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Government Notifications

FOREST CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

THE order under Section 3 of the Forest Conservation Ordinance (Chapter 451) No. 16 of 1907, as amended by Act, No. 13 of 1966 (reprint), No. 56 of 1979, No. 13 of 1982, No. 84 of 1988, No. 23 of 1995 and No. 65 of 2009.

The Order

By virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 3 of the Forest Conservation Ordinance (Chapter 451) No. 16 of 1907, as amended by Act, No. 13 of 1966 (reprint), No. 56 of 1979, No. 13 of 1982, No. 84 of 1988, No. 23 of 1995 and No. 65 of 2009, I, the Minister of Environment do by this Order declare the state land of the extent 16.52 hectares located in the area bounded by the limits set forth in the Schedule given below, as **Merawala Mangrove Reserved Forest** from 26th day of July 2025.

DAMMIKA PATABENDI,
Minister of Environment.

At Karamba Kalptitya lagoon belt,
26th July, 2025.



SCHEDULE 01

The state land of 16.52 hectares located within Chilaw Divisional Secretary's Division of Puttalam District in the Northwestern Province of Sri Lanka located within the area depicted by the following geodesic coordinates (Survey method - Geodesic Coordinates EPSG: 5234 method).

Serial Number	Eastern Coordinates	Northern Coordinates	Serial Number	Eastern Coordinates	Northern Coordinates	Serial Number	Eastern Coordinates	Northern Coordinates
1	94195	259707	36	94329	258537	69	95138	257776
2	94219	259678	37	94342	258462	70	95119	257779
3	94273	259609	38	94364	258471	71	95095	257800
4	94331	259540	39	94381	258455	72	95068	257833
5	94402	259488	40	94422	258457	73	95056	257864
6	94455	259424	41	94460	258426	74	95048	257922
7	94463	259400	42	94451	258411	75	94909	258023
8	94447	259395	43	94435	258398	76	94879	258000
9	94425	259370	44	94444	258382	77	94807	257986
10	94435	259343	45	94450	258368	78	94749	258038
11	94435	259338	46	94492	258335	79	94660	258113
12	94460	259344	47	94538	258300	80	94660	258114
13	94470	259303	48	94565	258298	81	94657	258116
14	94462	259285	49	94585	258258	82	94654	258118
15	94470	259221	50	94617	258239	83	94652	258121
16	94498	259223	51	94694	258214	84	94650	258124
17	94497	259202	52	94737	258199	85	94647	258126
18	94506	259166	53	94794	258160	86	94644	258129
19	94509	259144	54	94860	258122	87	94642	258131
20	94508	259108	55	94889	258167	88	94639	258133
21	94500	259076	56	94933	258134	89	94636	258135
22	94456	259060	57	94904	258098	90	94630	258138
23	94449	259025	58	94910	258087	91	94626	258139
24	94443	259004	59	94986	258022	92	94625	258140
25	94435	258981	60	95034	257968	93	94621	258142
26	94433	258962	61	95059	257949	94	94613	258143
27	94417	258912	62	95116	257951	95	94611	258144
28	94407	258875	63	95126	257937	96	94607	258144
29	94397	258847	64	95154	257909	97	94602	258144
30	94381	258828	65	95182	257874	98	94599	258146
31	94358	258747	66	95178	257843	99	94597	258148
32	94333	258740	67	95161	257814	100	94594	258152
33	94333	258694	68	95148	257795	101	94592	258155
34	94332	258662						
35	94354	258547						

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102	94591	258158	139	94284	258618	176	94329	258828
103	94589	258161	140	94284	258623	177	94333	258831
104	94586	258165	141	94284	258628	178	94337	258833
105	94584	258167	142	94285	258634	179	94356	258834
106	94578	258171	143	94285	258639	180	94366	258887
107	94576	258172	144	94285	258644	181	94368	258891
108	94572	258174	145	94285	258649	182	94369	258895
109	94569	258176	146	94285	258655	183	94370	258898
110	94536	258224	147	94285	258661	184	94371	258902
111	94523	258260	148	94285	258665	185	94372	258905
112	94417	258330	149	94284	258670	186	94374	258911
113	94338	258369	150	94285	258677	187	94374	258912
114	94308	258420	151	94285	258681	188	94377	258921
115	94288	258465	152	94284	258685	189	94378	258924
116	94287	258478	153	94283	258691	190	94378	258926
117	94285	258488	154	94283	258695	191	94379	258929
118	94285	258496	155	94282	258699	192	94381	258934
119	94284	258498	156	94282	258710	193	94382	258936
120	94283	258501	157	94283	258717	194	94384	258941
121	94282	258504	158	94284	258727	195	94385	258943
122	94279	258513	159	94284	258729	196	94389	258949
123	94278	258517	160	94286	258734	197	94393	258953
124	94278	258521	161	94288	258740	198	94395	258957
125	94277	258528	162	94289	258751	199	94396	258958
126	94277	258531	163	94291	258756	200	94397	258961
127	94277	258536	164	94293	258761	201	94398	258966
128	94277	258540	165	94298	258777	202	94401	258973
129	94278	258543	166	94299	258782	203	94401	258977
130	94279	258551	167	94301	258787	204	94404	258982
131	94280	258555	168	94305	258799	205	94407	258990
132	94282	258561	169	94308	258804	206	94408	258993
133	94285	258573	170	94310	258809	207	94410	258997
134	94285	258581	171	94312	258816	208	94410	259001
135	94286	258584	172	94314	258818	209	94411	259004
136	94285	258591	173	94316	258823	210	94416	259014
137	94284	258595	174	94320	258826	211	94417	259019
138	94284	258612	175	94325	258827	212	94419	259023

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213	94420	259026	223	94439	259081	233	94387	259335
214	94420	259031	224	94446	259092	234	94349	259395
215	94423	259037	225	94447	259093	235	94346	259410
216	94426	259050	226	94449	259095	236	94342	259411
217	94428	259053	227	94452	259101	237	94324	259434
218	94429	259057	228	94456	259109	238	94235	259578
219	94432	259062	229	94458	259114	239	94224	259598
220	94433	259065	230	94461	259120	240	94186	259622
221	94435	259072	231	94462	259179	241	94150	259679
222	94436	259075	232	94444	259236	242	94167	259687

The land area surrounded by the straight lines formed by joining the starting point (Eastern Coordinates 94195, Northern Coordinates 259707) up to the final point (Eastern Coordinates 94167, Northern Coordinates 259687) and from there again up to the starting point (Eastern Coordinates 94195, Northern Coordinates 259707)

Extent - **16.52 hectares**

FOREST CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

Notification

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 63 of the Forest Conservation Ordinance (Chapter 451) No. 16 of 1907, as amended by Act, No. 13 of 1966 (reprint), No. 56 of 1979, No. 13 of 1982, No. 84 of 1988, No. 23 of 1995 and No. 65 of 2009,¹ I do by this notification notify that the **Merawala Mangrove Reserved Forest** mentioned in the above order is subjected to the sole control of the Conservator General of Forests.

DAMMIKA PATABENDI,
Minister of Environment.

At Karamba Kalptitya lagoon belt,
26th July, 2025.

Declaration of Merawala Mangrove Reserve Forest

