

From

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Nodal Officer, F(C)Act &
Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA,
Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud,
Thiruvananthapuram – 695014.

To

The Assistant Inspector General of Forest (FC),
Indira Paryawaran Bhawan,
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Aligang, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110003.

Sir,

Sub :- Kerala Forest & Wildlife Department – Renewal of leased forest land of 94.08 ha of ICAR-IISR Experimental Farm, Peruvannamuzhi Kozhikode - regarding.

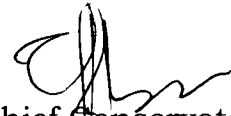
Ref :- Letter F.No. 8-05/2018-FC dated 19.12.2019 & 27.05.2022 of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Kind attention is invited to the above subject. The details/documents sought from that end vide reference cited are furnished below.

1. Detailed land use plan for building and roads with justification - attached as Annexure – I.
2. Lease deed - attached as Annexure-2.
3. DGPS Map – attached as Annexure-3.
4. The land was transferred to User Agency in 1976 on lease. As the project was implemented before the enactment of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the proposal is for renewal of lease and because the User Agency is involved in Spices Research and that land use is for an experimental farm, compensatory afforestation may be exempted.
5. As the land was transferred before the enactment of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the present proposal is for the renewal of lease, the Compensatory Afforestation may be exempted. In this situation, the KML and DGPS files may be avoided.

6. Recommendation was made from State Government in PARIVESH portal.
7. As the land was transferred to User Agency before 1980, and the present proposal is for renewal of lease, Net Present Value may be exempted.
8. As the lease area is outside the Malabar Wildlife sanctuary (only the adjoining areas are part of the wildlife sanctuary) the proposal may be exempted from wildlife clearance.

Yours faithfully,



Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Nodal Officer, F(C) Act &
Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA

Copy to Principal Secretary, Forest & Wildlife (Letter No. C2/148/2021/F&WLD dated 28.06.2022). Kindly upload the recommendation in the Parivesh Portal.



2. JUSTIFICATION FOR ROADS, BUILDINGS, TANKS, ETC.

The following buildings and infrastructure have been developed to facilitate research work as per permission issued by G.O.M.S. No. 232/76/Agri. dt. 3.7.76 of Agriculture (PDGI Department) of Kerala Government. The details of buildings and other infrastructure are given in tables I and II.

I. BUILDINGS/STRUCTURES

Various buildings (both permanent and semi permanent) have been constructed in the farm during the past 25 years as follows:

i) Farm office and Store

The farm office serves as the centre for administration of farm by the Farm Superintendent and provides space for the technical and supporting staff and other office paraphernalia pertaining to farm including records. Since it is a small structure it is planned to renovate it to a big building to accommodate and provide facilities to staff in the next plan.

ii) Lab-cum-ginger store

This building is necessary to serve as a field laboratory for taking up laboratory studies on various spices and several laboratory equipments such as ovens, balances, computers, microscopes etc. are kept in safe custody. A part of the building is used for storing seed material of ginger and turmeric germplasm on a permanent basis. It also provides the sitting place for Scientists/trainees arriving from head office. It is also planned to expand the lab facilities to accommodate more scientists.

iii) Single room accommodation

Four self contained single rooms are available in the farm. These are provided for temporary stay of scientific or other staff who come for field work to the farm from the headquarters and also for stay of temporary staff such as Research Fellows, etc.

iv) Store, Tool room, Two wheeler shed

A store is available to keep fertilizers, pesticides, farm produce, etc. in safe custody and is near farm office. Attached with it is tool room to keep pump repair tools and space to keep two wheelers.

v) Canteen

A Canteen building is available to serve food to the staff working in the farm, the total staff strength being 40. In addition, KVK trainees are also provided with food numbering about 30 per day.

vi & vii) Nematology and Pathology sheds

These have been provided for nematological and pathological studies on spices.

viii) Quarters

One Type-IV, two Type-III, four Type-II quarters and water supply systems, have been provided for the stay of staff working in the farm because of the remote location in the midst of forests and accommodation in nearby areas are not available and also for effective supervision and protection of the farm. Additionally, one type V, five type-IV, seven type-III and eight type-II quarters are also planned to be made in future. In addition, generator facility of 100 KVA is under implementation as a source of electric supply, which is highly irregular in the area.

