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### **SITE INSPECTION REPORT**

The project proposal is for the laying of underground pipeline in the existing road side under the Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Malayattoor Neleeswaram Panchayath in Ernakulam district. The forest area proposed for the scheme is part of Malayattoor – Idiyara Reserve situated under Kurisumudy Forest Station of Nature Study Centre, Kalady Division. The area proposed to be diverted for this project is 0.313040 Ha and the extent of forest road coming under the jurisdiction of the Division is 3.913 Kilometre. The proposed pipeline starts from Illithode pump house and passes through the sides of Bhuthathan Kettu – Kadappara Forest Road up to Kadappara Junction, then continues up to Chelachuvadu. Diversion of an area of 0.46956 Ha of forest land for this project has already been recommended at the time when original project proposal was received. Later, the user agency has submitted a revised proposal as per which the extent of area required to be diverted under this division is 0.313040 Ha. On receiving recommendation from Assistant Forest Conservator, Nature Study Centre, Kalady, the undersigned have inspected this area on 14-12-2021 and found that the total length of the pipe line is 3913 Metre and the forest area required to be diverted is 0.313040 Ha under the jurisdiction of the division. As per the proposal, cutting of trees is not required. The GPS readings of the starting point of the project under the Division – Illithode canal boundary area is  $10^{\circ} 12' 6.7261'' N$   $76^{\circ} 31' 9.637'' E$  and midpoint – Kadappara Junction is  $10^{\circ} 11' 55.77'' N$   $07^{\circ} 63' 14.42'' E$  and that of end point chelachuvadu is  $10^{\circ} 12' 27.04'' N$   $07^{\circ} 62' 920.26'' E$ . As per the details uploaded by the user agency, the proposed area comes under the Malayattoor village of Aluva Taluk in Ernakulam district. The area proposed to be diverted does

not have any rare endangered/ unique species of flora. Moreover, there is no protected/archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment located in the area.

In view of the above, it is seen that the drinking water supply scheme is very essential for the welfare of the local people and the proposed diversion is for underground pipeline and in no way a threat to the forest and wildlife. Hence, the diversion of forest land of 0.313040 Ha under the Division for the KIIFB- Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Malayattoor – Neeleswaram & Ayyampuzha Panchayath proposal is recommended.

Yours faithfully,



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