## <u>Proceedings of the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer,</u> <u>F(C) Act & Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA, Forest Headquarters,</u> <u>Thiruvananthapuram</u>

Present: Rajesh Ravindran IFS

Sub:- Forest clearance - diversion of 136.8623 Ha Forest land for shifting of Thrissur Zoo from Thrissur - Puthur - Refund of the amounts remitted into BH:8121-00-129-99-96 and BH: 8121-00-99-99 and remittance of the same through the online portal to Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change-reg.

Read:- 1. MoEF Stage 1 clearance F No.8-72/2018 FC dt.13.02.2019

- 2. Letter No. TA2-3084/2006 dated 19-03-2019 from the Divisional Forest Officer, Thrissur
- 3. SRO 205/2019 dated 07-03-2019 published in Kerala Gazette
- 4. File No. NA-1-18/2020-NA dated 03.08.2020 from MoEF& CC
- 5. G.O(Rt) No.158/2021/F&WLD dated 27.05.2021
- 6. Letter No. BW-A2/43/2021-FIN dated 20.12.2021 from Finance Department
- 7. Proceedings Order No.FC2-12003/2003 Dated 03.08.2021 from APCCF & Nodal Officer F(C) Act & CEO CAMPA
- 8. Letter No. SPV-127/2019 dt.30.12.2021 of Director, Thrissur Zoological Park

## Order No.FC2-12003/2003 dated 31.12.2021

As per reference 1 cited, Ministry of Environment and Forests had issued Stage 1 Clearance for shifting and establishing the Thrissur Zoological Park in the Forest area falling under Pattikkad Range of Thrissur Forest Division. The approval is subject to the conditions that the User Agency shall remit the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) for 15 % of the total area proposed to be diverted and towards cost for carrying out compensatory afforestation (CA) over degraded forest land to an extent equal to 30 % of the total area proposed to be diverted. Subsequently, the Custodian of the forest land, i.e., the Divisional Forest Officer, Thrissur had communicated demand note vide letter read as paper 2 above for an amount rounded to Rs 2.38 crores towards,

- 1. Cost of NPV for 20.53 hectares of land @ Rs 730000/- per hectare (i.e., Rs. 1,49,86,900/-)
- 2. Cost of Compensatory Afforestation for 41.06 hectares of degraded forest land @ Rs 2,14,000/- per hectare (i.e., Rs 87,86, 840/-)

Totalling to an actual amount of Rs. 2,37,73,740/-

The funds for the above was processed in the KIIFB based on the actual calculated amount and the User Agency (SPV, Thrissur Zoological Park) received an amount of Rs. 2,37,73,740/- in its bank account (A/c. No.3533201000081, IFSC Code: CNRB0003533, MICR Code: 680015023 in the CANARA Bank, Puthur Branch). Thereupon, as per the notification read as paper 3 above and based on the advice from the office of the Special Afforestation & Nodal Officer, User Agency (Thrissur Zoological Park) remitted NPV and Compensatory Afforestation fund (amounting to Rs.

2,37,73,740/-) to the State Compensatory Fund through Kerala Treasury (copy of Challan enclosed). The details of which are as follows:

Rs. 1,49,86,900/- deposited to the Head of Account 8121-00-129-99-96 for NPV

Rs. 87,86,840/- form the Head of Account 812100-129-99-99 for Compensatory Afforestation

Later on, MoEF informed (ref. 4 cited) that the compensatory levis deposited through Kerala Treasury will not be accepted and the amount is to be deposited to MoEF& CC, as per existing payment mechanism linked with PARIVESH Portal. In accordance with references 5&6, Government has accorded sanction for the withdrawal of an amount of Rs. 1,49,86,900/- from the Head of Account 8121-00-129-99-96 and an amount of 87,86,840/- from the Head of Account 812100-129-99-99 to facilitate remittance of the amount through online portal.

As per reference 7, Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer F(C) Act & CEO CAMPA has authorised Chief Conservator of Forests, Central Circle & CEO SPV to draw the concerned amounts from the above mentioned Heads of Accounts and refund to the Bank Account (A/c. No.3533201000081, IFSC Code: CNRB0003533, MICR Code: 680015023 in the CANARA Bank, Puthur Branch) of the Special Purpose Vehicle, Thrissur Zoological Park. In compliance the Chief conservator of Forest, Central Circle, has taken action to transfer the funds to the above mentioned Bank account. Consequently, Director, Thrissur Zoological Park, the User Agency, vide ref.8 cited, has requested to fix the amount as Rs. 2,37,73,740/- based on actual

In the above circumstances, I, Rajesh Ravindran IFS, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, F(C) Act and Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA hereby fix the amount of compensatory levies as Rs.1,49,86,900/- towards the cost of payment of NPV and Rs.87,86,840/-towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation for onward remittance through online portal (PARIVESH) to the Government of India and report compliance.

calculations instead of 2.38 crores for onward remittance to MoEF through PARIVESH Portal.

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