DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the work incorporated in the present thesis is original and has not been submitted to any university or institution for the award of any degree. I further declare that the results presented in the thesis contribute in general to the advancement of knowledge in environmental science and in particular to the aquatic macrophytes of Kuttanad Wetland Ecosystem, Kerala, India. The study will form the basis for all future studies in the ecology of aquatic macrophytes and wetlands and the use of advanced geospatial tools such as remote sensing, GPS and GIS in aquatic vegetation and wetland ecological studies.

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