

NOTIFICATION OF PERIYAR NATIONAL PARK

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Forests and Wildlife (F) Department
NOTIFICATION

G.O. (P) No.65/2003/F&WLD dated Thiruvananthapuram, 20th December 03

WHEREAS the Government of Kerala have as per the Notification issued under G.O. (P) 310/82/AD dated, the 27th October, 1982 and published as S.R.O. No.1407/82 in Kerala Gazette No.46 dated the 23rd November, 1982, have declared their intention to constitute the area mentioned therein as a National Park to be known as "Periyar National Park".

AND WHEREAS, besides, the area of 350 square kilometers specified in the said Notification, three private estates falling in the vicinity of the said area, namely, Lakshmipara (28.74 hectares), Mlappara (21.44 hectares) ad Nedunthottom (4.2 hectares) have been acquired and added to the above said core zone, the total area of which works out to 54.38 hectares that is 0.54 km²;

AND WHEREAS, the Government of Kerala consider that the area, the situation and limits of which are specified in the Schedule below, is of great ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphologic and zoological importance;

AND WHEREAS, it appears to the Government of Kerala that the said area need be constituted as a National Park for the purpose of protections and propagating the Wildlife, especially the Tiger (*Panthera tiris tigris*), therein and its environment;

Now, THEREFORE, under sub section (1) of Section 35 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (Central Act 53 of 1972), and in supercession of the Notification G.O. (P) No.310/82/AD dated the 27th October, 1982 published as S.R.O. No.1407/82 dated the 27th October 1982 in the Kerala Gazette No.46 dated 23rd November 1982, the Government of Kerala hereby declare their intention to constitute the area specified in the Schedule hereto as a National Park to be known as Periyar National Park.

All persons claiming interest if any over the said land shall prefer their claims before the Secretary to Government, Forest and Wildlife Department, Government Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram within 60 days from the date of publication of this notification.

SCHEDULE

District: Idukki
Taluk : Peermade
Village: Mlappara and Kumily
Name of Blocks : Nil
Extent : 350.54Km²

Situation and limits of the said area:

North: The boundary commences from the point nearest to the Medaganam in the interstate boundary upto Vellimalai.

East: Thence the boundary follows the inter-state boundary from Vellimalai to Kallimalai Peak (1615 M)

South: Thence the boundary follows along the main ridge to Chokkampettymalai Peak (1805 M). Thence along the main ridge to Udumalai (1594 M) (the same boundary which divides Ranni Forest Division and existing Periyar Tiger Reserve).

West: Thence the boundary proceeds due north along the main ridge dividing Periyar Tiger Reserve and Ranni Forest Division to Manikamalai and thence along the ridge to Sundaramalai 1813 M from Sundaramalai the boundary runs along the main ridge to Mangaladevi top 1737 M, and thence to Pachimalai top 1805 M fro Puchimala top the boundary follows the Nallah in itself bank, Nallah coming from Mannarkavala and then proceed along Cherakottai river till it joins the Periyar lake between Pandaravara-malai and Poupara. Thereafter, Periyar Lake pendage from the boundary upto Medaganam where from the boundary continues due north along the Medaganam Odai which takes almost 90 turn due west and then turn again due north along the same stream till interstate boundary to Madurai District above Devi Estate.

By order of the Governor,

LIZZIE JACOB
Principal Secretary to Government.