

Evaluation of Forest Check Posts by Vigilance Wing carried out during January – February 2015

The functioning of all the 62 forest checkpoints in Kerala was evaluated by vigilance wing during January-February 2015. It is a common knowledge that worth of a checkpoint can be known by ascertaining following parameters.

- a) No. of vehicles checked by the checkpoint during a certain period
- b) Revenue generated because of cattle transport, import/export of timber at the interstate checkpoint
- c) No. of offences detected at the checkpoint during a certain period
- d) Whether checking of the vehicle is done by lowering the barricade at all times or vehicles get check themselves at the fancy of the drivers
- e) Whether there is any importance in terms of prevention of forest offences

A gist of the findings for various checkpoints is detailed below. It will be appropriate if a decision regarding continuance of these checkpoints is taken in a meeting involving field officers and senior officers in the headquarters.

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1.	Kottavasal Check Post, Aryankavu Range	1250	2,40,000/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
2.	Neduvannorkadavu Check Post, Thenmala Range	310	Nil	1	N	Y	Y	Y
3.	Parassala Check Post, Paruthippally Range	84	21,000/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Location may be shifted

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4.	Kattalappara Check Post, Shendurney Range	300	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
5.	Vengolla Check Post, Kulathupuzha Range, Sangily Section	115	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
6.	Elavupalam Check Post, Chittar South Section, Kulathupuzha Range	107	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
7.	Anappara Check Post, Kallar Section, Kulathupuzha Range	24	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
8.	Kottavasal Check Post, Achencovil North Section, Achencovil Range	5802	Nil	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
9.	Kanithadam check post thodayar section Thiruvananthapuram division	43	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
10.	Karavoor Check Post, Ambanar Forest Station, Pathanapuram Range	2458	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
11.	Athumpukulam Check Post, North Kumaramperoor Section, Konni Range	514	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
12.	Njanaval Check Post, Karippamthodu Section, Naduvathamoozhi Range	2320	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
13.	Rajampara Check Post, Rajampara Section, Ranni Range	306	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
14.	Vadasserikkara Check Post, Vadasserikkara Section, Vadasserikkara Range	83	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	To be decided
15.	Kochandi Check Post, Kochukoickel Section, Goodrikal Range	914	Nil	Nil	N	Y (No barricade)	N	Y

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16.	Anathode Check Post, Vallakkadavu Range	583	3,83,197/-	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
17.	Vallakkadavu Check Post, Vallakkadavu Range	5600	17,64,205/-	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
18.	Pullupara Check Post, Murinjapuzha Forest Station, Erumely Range	404	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	To be decided
19.	Vazhikadavu Check Post, Vandanpathal Forest Station, Erumely Range	924	Nil	1	N	Y	Y	To be decided
20.	Guruthikulam Check Post, Arakkulam Station, Thodupuzha Range	115	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
21.	Bodimettu Check Post, Bodimettu Section, Devikulam Range	1531	978	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
22.	Chinnar Check Post, Karimutty Section, Chinnar Range	23492	15,650/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
23.	Panamkutty Check Post, Panamkutty Station, Adimaly Range	1217	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y
24.	Thalakode Check Post, Nagarampara Station, Nerimangalam Range	1549	Nil	1	N	N	Y	Y
25.	Thadikulam Check Post, Thadikulam Section, Kothamangalam Range	17	Nil	1	N	Y	N	Y
26.	Chattamunnar Check Post, Nachivayal Section, Marayoor Range	13,064	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
27.	Karimutty Check Post, Karimutty Section, Chinnar Range	23,492	15,650/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
28.	Palar Check Post, Aruvikkadu Section, Devikulam Range	403	Nil	Nil	N	N	N	Y

