

**Letter No.1747/FR.10/2023-2, dated:27.09.2024**

From  
Dr. P. Senthilkumar, I.A.S.,  
Principal Secretary to Government.

To  
The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,  
Regional Office,  
Additional Office Block for GPOA, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor,  
Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006. (w.e).

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 – Diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest for upgradation of Kappukkadu earthen road to Thar road and street light facilities in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District Forwarding of – In-principle approval – Requested - Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), letter No.TS4/37305/2021, dated 09.03.2023 and 06.05.2024.

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I am directed to enclose a copy of the reference cited and to state that, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) in his letter first cited has stated that, the User Agency, the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District has furnished online application for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District under Section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam), 1980 under the Proposal No.FP/TN/Road/147896/2021.

2. In the Part-II of Form-A, the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur Division has furnished the following particulars:-

- i) Forest area diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Division has been proposed for diversion by the

- user agency. Eco-class of forest area reported as Eco-Class IV with density of forest area reported as 0.3.
- ii) No trees are available in the proposal project area.
  - iii) No work in violation of the Act or Guidelines under the Act has been carried out.
  - iv) Significance of the forest land proposed for diversion reported from Wildlife point of view reported by the District Forest Officer is as follows:
    - a. No wildlife present in and around the proposed forest land.
    - b. The forest area proposed for diversion is not located within the Eco-sensitive zone of protected areas.
    - c. There is no rare/ endangered / unique species of flora and fauna found in the area.
  - v) There is no protected archaeological/ heritage site / defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area.
  - vi) Requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and bare minimum for the project, the District Forest Officer reported as Yes.
  - vii) For the diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land, compensatory afforestation has been proposed for planting of 100 number of seedlings in 0.529 ha of degraded forest land of Avanam Reserved Forest including ten years maintenance period at project cost of Rs.1,75,975/-. Kml file of the selected degraded forest land, location marked in the Survey of India topo sheet, Geo-referenced map, site suitability certificate and Compensatory Afforestation scheme details have been uploaded.
  - viii) The District Forest Officer has uploaded the site inspection report of the proposed forest diversion area.
    - a. The District Forest Officer, Thanjavur has inspected the proposed project area in Avanam Reserved Forest Thanjavur District on 14.12.2022.
    - b. The term used by the User Agency for upgradation of road is not existing road, no Right of Way permitted or no earlier approval accorded under Forest Conservation Act, 1980. The pathway used by Forest Department for perambulation since the notification of Reserved Forest is now proposed for black topping.
    - c. The area proposed for diversion by the User Agency is very minimum and there is no alternative land for the proposed project except the forest land.
    - d. The User Agency has not started any work proposed inside Avanam Reserved Forest. Therefore, the question of violation of provision in Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for this proposal does not arise.
    - e. The User Agency shall pay the net present value imposed (Rs.2,41,250/-) as per the revised Forest Conservation Act, 1980 guidelines.
    - f. The District Forest Officer has also stated that the proposed site for Formation of Road (600m x 6.00m = 3600sqmt) 0.36 ha in R.S.No.130 to 147 at Avanam village inside Avanam Reserved Forest of Pattukottai Range in Thanjavur Division. The project is designed to connect Pulichankadu village with Thulukaviduthi North village in Thanjavur district. Thulukaviduthi North village people will be benefitted as this is the shortest route to reach school, hospital and sell their agricultural goods. Since it is a

genuine requirement, it can be permitted within the guidelines of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

- g. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy has stated that the proposed area for diversion is 0.36 ha in Avanam Reserved Forest in Thanjavur Forest Division was inspected by him on 18.01.2023 along with the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur. This project for the diversion of 0.36 ha is for the Formation of Road in connecting Pulichankadu village with Thulukkaviduthi North village. No Right of way permitted or no earlier approval accorded under Forest Conservation Act, 1980. The pathway used by Forest Department of perambulation since the notification of Reserved Forest is now proposed for black topping. This project will be very useful for reach school, marketing and hospital purposes. The proposed area is bare minimum and there is no alternative land for the proposed project. No rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna in the Avanam Reserved Forest. There is no alternate land available.
- h. Taking into consideration of the facts stated above. the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur Forest Division and the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy in the Part -II of Form – A has recommended the proposal for Diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Forest Division for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District under Section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam), 1980.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) has also stated that, the proposal is sent through parivesh portal duly recommended by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation Act) / Nodal Officer of Forest (Conservation) Act, of the State of Tamil Nadu in Part-III of Form-A.

