT LOCATIONS**



**ANNEXURE-IV****LIST OF VILLAGE AREA COMING UNDER ECO-SENSITIVE ZONE OF MEGAMALAI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY ALONG WITH GEO-COORDINATES**

Name of District	Name of Taluk	S. No	Name of the Villages	Lat	Long
Theni	1. Uthamapalayam	1	Paliyarkudi	9°37'10"	77°13'17"
		2	Lower Camp	9°37'44"	77°11'56"
	2. Andipatti	1	Nariyuthu	9°46'35"	77°31'58"
		2	Arugaveli	9°49'10"	77°36'5"
		3	Paluthu	9°49'19"	77°30'44"
		4	Kodaliyuthu	9°56'46"	77°37'1"
		5	Thoppiyapuram	9°48'11"	77°35'22"
		6	Siraparai	9°48'29"	77°33'39"

**ANNEXURE-V****Performa of Action Taken Report:—**

1. Number and date of Meetings.
2. Minutes of the meetings: Mention main noteworthy points. Attach Minutes of the meeting as separate Annexure.
3. Status of preparation of Zonal Master Plan including Tourism Master Plan
4. Summary of cases dealt for rectification of error apparent on face of land record (Eco-sensitive Zone wise). Details may be attached as Annexure.
5. Summary of cases scrutinised for activities covered under the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006. Details may be attached as separate Annexure.
6. Summary of cases scrutinised for activities not covered under the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006. Details may be attached as separate Annexure.
7. Summary of complaints lodged under section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
8. Any other matter of importance.

TABLE B: Latitude-Longitude of Prominent Locations of Eco-Sensitive Zone

S.No	Remark	Distance (in links) KM	Angle /Bearing	N	E
1	Tank	-	-	9.94973	77.62649
2	varadharajpuram canal	2.11 Km	279.26 (W)	9.95293	77.60739
3	Revenue Karadu	7.6 Km	165.26 (SE)	9.88674	77.62513
4	Angalamman Koil, theppampatty ganesapuram to RF Road	3.44 KM	286 (W)	9.89573	77.59498
5	(Virumanoothu)	3.7 Km	258.52 (SW)	9.88916	77.56113
6	Kadamalaiigunda Road	5.03 KM	285.9 (W)	9.90178	77.51701
7	Paloothu Road near karadu	9.1 KM	187.91 (S)	9.820287	77.50544
8	Mayiladumparai-moolakadai road	4.48 KM	139.71 (SE)	9.78986	77.5321
9	silliampuli odai crossing road	5.47 KM	83.61 (E)	9.795076	77.58178
10	Mallapuram road and RF Joint	3.09 KM	87.80 (E)	9.79667	77.60947
11	Stoany waste(Karadu)	7.56 KM	39.62 (NE)	9.84826	77.65381
12	Tank	1.45 KM	344.47 (NW)	9.86094	77.65042
13	Karadu	6.34 KM	4.46 (NE)	9.90556	77.68834
14	Odaipatti Erasai, try junction point and manjal nathi metal road	-	-	9.77733	77.42844
15	manjalnathi bund start	0.44 KM	193.37 (S)	9.773379	77.42745
16	Manjal nathi dam near Tamerind tree	0.36 KM	273.05 (W)	9.7735	77.42418
17	Puthampatti road junction	0.41 KM	319.72 (NW)	9.77627	77.4218
18	Vellaiman Odai Bridge	2.91 KM	257.30 (SW)	9.77047	77.39588
19	Sivan koil, CMR and Cum range joint road	1.95 KM	250.18 (SW)	9.7644	77.37899
20	Wine factory outer	1.54 KM	310.98 (NW)	9.77333	77.36836
21	new Quarry proposal	11.21 KM	216.83 (SW)	9.69256	77.30669
22	Small Karadu near Bodakaradu RF	5.57 KM	217.55 (SW)	9.6524	77.27591
23	Vettukadu road and Vairavanaru joint (Bridge)	4.97 KM	261.58 (W)	9.6463	77.23113
24	Vettukadu and kanjimarathu Odai	1.95 KM	194.73 (SW)	9.62879	77.22655
25	Knnagi koil, paliyangudi Road Junction	0.38 KM	306.37 (NW)	9.63081	77.22381
26	'O' Point lower camp	2.21 Km	282.14 (W)	9.63503	77.20408

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

DATE: 10/15/54

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1001	JOHN DOE	123 MAIN ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/10/54
1002	JANE SMITH	456 BROADWAY	NEW YORK	NY	10/11/54
1003	WILLIAM BROWN	789 PINE AVE	NEW YORK	NY	10/12/54
1004	MARY GREEN	1010 E 125TH ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/13/54
1005	CHARLES WHITE	2020 5TH AVE	NEW YORK	NY	10/14/54
1006	ELIZABETH BLACK	3030 3RD ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/15/54
1007	HENRY GRAY	4040 1ST AVE	NEW YORK	NY	10/16/54
1008	SARAH KING	5050 2ND ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/17/54
1009	JAMES HILL	6060 4TH ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/18/54
1010	MARGARET WOOD	7070 6TH ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/19/54
1011	ROBERT BAKER	8080 8TH ST	NEW YORK	NY	10/20/54
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**UO Note**

Ref. No. WL5/1662/2023

O/o. the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Forest Head Quarters Building,  
Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Near Kanikapuram Check  
Post, Chennai - 32. Dated: 30-01-2023

Sub: Proposal for the construction of Kumuly border police check post at Kumuly in Theni District, Suranganar RF, Cumbum West Range-0.018 Ha land is required - Regarding.

Ref: Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) Ref. No. TS4/32117/2016 dated 30-12-2022.

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With reference to the above, it is informed that the final Eco Sensitive Zone notification of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary have been issued by the Government of India vide S.O. No. 3651 (E) dated 10-10-2019 to an extent of various from 'Zero' Km to 1.7 Km. The proposed police check post is 20 meter away from the notified Eco Sensitive Zone, since on that side is 'zero' meter Eco Sensitive Zone fixed.

Further as per the recent Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 03-06-2022 in I.A. No. 1000 of 2003 in WP (C) No. 202 of 1995 in Para No. 44 (e) stated that:-

*"In the event any activity is already being undertaken within the one kilometre or extended buffer zone (ESZ), as the case may be, of any wildlife sanctuary or national park which does not come within the ambit of prohibited activities as per the 9th February 2011 Guidelines, such activities may continue with permission of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of each State or Union Territory and the person responsible for such activities in such a situation shall obtain necessary permission within a period of six months. Such permission shall be given once the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is satisfied that the activities concerned do not come within the prohibited list and were continuing prior to passing of this order in a legitimate manner. No new permanent structure shall be permitted to come up for whatsoever purpose within the ESZ."*

Further as per the Government of India letter dated 31-05-2022, the proposed work has already been undertaken before the issuance of the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in I.A. No. 1000 of 2003 and the work is not a prohibited activity. Hence, this work may be permitted.

Sd/- Akash Deep Baruah  
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
and Chief Wildlife Warden

To  
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (FCA),  
O/o. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force),  
Chennai - 32.

/True Copy / by Order/

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Senior Drafting Officer  
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