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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Forest and Wildlife (C) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 25/2007/F&WLD. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 16th May, 2007.

S. R. O. No. 439/2007.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Kerala Forest Act, 1961 (Act 4 of 1962), the Government of Kerala hereby declare that it is proposed to constitute the lands, the situation and limits of which are specified in the schedule below as a reserved forest and appoint the Revenue Divisional Officer, Idukki, as the Forest Settlement Officer to enquire into and determine the existence, nature and extent of any right claimed by or alleged to exist in favour of any person in or over any land comprised within the limits of the proposed reserve forest or to any forest produce of such land and to deal with the same as provided in the said Act.

The Government of Kerala hereby also appoint the Divisional Forest Officer, Munnar as the officer to attend, on behalf of the Government at the enquiry held by the Forest Settlement Officer as per the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE

Description of the land :

District	:	Idukki
Taluk	:	Devikulam
Name of the Forest Division	:	Mankulam Special Division
Range	:	Mankulam & Anakulam Ranges
Village	:	Mankulam
Panchayat	:	Mankulam
Locality	:	Mankulam Resumed Land
Survey No.	:	75 part and 77 part
Extent of land	:	9005.72 ha. (22253.37 acres)
		(excluding the assigned lands)

Boundaries

North:—The northern boundary of the proposed Reserve Forest runs along the southern boundary of the Munnar range of Munnar Division towards east starting from Anakulam River at Oosimala along the boundary of Mankulam Village till Pampadumpara, then along the southern boundary of Eravikulam National Park till the boundary of Kadalar Tea Estate of M/s. Tata Tea Limited.

East:— The eastern boundary runs along the southern boundary Kadalar, Chalamala, Nallathanni, Kallar and Latchmi Tea estates owned by M/s. Tata Tea Limited in KDH concession land.

South:—The southern boundary runs along the northern boundary of Latchmi Tea Estate and Kainagiri estate towards west till it reaches the eastern boundary of Adimaly range of Munnar division.

West:— The western boundary runs along the eastern boundary of Adimaly range of Munnar division touching the boundary of Plamalakudy to Perumbankuthu and reaches Anakulam along the boundary of Malayattur division and then along Anakulam river till it reaches Oosimala.

By order of the Governor,

L. RADHAKRISHNAN,

Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

As per letter No. C4-37166/77 dated 11-4-1980 of the District Collector, Idukki addressed to Divisional Forest Officer, Munnar Division an area of 9005.72 ha. (22253.37 acres) comprised in survey No. 75/Part and 77/Part of Kannan Devan Tea Village was handed over to the Forest Department for protection. This area is part of the resumed land as per the Kannan Devan Hills (Resumption of Lands) Act, 1971. The area supports evergreen and semi evergreen forests and is a repository of rich bio-diversity. Though the area is being protected by the Forest Department from 11-4-1980 constituting the same as Mankulam Forest Division, the status of the land continued to be revenue land. Therefore, the forest laws are not applicable to the area at present and the department is finding it difficult to protect the area from encroachment and smuggling. To properly protect and manage the area, it is absolutely necessary to bring the area under the status of a reserved forest. Government therefore decided to declare the area as a reserved forest as per section 4 of the Kerala Forest Act 1961 (Act 4 of 1962).

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.