4. Based on the recommendations made by the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur Division and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest (Conservation) Act) of Tamil Nadu, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD) has forwarded the proposal for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Forest Division for upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District under Section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam), 1980 for a period of 20 years, without specifying any conditions and requested the Government to consider the same and to obtain approval for the same from the Government of India.

5. The Government have examined and accept the proposal (FP/TN/Road/147896/2021) of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Forest Division for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-

Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District under Section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam), 1980 for a period of 20 years, and decided to recommend and forward the same to Government of India in Parivesh 2.0 portal for obtaining In-principle approval of the Competent Authority under section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, subject to the following conditions:-

- i) The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- ii) Demarcation of the proposed forest land shall be carried out by the User Agency by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the 20 meter interval at the cost of user agency.
- iii) The user agency has to pay the cost towards compensatory afforestation scheme for the selected degraded forest area in Avanam Reserved Forest as per the Compensatory afforestation scheme including maintenance for a period of 10 years.
- iv) The user agency has to pay the Net Present Value of proposed forest diversion area which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India/ Government of India,
- v) The user agency has to bear the additional amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as fixed by the Forest Department in future. The user agency has to furnish undertaking to this effect.
- vi) Amount for Compensatory afforestation scheme, Net Present Value of forest area under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>)
- vii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of Central Government.
- viii) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- ix) No breaking up of forest land or felling of tree shall be allowed;
- x) While black topping, adequate precautions should be undertaken by the User Agency to avoid any damage to flora and fauna. Fire for melting of coal tar and mixing shall be lit at a safe distance from the trees/vegetation and avoiding dry/hot seasons. Fuelwood, if required, shall be purchased in advance from the Depot of Forest Development Corporations;
- xi) No crushing/breaking of stones shall be allowed inside forest areas. Readymade materials shall be used for up-gradation of such roads.
- xii) Bitumen cold mix for black topping should be prepared outside the forest or at a site approved by the Divisional Forest Officer.
- xiii) The user agency shall try to maintain the road surface as rough as possible to act as regular speed governor, even if it means going below the standards prescribed for the particular class of roads, the intention being only to make it an all-weather road.
- xiv) The user agency shall provide side drains for proper drainage.
- 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 competent authority.
- xvi) The User Agency has to pay the cost towards annual lease rent for the forest area diversion period as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted to the above project in future for the entire project period.
- xvii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.36 ha area in Avanam Reserved Forest and the forest area diverted shall not

be used for any other purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.

- xviii) The user agency 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) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change guidelines.
- xx) Period of lease is twenty (20) years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before one year of expiry of lease with the State Forest Department.

6. I am, therefore, directed to request you to kindly obtain the concurrence of the Competent Authority and communicate the same to this Government, early.

Yours faithfully,

*A. Malathy*  
27/9/24

for Principal Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Chennai-32.

The Block Development Officer,  
Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District.



## PART – V

(To be filled in by the Secretary in charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

Proposal (FP/TN/Road/147896/2021) of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Forest Division for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District for a period of 20 years under section 2 (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

### 18. Recommendation of the State Government

*Recommended*

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part – C or Part – D above should be specifically commented upon)

*P. Jayalalitha*

Signature

Name & Designation  
(Official Seal)

Date : 27.09.2024

Place : Chennai-9.

