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फा.न./F.No. 4-TNB075/2021-CHN/ 26

दिनांक/Date: December, 2025

सेवा में/To,

The Additional Chief Secretary,

Environment, Climate Change & Forest Department,

Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009.

**विषय/Subject: Diversion of 1.68 ha of forest land for upgradation by formation of black top road from the foot hills of L. Malaiyur to L. Malaiyur Village in favour of Project Director, DRDA, Dindigul District-Reg.**

महोदय/Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 17215/FR.10/2020-5 dated 19.08.2021 and 17215/FR.10/2020-8 dated 06.04.2022 and online proposal No.FP/TN/ROAD/28608/2017, seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section 2(1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam 1980 for the above-mentioned project. The project was accorded In-principle approval (Stage-I) vide Central Government letter No. 4-TNB075/2021-CHN/869 dated 17.08.2022. The State Government vide letter No. 17215/FR.10/2020-12dated 07.04.2025 reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the In-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's **Final Approval (Stage-II)** under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980 for the **diversion of 1.68 ha of forest land for upgradation by formation of black top road from the foot hills of L. Malaiyur to L. Malaiyur Village in favour of Project Director, DRDA, Dindigul District**, subject to the following conditions: -

- i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- ii. Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the DFO concerned, at the cost of User Agency;
- iii. The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation in

Non-Forest Land over an extent of **3.36 ha area in SF No. 1154/2 of Sendurai Village of Natham Taluk as per Compensatory Afforestation Scheme including maintenance for a period of 10 years**, at the cost of Rs.39,16,298/-, which was already realized from the User Agency;

- iv. The Non forest land received in lieu of this proposal shall be notified as RF / PF as per the Local Forest Act within 6 months from the issue of this order.
- v. Identified CA area and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government; and the work of CA shall start within two years of issue of final order of diversion as per provision Rule 14(2) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.
- vi. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency;
- vii. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- viii. The trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the conditions stipulated in the Judgment of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the I.A. No. 14943 in WP No. 202/1995.
- ix. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- x. Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the machinery, labourers & staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- xi. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- xii. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- xiii. Roadside cutting and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;
- xiv. The dug-out material/overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- xv. The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- xvi. There shall be an adequate provision of movement of wild animals, structures and the dimensions for animal passage should be in consensus with the Eco-friendly measures to mitigate impacts of linear infrastructure on wildlife published by Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.
- xvii. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **1.68 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- xviii. User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
- xix. Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer

- (Central) of the Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;
- xx. The User Agency has made payment Rs. 7,208,398/- towards CA, NPV and Wildlife conservation / Management Plan (Rs. 39,16,298/- towards CA, Rs. 14,47,200/- towards NPV, and Rs. 18,44,900/- towards Wild life mitigation/management plan). The levies paid by the UA shall be utilized for the same as per the approved plan/scheme.
- xxi. Violation of any of the above conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam 1980 and action would be taken as per Rules and Guidelines issued under the Adhinyam;

आपका विश्वासी/Yours faithfully,

Digitally signed by  
Yuvaraj S

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**Deputy Inspector General of Forest (Central)**

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2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai – 32.
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Sd/-

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