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Dear Mr. Thomas Ampalavoyal

I am a retired IAS officer from Tamil Nadu now on an assignment as a National Fellow, ICHR, at Mysore to write a book on Tamil inscriptions. I propose to visit Sultan's Battery to copy its inscriptions of Edakkal cave. I shall be accompanied by Dr. Swaminathan, IAS, Director of Epigraphy of Mysore. We propose to reach Sultan's Battery from Mysore by road in my car at about 6 PM on Sunday 9th October. We shall be staying at Hotel Reson at Sultan's Battery. Mr. Rajan Gurukulam from Kottayam will join us. We propose to go to the cave on 9th morning.

We shall be most grateful if you can help us to reach the cave and copy its inscriptions. The only local equipment we need is an ordinary wooden ladder of normal height.

I have also written to the Collector for help from the Revenue Dept., and also to Mr. Gurukulam.

I hope that you can contact us at Hotel Reson on Sunday 9th evening.

Mr. Thomas Ampalavoyal
Sultan's Battery, Keral

With best wishes
Yours sincerely
I. R. V.