Deputy Secretary to Government  
Environment, Climate Change  
and Forest Department  
Secretariat, Chennai - 9





TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From  
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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
(Head of Forest Force),  
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Guindy, Chennai - 600 032

To  
The Additional Chief Secretary to  
Government,  
Environment, Forests & Climate Change  
Department, Secretariat,  
Chennai 600 009

Ref. No. TS4/37305/2021 dated, 09.03.2023

Madam,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Trichy Circle / Thanjavur Division -  
Proposal for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land for Upgradation of Kappukkadu  
Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small  
village North Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, Thanjavur District  
Thar Road and street light facilities-Regarding

- Ref:
1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency - The BDO, Peravurani @ Avanam, Avanam post, Peravurani Taluk, Thanjavur District on 30.09.2021 and revised proposal on 13.08.2022 (FP/TN/Road/147896/2021)
  2. Part II uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur on 27.12.2022
  3. Part III uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy on 01.02.2023
  4. Hard copy of proposal by the Chief Conservator of Forests Trichy ref. No. 14268/2022/D, dt. 25.01.2023

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I wish to state that the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District has sent a proposal under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, Thanjavur District (Thar Road and street light facilities) through online web portal in the prescribed format.

The user agency has stated that the proposed road is very useful to the public those who are living in the habitation of Thulukkaviduthi North village in Perianayagipuram Panchayat of 680 families. Now the people of the above habitations are very much struggling for going school, market and hospital purpose. This road is very essential one.

2) The User Agency has furnished following Certificates / Undertakings

- I. Form-A, Part-I
- II. Letter of Authorisation
- III. KML file of Google earth
- IV. Survey of India toposheet indicating boundary of forest land proposed to be diverted
- V. Geo referenced map for the Forest land proposed for diversion with DGPS readings
- VI. Justification for locating the project in Forest land

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- VII. Certificate obtained from the District Collector, Thanjavur District about Settlement of rights under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers under Forest Rights Act 2006 in the prescribed format for linear projects in R.C.No: 12886/ 2022 /LR1 dated 18.06.2022.
  - VIII. Certificate obtained from the District Collector, Thanjavur District no alternate suitable non forest land is available for the above project in R.C.No. 12886/ 2022 /LR1 dated 18.06.2022
  - IX. Area requirement details for the project Length = 600m, Width = 6m = Area 3600 sqm (or) 0.36 ha.
  - X. Combined Certificate given by the User Agency on the following.
    - a) No violation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
    - b) no other alternate suitable non-forest land is available for the project.
    - c) no felling of trees involved due to this project
    - d) the forest land demanded for the above project is the barest minimum.
  - XI. Combined Undertaking on the following.
    - 1. to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of Compensatory Afforestation / Penal Compensatory Afforestation / Maintenance of Plantation /Protection of plantation for the proposed diversion of forest land as fixed by the Forest Department
    - 2. for the payment of Net Present Value of the forest land required for the purpose of the above project.
    - 3. for the payment of Additional Net Present Value of the forest land as demanded by the Forest Department in future as per the guidelines of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
    - 4. to agree to pay the cost along with any escalation for exploitation of trees if any available in the alignment path for the proposed diversion of forest land as fixed by the Forest Department.
    - 5. for the payment of cost towards lease rent as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted.
    - 6. in case of diversion of forest land is denied the project shall be executed along alternate alignment and work on non- forest land shall not be cited as a reason for grant of approval of forest land under Forest Conservation Act 1980.

3) The District Forest Officer, Thanjavur has furnished Part II details in the prescribed format as noted below.

- a) The legal status of the proposed project area is Reserved Forest to an extent of 0.36 ha and the name of Reserved Forest has been reported in the site inspection report as "Avanam Reserved Forest"
- b) Density of the proposed area is 0.3 and type of forest is Eco class IV
- c) No trees are available in the proposed project area
- d) No Wildlife present in and around the proposed forest land
- e) Not located within the Eco Sensitive Zone of Protected Areas.

f) No rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area.

g) No work in violation of Act and guidelines.

h) No Compensatory Afforestation scheme proposed.

4) The District Forest Officer, Thanjavur has inspected the proposed project area in Avanam Reserved Forest for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Periyannayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, Thanjavur District on 14.12.2022 and furnished his report as follows.

