TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Department), Chennai - 15.

C.No. D1 / 98/ 2022, dated 01.04.2022.

Sir,

Sub:

Forests - Forest Conservation Act 1980 - Kmtr ,Tirunelveli Circle- Thoothukudi Forest Division proposal for diversion of 5.5Hec (now revised as 0.9896ha) of forest land for construction of a Check dam across the Thamirabarani river between Alwarthoppu and Alwarthirunagari villages of Srivaikundam Taluk in Thoothukudi District - online proposal submission by the User Agency ie Thamirabarani Basin Circle, WRD ,Palayamkottai - Proposal submission - regarding.

Ref:

- 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency ,Thamirabarani Basin Circle (FP/TN/IRRIG/ 150193/2021).
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Ref.No.TS4/44927/2021 dated 10.03.2022.
- 3. District Forest Officer, Thoothukudi C,No D/67/2022 Dated 23.03.2022.

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With reference mentioned, I submit that, in the reference 2nd cited, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has informed that the User Agency ie the Executive Engineer, Thamirabarani Basin Circle, WRD, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli District proposal for diversion of 0.9896 ha of forest land for construction of a Check dam across the Thamirabarani river between Alwarthoppu and Alwarthirunagari villages of Srivaikundam Taluk in Thoothukudi District was forwarded to the District Forest Officer, Thooothukudi Division with a request to scrutinize the above proposal thoroughly and upload Part II of Form A proposal along with site inspection report and forward the same through online early.

Accordingly, the District Forest Officer, Thoothukudi Division has inspected the above proposed site on 15.03.2022 and submitted the Part II Proposal along with his site inspection report and also uploaded the same on online portal vide his reference 3rd cited.

Based on that, I have also inspected the above said area on 30.03.2022

along with District Forest Officer Thoothukudi Division and the concerned Forest

Range Officer and the user agency. On verifying it, in Part II recommendations

coloum No. 4 (ii) the details of vegetation available in the Forest land proposed

for diversion is noted as Nil. But, the site inspection report it was mentioned that,

in the proposed area there are 25 numbers of planted babul trees and 18.9655 ton of

Prosophis Juliflora, which have to be removed for carrying out the works in the

proposed area. He has also proposed to raise Compensatory Afforestation

plantation in the degraded forest land identified in Kuthiraimozhitheri RF to an

area of 1.972 Ha with a cost of Rs.18.27 lakhs including 10 years maintenance.

The Wildlife movement in this area is also limited.

Hence, I am submitting herewith the Part III recommendation along with

site inspection report for necessary further action. The same has also been

uploaded online. The enclosures received from the District Forest Officer,

Thoothukudi Divison are submitted in triplicate.

This is for kind submission and necessary action.

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Yours faithfully
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14/2022

SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS AND FIELD DIRECTOR, KALAKAD MUNDANTHURAI TIGER RESERVE,

TIRUNELVELI

Location: For diversion of 0.9896 Ha of forest land for construction of a Check dam across the Thamirabarani river between Alwarthoppu and Alwarthirunagari villages of Srivaikundam Taluk in Thoothukudi District -Online proposal submission by the User Agency ie., the Executive

Engineer, Thamirabarani Basin Circle, WRD ,Palayamkottai

Date of Inspection:30.03.2022

Division: Thoothukudi

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Inspected the site on 30.03.2022, the proposed Check Dam will be constructed in

Alagiyamanavalapuram Reserved Land which is comprises of 51.37 Ha, with rectangular

shape. The Check Dam will be built with dimension of 21 meter width and 440 meter

length parallel to the existing bridge outside the Reserve Land. The proposed Check

dam construction requires an area of 0.9896 Ha (FP/TN/ IRRIG /150193 /2021).

In the proposed Check Dam construction area, there is presence 25 Nos of

planted babul plantation and existence of Prosophis juliflora, which was assessed and

reported by the District Forest officer Thoothukudi, weighing 18.9655 M.T. These Babul,

Prosophis has to be removed before starting the work. The wildlife movements is limited

in the said area. The construction of check dam does not pose any threat to the forest

and wildlife in the region.

The Compensatory Afforestation plan proposed by District Forest officer

Thoothukudi is recommended. Construction of Check Dam may improve the water table

around 1km radius as reported, will be helpful for 1500 Acres of Agricultural land

besides availability surplus drinking water for local people. Hence recommended.

Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve.

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