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29.	Parakkadavu Tana Check Post, Palappilly Range	61	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	N
30.	Mattathoor Check Post, Vellikulangara Section, Vellikulangara Range	146	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	N
31.	Kappathode Check Post, Konnakuzhi Section, Pariyaram Range	368	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	N
32.	Malakkappara Check Post, Malakkappara Section, Sholayar Range	6757	18/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
33.	Karakkad Check Post, Karakkad Section, Kalady Range	3874	Nil	Nil	N	Y	N	N
34.	Kadappara Check Post, Evergreen Section, Kalady Range	1634	Nil	Nil	N	Y	N	Y
35.	Thattekkad Check Post, Anakulam Forest Station, Kuttampuzha Range.	478	Nil	1	N	N	N	Y
36.	Pothundy Check Post, Pothundy Section, Nelliampathy Range	5934	Nil	2	N	N	Y	Y
37.	Minnampara Check Post, Thekkady Station, Kollengode Range	593	20,62,300/-	Nil	N	N	N	Y
38.	Gopalapuram Check Post, Kollengode Section, Kollengode Range	27	3,903/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
39.	Meenakshipuram Check Post, Kollengode Section, Kollengode Range	356	50,613/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
40.	Anappady Check Post, Sungam Range	1073	19,12,610/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y

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41.	Thuthenpara Check Post, Thellikkal Section, Orukomban Range	Nil	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
42.	Keerapady Check Post, Elathode Section, Sungam Range	136	59,000/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
43.	Walayar Check Post, Walayar Section, Walayar Range	175	4,37,501/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
44.	Anakkatti Check Post, Sholayar Section, Agali Range	1053	2,050	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y
45.	Anamooli Check Post, Mannarkkad Section, Mannarkkad Range	162	Nil	1	N	Y	Y	Y
46.	Tholpetty Check Post, Tholpetty Forest Station, Tholpetty Range	2398	8,840/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
47.	Bavely Check Post, Tholpetty Forest Station, Tholpetty Range	1800	187/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
48.	Pazhoor Check Post, Thottamoola Forest Station, Muthanga Range	57	2,040/-	1	Y	N	Y	Y
49.	Muthanga Check Post, Muthanga Forest Station, Muthanga Range	198	3,61,244/-	2	Y	N	Y	Y
50.	Kuppadi Check Post, Kuppadi Forest Station, Kurichiyattu Range	1496	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y But least important
51.	Cholady Check Post, Meppady Range	152	9,136/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
52.	Lakkady Check Post, Kalpetta Section, Kalpetta Range	46	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	Y
53.	Niravilpuzha Check Post, Kunhome Forest Station, Periyar Range	43	Nil	Nil	N	Y	Y	Y

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54.	Nedungayam Check Post, Nedungayam Section, Karulai Range	314	5,20,240/-	Nil	N	Y	Y	Y
55.	Vazhikadavu Check Post, Nellikuthu Section, Vazhikdavu Range	153	15,646/-	Nil	Y	N	Y	Y
56.	Thalappady Check Post, Kasaragod Range	727	1,15,156/-	Nil	Y	No barricade	Y	Y
57.	Kottiyady Check Post, Parappara Section, Kasaragod Range	308	24,467/-	Nil	Y	No barricade	Y *	Y
58.	Panathoor Check Post, Kanhangad Range	48	144/-	Nil	Y	No barricade	Y	Y #
59.	Iritty Check Post, Kottiyoor Range	3516	3,355/-	Nil	Y	Y	Y	Y \$
60.	Kumbummettu Check Post, Kumbummettu Section, Kumbummettu Range	480	Nil	Nil	Y	Y	Not mentioned	Y
61.	Bhoothathankettu Checkpost, Bhoothathankettu section, Thundathil Range	176	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y
62.	Vazhachal Checkpost, Kannankuzhi section, Charpa Range	8806	Nil	Nil	N	N	Y	Y

* Notified watching station

Check post does not serve good for either forest protection or reserve collection. Hence can be shifted to perla, Sute boundary in Kasaragod Range

\$ Recommended to shift Iritty check post to Kootupuzha near state boundary.