- I. The term used by the User Agency for up gradation of road is not existing road, no Right of Way permitted or no earlier approval accorded under Forest Conservation Act, 1980. The pathway used by Forest department for perambulation since the notification of RF is now proposed for black topping.
- II. The area proposed for diversion by the user agency is very minimum and there is no alternative land for the proposed project except the forest land.
- III. The user agency has not started any work proposed inside Avanam Reserved Forest. Therefore the question of violation of provision in Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for this proposal does not arise.
- IV. The user agency shall pay the net present value imposed (Rs. 2,41,250 /-) as per the revised Forest Conservation Act, 1980 guidelines.
- V. There are no rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna in the Avanam Reserved Forest.
- VI. There are no protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment and there are no monument in the above project site.

5) In his recommendation, the District Forest Officer has stated that the proposed site for Formation of Road (600m x 6.00m = 3600sqm) 0.36ha in R S.No. 130 to 147 at Avanam village inside Avanam Reserved Forest of Pattukkottai Range in Thanjavur Division was inspected on 14.12.2022. The proposal is hereby recommended as the project is designed to connect Pulichankadu village with Thulukkaviduthi North village in Thanjavur District. Thulukkaviduthi North village people will be benefitted as this is the shortest route to reach school, hospital and sell their agricultural goods. Since it is a genuine requirement, it can be permitted within the guidelines of Forest Conservation Act 1980.

6) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy has stated that the proposed area for diversion is 0.36 ha in Avanam Reserve Forest in Thanjavur Forest Division was inspected by him on 18.01.2023 along with the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur. This project for the diversion of 0.36 ha is for the Formation of Road in connecting Pulichankadu Village with Thulukkaviduthi North village. No Right of way permitted or no earlier approval accorded under Forest

Conservation Act 1980. The pathway used by Forest department of perambulation since the notification of RF is now proposed for black topping. This project is will be very useful for reach school, marketing and hospital purposes. The proposed area is bare minimum and there is no alternative land for the proposed project. No rare /endangered / unique species of flora and fauna in the Avanam RF. There is no alternate land is available. Hence recommended the proposal.

7) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy has also uploaded his recommendation in Part III.

8) In this regard, it is submitted that the User Agency has uploaded all the certificates/undertakings/details as required in this proposal.

9) The proposal is sent herewith duly recommended in the part IV of Form A by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) / Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation Act)

10) The area proposed for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Periyannayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, in Thanjavur District (Thar Road and street light facilities) in Thanjavur Forest Division is recommended and forwarded to the Government of Tamilnadu for considering the proposal under the General Category as per chapter 4.3 of Handbook on FCA guidelines wherein the State Government has been empowered to divert forest areas upto one Ha for critical public utility and welfare projects undertaken by the Government agencies and in principle Stage-I approval orders may be issued subject to the following conditions


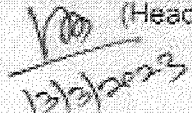
- (i) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
- (ii) The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 mts at the cost of User Agency.
- (iii) The User Agency shall pay the Net present value of the diverted forest area at the rates stipulated by the Ministry of Environment and Forests from time to time, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos. 826 in 566 with related IAS in Writ Petition(Civil) No 202/1995 and as per the revised guidelines issued by the Government of India in letter No 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road New Delhi-110 003 Date: 6th January, 2022
- (iv) The fund from the User Agency towards NPV under this project shall be deposited by generating challan from the Ministry's online web portal. UTR No and date should be furnished.

- (v) The 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. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to the effect.
- (vi) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to Flora and Fauna in the surroundings and shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
- (vii) The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (viii) The lease rent should be realized from the User Agency as per G.O.Ms.No.272, E&F(FR.XIII) Dept dated 15.04.1991.
- (ix) The period of lease is 20 years.
- (x) The User Agency should send renewal proposal one year before expiry of lease.
- (xi) The Chief Conservator of Forests and District Forest Officer may impose any other condition in the interest of conservation /protection land development of forests.

11) I request that in principle Stage-I approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land in Avanam Reserved Forest of Thanjavur Forest Division for Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Periyannayagi puram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perannayagipuram, in Thanjavur District (Thar Road and street light facilities) for a period of 20 years may be accorded in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam Thanjavur District.

Encl. Proposal.

