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7. That the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh (PCCF) in his letter to the Special Chief Secretary Environment, Forests has documented illicit felling and destruction of forests for cultivation under a campaign called "Bhuporitam" to occupy forest lands in the Kawal Sanctuary and claim rights under the Forest Rights Act which has led to a very alarming situation as has been indicated in para no. 6 above. A copy of the said letter dated 16-07-2008 is produced as ANNEXURE - A4 ^[page - 32]. This is not an isolated incident as many other similar instances have been detected in the State. Analysis of some time series satellite imagery that corroborates the concerns raised by the PCCF on the destruction of intact forests in the Kawal Sanctuary and in the Nagarjunsagar Tiger Reserve in Andhra Pradesh is annexed collectively hereto as ANNEXURE - A5 ^[page - 33-39] (Colly).

8. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Hunsur, Wildlife Division (Rajiv Gandhi National Park, Nagarahole) Karnataka has documented in his letter dated 2.2.2011 addressed to the District Collector, Kodagu District that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Karnataka, during his field inspection has observed large scale cutting of bamboo and other trees by encroachers even before rights could be recognized. He has also documented that claims in respect of *hadlus* (swampy grasslands which are prime habitat for endangered species such as elephant, gaur and prey species of the tiger) have been made even though the areas were not under occupation of any person as on the cut - off date prescribed under the