



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Forest & Wildlife (C) Department

No.C3/2/2022/F&WLD

02-02-2022, Thiruvananthapuram

From

The Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central),
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Government of India,
Regional Office (Southern Zone),
Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F wing,
17th main Road, Koramangala, Bangalore - 560034

Sir,

Sub: Forest & Wildlife Department - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
- Proposal for diversion of 0.3 ha of forest land in Nenmara
Forest Division for implementation of Palakkuzhi Mini Hydro
Electric Project under Vadakkencherry Section across
Palakkuzhi stream at Thendillam falls - reg

Ref: Letter no. FC1-12966/2015 dated 01.01.2022 from the
Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal
Officer, F(C) Act, Thiruvananthapuram.

I am directed to recommend and forward the proposal in Form A under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.3 ha of forest land in Nenmara Forest Division for implementation of Palakkuzhi Mini Hydro Electric Project across Palakkuzhi stream at Thendillam falls. The Chairperson, Palakkad Small Hydro Company Limited, District Panchayat Building, Palakkad is the user agency. The proposed area falls under Puzhakalidan Malavaram Vested Forest Item No.37/4 of Vadakkencherry Section under Alathur Range in Nenmara Division.

2. Site inspection reports were submitted by the Chief

Conservator of Forests (Eastern Circle), Palakkad and the Divisional Forest Officer, Nenmara with specific recommendations. In the inspection report, Divisional Forest Officer, Nenmara has mentioned that, the proposed site comes under Puzhakkalidam Malavaram Vested Forest item No. 37/4 of Alathur Range in Nenmara Division. The forest land required for laying penstock pipeline in 300 metre length with 10 metre width is steep lying in North-South direction. The vegetation is of dry deciduous type with a vegetation cover of 50%. The proposed alignment will not cause any serious ecological impact to the existing ecosystem. The proposed penstock pipeline is not passing through National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary or elephant corridor. No rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna are found in the area. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Eastern Circle) Palakkad, has reported that the tree species of the area includes Painkanny, Kottupoola, Maruthu, Vengā, Irul, Manjakadambu, Chadachi. The requirement of forest land proposed by the User Agency is bare minimum.

3. The proposal is uploaded in PARIVESH website vide No.FP /KL /HYD/18380/2016 and all due process have been completed.

4. In consideration of the above, the proposal is submitted for according Stage I (in-principle) approval, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. The User Agency shall make online payment of Net Present Value with ad-hoc CAMPA through e-payment module of forest clearance portal.(forestclearance.nic. in)
4. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land of 0.3 ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos 826 in 566 with related IAs in WP(C)202/1995.

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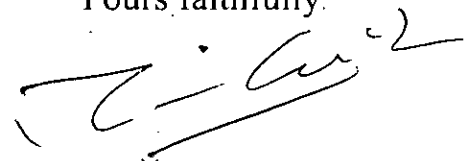
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15. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

16. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change Guideline F. No. 11-42/2017-FC dated 29/01/2018.

Yours faithfully,



RAJESH G R
DEPUTY SECRETARY
For Principal Secretary to Government.

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