

4. MAVINHALLA RESERVED FOREST

The present Mavinhalla Reserved Forest comprises the following old Reserved Forests: -

- (1). Mavinhalla Reserved Forest.
- (2). Ponkuli Reserved Forest.

Limits of Mavinhalla Reserved Forest – Redefined

Fort St.George, July 20, 1940.

No.585, - Whereas the Mavinhalla and Ponkuli reserved forest have been amalgamated into a single reserved forest known as the Mavinhalla Reserved Forests:

And whereas the description of the limits of the Mavinhalla Reserved Forest as amalgamated is not clear in reference to the existing facts:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (4) of section 17-A of the Madras Forest Act, 1882 (Madras Act V of 1882) and in supersession of the notification specified below, His Excellency the Governor of Madras is hereby pleased to redefine the limits of Mavinhalla Reserved Forests so as to make the description clear in reference to existing facts by making the following correction to the limits of the said forests.

Revenue Department Notification No.535, dated 20th September 1895, published at page 1116 of Part I of the Fort St.George Gazette, dated 1st October 1895.

Correction

For the Schedule to the Revenue Department Notification No.160, dated 8th June 1885, published at page 422 of Part I of the Fort St. George Gazette, dated 23rd June 1885, the following Schedule shall be substituted, namely: -

Schedule

Malabar District – Wayanad Taluk – Nulpuzha amsom – Nulpuzha desom (Name of Forests:- Mavinhalla – area in acres 12,954.43).

Boundaries

North: Starting from the north-east corner of Survey No.288, (Edatherai Reserved Forest) where the Nulpuzha river crosses the Sulthan Bathery – Bundelpet road, the southern margin of the said road (Survey Nos.251 (part) and 252 to 255 and 256 (part) to the north-west corner of

survey No.282, thence its west sides, the north, west and south sides of Survey No.280 to its South-Eastern most corner (trijunction of survey nos. 279, 280 and 281) thence the west, south and east sides of survey no. 279 to the south-west corner of S.No. 287-I (part) portion of Muthanga Reserved Forests,- thence its south and east sides to its northern most corner on the southern margin of the Sulthans Battery-Gundalpet road again, thence the southern margin of the said road (Survey Nos. 257 to 274) to the left bank of the Nugu river on the Mysore frontier.

East: Thence southwards along the left bank of the Nugu river (along the Mysore frontier) and the Gudalur taluk boundary in the Nilgiris district to the trijunction of Mudumalai and Nellikottai amsoms of the Gudalur taluk and the Nulpuzha desom of Wayanad taluk.

South: Thence generally westwards along the Nellikottai amsom boundary to the south-east corner of survey No.684 of the Nulpuzha desom.

West: Thence the east and north sides of survey no.684 to the north-east corner of survey no.686 (trijunction of survey nos.684, 686 and 690) thence the east sides of survey nos. 690, and 694, the south and east sides of survey no.697, the east and north sides of survey no.698, the north side of survey no.697, again the east sides of survey no.702, the east and north sides of S.No.703, the north side of survey no.704 and the east side of survey no.705-1, (Nulpuzha Reserved Forest) to the Naikatti-Mudumalai road; thence across the road and along its eastern margin to the southernmost point of survey No.347, thence its east and north sides to its northernmost corner on the eastern margin of the Naikatti-Mudumalai road again, thence the said margin of the said road to the southern most point of survey No.287-2, thence the east side to that number and survey no.344, south and east side of Sy.No.345, the east north and west sides of Sy.No.344, again north and west sides of Sy.No.343, and the north side of Sy.No.287-2, again to the east margin of the Naikatti-Mudumalai road again, thence the said margin of the said road to the southern most corner of Sy.No.341, thence the south sides of Sy.No.341, till it meets the north-west corner of Sy.No.342, thence the west, south and east sides of Sy.No.342, the south and east sides of Sy.No.341, again, the east sides of Sy.Nos. 340 and 338, south and east sides of Sy.No.334, east sides of Sy.Nos.333 and 332, south, east and north sides of Sy.No.331, the east side of Sy.No.328, south sides of Sy.No.327 and 321 (Alathur Reserved Forest) South and East sides of Sy.No.307, south side of Sy.No.287-I (part) west and south sides of Sy.No.306, west sides of Sy.No.288 (Edatherai Reserved Forests) west and south sides of Sy.No.303, the west side of Sy.No.304, the west, south and east sides of Sy.No.305, east side of Sy.No.304 again the west sides of Sy.No.302, west and south sides of Sy.No.300, west, south and east sides of Sy.No.301, the east sides of Sy.No.300, again south and east sides of Sy.No.295 and east side of Sy.No.288 again (Edatherai Reserved Forests) to the starting point.

The reserve comprises the following survey of Nulpuzha desom:-
Survey Nos. 275-2, 278-I, 287-I (Part) 346 and 685.

Remarks:- (1). The Naikatti-Mudumalai road passing through this reserve has been admitted as a right of way. It is 10 yards wide and 76 chains in length and open to people, cattle and vehicles. It enters the reserve from the north-west corner of Sy.No.685, of Nulpuzha desom and runs generally in an easterly direction and leaves the reserve at the north-east corner of Sy.No.685, of Nulpuzha desom and runs generally in an easterly direction and leaves the reserve at the north-east corner of Sy.No.685.

(2). The following survey numbers are admitted as enclosure within the reserves:

(i). Survey No.276 of Nulpuzha desom : 9.35 Acres.

(ii). Survey No.275-1 of Nulpuzha desom : 7.31 acres.

(iii). Survey No.278-2 of Nulpuzha desom : 2.19 acres.

(3). The Jain and Bet Kurumbers residing in this block are permitted to continue therein and to enjoy their present privileges until they have been provided for elsewhere. Meantime, they will be tenants-at-will of the Forest Department.

(4). During such tenancy, these Kurumbers are allowed the right of using the path, running from Mudumalai to Iron bridge and to the Sultans Battery-Mysore road. This is not a public right of way, and rights over it will cease as soon as the Kurumbers have been located outside the limits of the reserve.

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