ix) Pump houses

Six pump houses (one outside the farm) are available to protect the diesel as well as electric pump sets from extreme weather, theft and other interference. These pumps are needed to supply water to various plots including drinking water. In addition four pump houses are being constructed in a phased way.

x) Green houses

Three green houses are available for conservation of germplasm of pepper, tree spices, ginger and turmeric. These are covered with polynets.

xi) Semi permanent sheds

Forty-five semi permanent sheds of 24 x 6 m size covered with poly sheets are constructed for maintenance of germplasm (biodiversity), production of various planting materials for sale, for experimental studies for keeping plants protected from sunlight and rain etc.

xii, xiii & xiv) KVK buildings

Three buildings are provided to the Kishit Vigyan Kendra for its functioning i.e. one class-cum-guest room (old KVK office), one administrative building and one farmers' hostel. The aims of KVK are to impart training to farmers and officials in latest farming practices, conduct on farm testing and front line demonstrations, carry out advisory services to farmers and conduct other agricultural extension services to promote agriculture. The buildings serve as class rooms, administration facility, lab for demonstration, library for information, space for staff and the conference hall for Kisan melas, seminars, etc. The hostel is meant for accommodating farmer trainees to conduct residential training programmes and has facilities for cooking, canteen etc.

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The third building was made earlier for KVK but now it is used for storing farm stores and as a staying facility for staff.

xv) Garage

This has been constructed for sheltering jeep, van, tractor, power tiller and two motorbikes provided in the farm for transport and communication, since the headquarters is 60 km away and also for extension work throughout KVK.

xvi) Store-cum-stage

The existing store space is inadequate in view of the expanded activity in the farm and hence an additional facility is already under implementation.

xvii) Workshop

One agricultural engineer is posted to the farm to develop post harvest technologies for spices. Therefore a workshop is essential for developing machineries and included in the development plan of the farm.

xviii) Demonstration unit of machinery

This unit is included in future plans to have and to hold demonstrations of farm machinery used for post harvest handling of spices for research, demonstration and training purpose for farmers, extension workers, officials, etc. Post harvest handling has become paramount in the present global economic scenario and the facility is very essential.

xix) Germplasm shed

This was constructed for maintenance of germplasm nursery and is still used fully.

xx) Watchman's cabin

This has been provided near the main gate as office-cum-stay facility for security staff who are involved in watch and ward of the farm.

xxi) Potting shed

One shed has been provided in tree spices nursery to keep potting mixture to aid in planting material production.

xxii) Boundary wall

A boundary wall of 6000 metres length has been constructed to protect the experimental plots from poachers, wild animals and to demarcate the boundaries. One main gate at the entrance and three other gates have been constructed to regulate traffic to and from the farm.

Annexure H

LEASE DEED

THIS LEASE DEED is executed on this the Second day of August one thousand nine hundred and seventy six BETWEEN the Governor of Kerala (hereinafter called 'the Lessor') of the one part and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (hereinafter called 'the Lessee' of the other part.

WHEREAS at the request of the lessee, the lessor has in G.O. (Ms) No. 366/75/AD dated 8-12-1975 agreed to lease an extent of 250 acres (101.173 ha.) of forest land comprised in Pannikkottur Reserve in Pillapperuvanna Malavaram, in Kozhikode Division more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereunder written and plan hereto attached for a period of twenty five years for the purpose of establishing a spices Research Station in Kerala subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter contained :

(Sd/-) K.V. Ahamed Lavappa

(Sd/-) K. Sasidharan Nair

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NOW THERE PRESENTS WITNESS ARE IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS

In consideration of the rents and other payments herein reserved and of the covenants on the part of the lease, hereinafter contained, the lessor doth hereby demise unto the lessee by way of lease an extent of 250 acres (101.173 ha) of forest land comprised in Pannikkottur Reserve in Pilla-paruvanna Malavaram in Kozhikode Division more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereunder written and plan hereto attached and coloured red in the plan TO HOLD THE same for a period of twenty five years from 2-8-1976 for the purpose of establishing a Spices Research station in Kerala.

2. The lessee shall pay a rent of Rs.2.50 (Rupees two and paise fifty only) per hectare per annum every year during the continuance of the lease.

