

## **GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

## No.C3/40/2016/F&WLD

Forest & Wild Life (C) Department Thiruvananthapuram, Dated : **4**-03-2016

From

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, Regional Office (Southern Zone) Kendriya Sadan, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, E & F Wing, 17<sup>th</sup> Main Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Block, Koramangala, Bangalore - 560 034.

Sir

Sub:- F&WLD - Diversion of 0.758 ha of forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying LPG pipeline by Kochi -salem pipeline Pvt.Ltd -reg

Ref: - Letter No Fc1-51012/2015 dated 09/12/2015 from the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Special Afforestation) & Nodal Officer.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Special Afforestation) & Nodal Officer has forwarded a proposal received from M/s Kochi Salem Pipeline Pvt Ltd(KSPPL) a joint venture between BPCL and IOC for diversion of 0.758ha of forestland for laying LPG pipeline. The proposed land falls in Vaniyampara Station of Pattikkad Range in Thrissur Division(0.1446 ha )and, Vellani station of Peechi Vazhani Wildlife Sanctuary ,(0.475ha) and Vadakkanchery section of Alathur range of Nenmara Forest division.KSPPL is the user agency .The proposed project area has already been diverted for the use of M/s Petronet CCK (Cochin-Coimbatore Kannur Ltd) a joint venture between BPCL and Petronet India Ltd.M/s <sup>1</sup> Petronet has provided their consent for the new project. KSPPL has also agreed to surrender 1.441 ha land which has already been approved for diversion for Cochin-Coimbatore Pipeline in Thrissur district inf avour of BPCL. The APCCF (SA) &NO has reported that the proposed 0.758 ha of forestland does not involve any endangered species and no tree felling is required.

Government have examined the proposal in detail and the same is recommended and forwarded to Government of India for consideration and approval, subject to the following conditions that;

- 1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged,
- 2. Net Present Value of the diverted forest land has to be remitted to Ad-hoc CAMPA account
- 3. The wildlife clearance of State Wildlife Board and National Wildlife Board should be obtained for an extent of 0.4750 ha land which falls in the Peechi Vazhani wildlife Sanctuary.
- 4. An extent of 1.441 ha forestland which obtained the stage -I clearance should be surrendered once the new proposal for diversion of 0.758 ha is approved.
- 5. The land shall not be used for any purpose other than the purpose for which it is diverted.
- 6. When the purpose is served the land will be resumed back to Forest Department.
- 7. The User Agency should abide by any other conditions stipulated by Government of Kerala (Forest Department) in the interest of conservation of forests.
- 8. If any damage is caused to flora and fauna of the forestland it has to be compensated by the User Agency.

Yours faithfully.

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REMA. P. NAIR, Deputy Secretary For Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Enclosure-2 sets of proposal