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I state that the work presented in this thesis entitled "Colloid mediated contamination of ground water and its remediation" comprises independent investigations carried out by me under the guidance of Prof. C. N. Murthy. Wherever references have been made to the work of others, it has been clearly indicated with the source of information under the references section. The matter presented in this thesis has not been submitted elsewhere for the award of any other degree.

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