

with active connivance or tacit concurrence of Revenue and Forest officials. If the Government is serious about solving the problem, all harvesting of Grandis from Anchunadu area should also immediately be stayed until the verification vide Recommendation 4 above is completed. [Action: Revenue Dept.]

7. It is in the interest of the Forest Department to protect as much as possible of the Neelakurinji areas. That department should also be part of CLR's settlement process vide Recommendations 3, 4 and 5 and should demarcate the boundary of the Sanctuary. The Forest Department should insist that encroachers who have destroyed Shola forests or grasslands should be evicted, brought to book and the areas brought within the Sanctuary which should then be fenced-off. The Forest Department should keep copy of geo-referenced map of the Sanctuary. Only then the work of declaration of Sanctuary would reach a logical finality. [Action: Forest Dept. & PCCF]
8. Similar extensive encroachments have taken place in the other 3 villages of Anchunadu also. Based on the example proposed to be set by the CLR vide Recommendation 3, 4 and 5 above, the Sub Collector, Devikulam should issue notices and follow due process of law to verify all pattayams, confirm those that are genuine, and evict **all** encroachers. While doing so, geo-referenced survey maps shall be generated. [Action: DC, Idukki & Sub Collector, Devikulam]
9. Ensconced in the lap of the Western Ghats, Anchunadu still has pockets of Shola forests and watersheds that make it ecologically very sensitive. These areas are also of incredible natural beauty. With Munnar and its surrounding areas over-exploited through unplanned development and encroachment, the resort mafia has spread to Anchunadu. Hence, this area should be planned in advance to develop