3. The lessee shall pay the annual rent herein reserved on or before first December of the preceeding year to the Divisional Forest Officer, Kozhikode. The lessee shall execute the work of construction for which the land is leased out within a period of two years from the date of execution of this agreement failing which the lease will be cancelled and the area will be resumed.

4. The lessee shall have the right to construct buildings and to make other improvements which are necessary for the establishment of the Spices Research Station. On the expiration of the period for which this lease has been granted, or of the extension thereto, or sooner determination thereto as provided under these presents the lessee shall peaceably and quietly surrender to the lessor, the lease hold after removing the building or buildings put up by the lessee and all other improvements effected by the lessee, if the lessor does not take them over at a valuation to be mutually agreed upon.

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5. The lessor reserves unto himself the right to revise the annual rent and re-fix it on the expiry of every five years from the date of execution of this agreement and the lessee shall be bound to pay the revised rate of rent as may be fixed by the lessor.

6. The lessee shall not assign or sublet his right under this deed in respect of the lease-hold or any portion thereof or otherwise deal with the lease hold without the previous consent in writing of the lessor.

7. If the rent herein reserved or any part hereof remains in arrears or if there is breach of all or any of the terms and conditions herein contained, this lease shall immediately be determined and it shall then be competent for the lessor to enter on the demised premises and evict the lessee under the provisions of the Kerala Land Conservancy Act 1957, as if these presents had not been executed.

8. The lessor shall have the right to resume the land if the lessee does not use the land for the purpose for which it was leased out within the period of two years or such further extended period as may be permitted by the lessee, to be reckoned from the date of execution of the agreement.

9. The lessee shall not without the previous consent in writing of the lessor, use or permit the use of the properties hereby demised or any portion of the same for any purpose other than that for which the same was granted. In case, anything contrary to this condition is noticed, the lease will be cancelled.

10. The lessee shall pay all rates and taxes that may be imposed or levied by any authority whatsoever in respect of the leasehold. The lessee shall allow any officer of the Forest Department not below the rank of a Forester whenever required to enter upon the land for the purpose of verifying whether the matters provided for in the lease deed have been complied with.

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11. Should the lessee violate any of the terms and conditions of this lease, or in any way act prejudicially to the interests of the lessor, the lease will be cancelled and all amounts due to the lessor by way of rent or by way of damages or otherwise shall be paid by the lessee.

12. The lessee shall be liable for all or any injury or damage done to the said land and other Government property thereon and the lessor shall have the right to realise the logs if any on account of the said damage from the lessee.

13. The lessor hereby covenants with the lessee that the lessee paying rent hereby reserved and performing and observing all the terms, conditions and covenants herein contained may hold and enjoy the said lands during the said period without any lawful interruption by the lessor.

14. It is hereby declared that the executants hereof on behalf of the lessee are competent to and have been authorised to execute these Presents by virtue of (hereafter the authority) Indian Council of Agricultural Research. Letter No.F.1-46/74-EB-II(1) dated the 9th August, 1974.

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In witness Whereof Shri K. Sasidharan Nair, Divisional Forest Officer, Kozhikode Division for and on behalf of the Governor of Kerala and Dr. K.V. Ahamed Bavappa, Director, Central Plantation Crops Research Institute, Kasaragod for and on behalf of the lessee Indian Council of Agricultural Research have hereunto set their hands and the seal has hereto been affixed on the day and year first above written.

Schedule

(Here enter details of the area)

21.12 hectares of forest land comprised in Pannikottur Reserve in Pillapparuvanna Malavaram in Kozhikode Division.

Sd.

Signed by Dr. K.V. Ahamed Bavappa
for and on behalf of the lessee

In the presence of witnesses:

1. (sd.) Dr. M.K. Nair, Breeder, CPCRI (RS) Calicut
2. (sd.) T.V. Rajagopalan, Accts Officer, CPCRI (RS) Calicut

Sd.

