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Jairam Ramesh to widen his 'range'

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Sept. 26: The landmark Vedanta Mines judgment by Union environment minister Jairam Ramesh has brought hope to environmentalists and wildlife experts fighting against the controversial Gundia Hydro Electric Project (GHEP).

Members of Malenadu Janapara Horata Samithi (MJHS), who have been relentlessly fighting against the project, have in fact decided to honour the minister, if he awards "another landmark judgment".

MJHS wants to christen one of the forest ranges in the Western Ghats after Mr Jairam Ramesh!

"Mr Jairam Ramesh is our only hope. He has raised his voice against the project many times before. It is not difficult for Karnataka Power Corporation Ltd (KPCL) to pay off the locals and execute the project. We are pinning all our hopes on Mr Ramesh, as a lot is at stake. If he succeeds in seeing that the project is dropped, we will christen one of the forests ranges after him," says convenor of MJHS H.A. Kishore Kumar, who has invested all his energies in building a movement against the Gundia project.

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