Yours faithfully

  
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)  
  
13/3/2023



**PART IV**

(To be filed in by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or  
Head of Forest Department)

**Name of the work:** Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Trichy Circle / Thanjavur  
division - Proposal for diversion of 0.36ha of forest land for  
Upgradation of Kappukkadu Earthen road in Perianayagipuram  
Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-  
Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Perianayagipuram, in Thanjavur District (Thar  
Road and street light facilities)  
**Proposal No:** FP/TN/Road/147896/2021

17. Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department. for  
acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks.

(While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of  
Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically  
commented upon).

*Recommended*

Date: 03.2023

Place: Chennai

Signature:



Name : V. Karunapriya I.F.S.

Official Seal:  
Additional Principal Chief  
Conservator of Forests (FCA)  
/Nodal Officer

**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From

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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to  
Government,  
Environment, Climate Change and  
Forests Department,  
Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.

**Ref. No. TS4/37305/2021 dated: 06.05.2024.**

**Madam,**

Sub: Forests – Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 [previously called Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980] – Trichy Circle – Thanjavur Forest Division – for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam RF for upgradation of Kappukkadu earthen road to Thar road and street light facilities in Periyamayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Periyamayagipuram, Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District – reg.

- Ref:
1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency – The Block Development Officer, Peravurani, Thanjavur District, Proposal No. FP / TN / Road / 147896 / 2021 on 30.09.2021.
  2. Part-II uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur on 27.12.2022.
  3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, C. No. TS4/37305/2021, dt: 09.03.2023
  4. Government Lr. No. 1747/FR.10/2023-1, dt: 03.04.2023.
  5. District Forest Officer, Thanjavur, C. No. 7032/2021/D, dt: 09.11.2023 and 29.02.2024.
  6. Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy, C. No. 14268/2022/D, dt: 09.11.2023 and 05.03.2024.
  7. Block Development Officer, Peravurani, Thanjavur District, C. No. 4408/2020/A2, dt: 06.03.2024.

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I wish to inform that, the Government vide letter 4<sup>th</sup> cited has requested additional details on the proposal for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam RF for upgradation of Kappukkadu earthen road to Thar road and street light facilities in Periyamayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Periyamayagipuram, Thanjavur District.





The additional details have been submitted by the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur, Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy and Block Development Officer, Peravurani, Thanjavur District vide references 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> cited.

The contents of the report are as follows:

Sl. No.	Additional details requested	Reply
i	Any proposal submitted under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall have a comprehensive scheme for Compensatory Afforestation, duly approved by the competent authority. Hence, state the reason for non-submission of Compensatory Afforestation Scheme for the subject proposal.	Degraded Forest Land of Avanam RF in Thanjavur Division has been identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation of 100 seedlings with a total cost of Rs.1,75,975.00 by the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur. The District Forest Officer has uploaded the KML file, CA scheme details, Geo-referenced map, SI Sheet map and suitability certificate in Part-II, SI. No.13.
ii	The Government have already been issued instructions to submit the original Forest Rights Act Certificate of the District Collector concerned with his full name and authenticated office seal as prescribed in Form-I for linear projects in the Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. However, in the subject proposal xerox copy only furnished. Hence, obtain and send original certificate of the District Collector, Thanjavur with full name and office seal.	The Block Development Officer, Peravurani, Thanjavur District has submitted the original Forest Rights Act Certificate of the District Collector, Thanjavur with his full name and authenticated office seal as prescribed in Form-I.



I am enclosing herewith the documents received from the District Forest Officer, Thanjavur, Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy and Block Development Officer, Peravurani, Thanjavur District and request that the above proposal may be forwarded to Government of India for obtaining Stage-I approval for diversion of 0.36 ha of forest land in Avanam RF for upgradation of Kappukkadu earthen road to Thar road and street light facilities in Periyamayagipuram Panchayat to join the sand road of the small village North-Thulukkaviduthi, Avanam, Periyamayagipuram, Thanjavur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Peravurani @ Avanam, Thanjavur District for a period of 20 years.

Encl: As stated above

Yours faithfully,

S. Alayan 01/5/24  
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Department)

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