<u>Site Inspection Report of the Thiru.A.Periasamy, I.F.S.,</u> <u>Conservator of Forests(FAC), Dharmapuri Circle, Dharmapuri</u>

Name of the Project : Diversion of 0.792 Ha under Forest

(Conservation) