TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

To

Thiru.T.V.Manjunatha, IFS., Addl Principal Chief Conservator The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)

of Forests, Vellore Circle, Vellore-9.

Chennai - 15.

C. No.4257/2020 /D1/ dated: 01.09.2020.

Sir,

Sub:

Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Vellore Forest Circle / Tirupathur Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 3.439 ha of Forest Land in Necknamalai Reserve Forest of Tirupathur Forest Division in Tirupattur District for formation of road from Muniranvattam to Necknamalai length of 5.525 km -

Online submission of Proposal – Regarding.

Ref:

- 1) Online application uploaded by the User Agency –Block Development Officer, Alangayam, Tirupattur District Proposal No.FP/TN/Road /41790/2019,dt.12.02.2020.
- 2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF) Chennai TS3/7022/2020 dt.27.02.2020.,9.3.2020 and 10.08.2020.
- District Forest Officer, Tirupathur ref. No.1173/2020 dt.25.08.2020.

With reference to the above, I am submitting and enclosing herewith the hard copy of Part-II of Form-A and other relevant documents submitted by the District Forest officer, Tirupattur and Part -III of Form -A for diversion of 3.439 ha of Forest Land in Necknamalai Reserve Forest of Tirupathur Forest Division in Tirupattur District for formation of road from Muniranvattam to Necknamalai to a length of 5.525 km in Necknamalai Reserve Forest of Alangayam Range in Tirupathur Division.

Encl: As stated above

Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

Vellore Circle, Vellore-9.

PART-III (TOBE FILLED BY THE CONCERNED ADDITIONAL PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS)

1	Whether site ,where the Reserved Forest land at present involved is located has been inspected by concerned Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (YES/NO).If yes, the date of inspection and observation made on from	-Nil-
2	of inspection note to be enclosed. Whether the concerned Addl Principal Chief	Yes, I agree with the information given in Part-II by the District Forest Officer,
	Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in part-II and the recommendation of District Forest Officer.	Tirupattur Division, Tirupattur.
3	Specific recommendation of concerned Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed resons.	I agree with the site inspection report of the District Forest Officer Tirupattur and recommend the proposal with following observations: 1. Any developmental work taken up in the forests will cause disturbance to the natural habitat and ecosystem. But we need to accommodate such works by incorporating maximum possible mitigating measures to minimize the damage to the natural ecosystems. 2. This road will cause permanent disturbance to the movement of wild animals and fragmentation of forests. 3. Movement of vehicles and machines will cause forest fires, more so during summer months. 4. Man Animal conflicts will increase as the movement of people will increase after the road formation. 5. Watershed value may deteriorate affecting Natural regeneration in the area.

The above mentioned few major disturbances are foreseen among many other things. In order to mitigate the above, the user agency may be asked to allot funds of about Rs.20.00 lakhs every year to prevent / minimize forest fires, man animal conflicts, providing in situ drinking water to animals to prevent them to go in search of water, and to facilitate natural regeneration.

Since the Government is proposing to provide communication to the local villagers, I hereby recommend the proposal for consideration with above conditions inter alia considering all other prescribed conditions that are in force.

Place: Vellore

Date:01.09.2020

Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Vellore Circle, Vellore-9.

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