Signed by Shri K. Sasidharan Nair
in the presence of witnesses:

1. (sd.) K.K. Vasudevan, Manager, Divisional Forest Office,
Calicut-20
2. (sd.) K. Ramadasan, D/Man Divisional Forest Office, Calicut-20

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Asst. Administrative Officer
National Research Centre for Spices
Marikunnu P. O., Calicut-12 (Kerala)

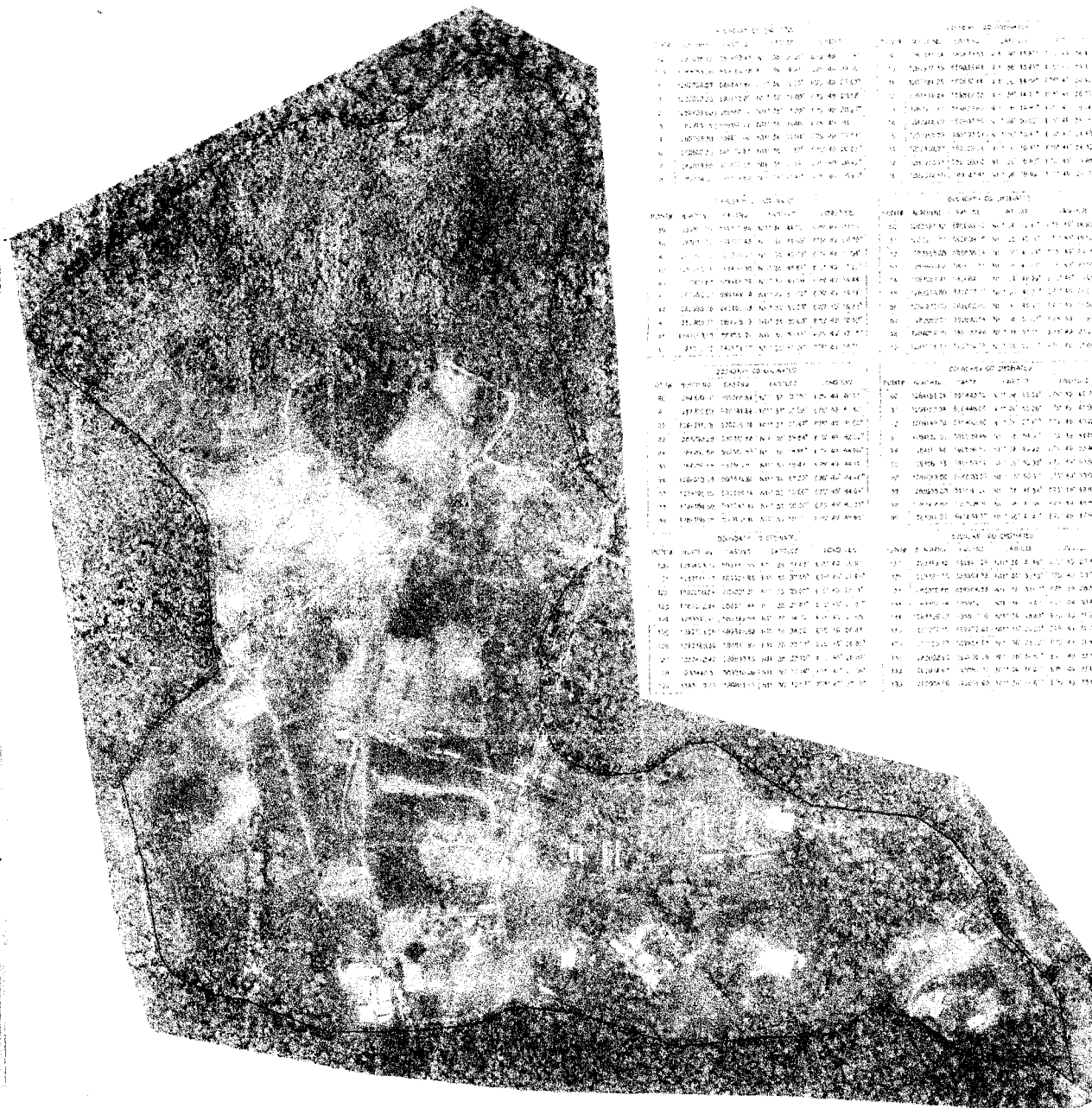
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AERIAL MAPPING WITH UAV-DGPS MAP OF FOREST LAND AT
ICAR-IISR, PERUVANNAMUZHI, KOZHIKODE

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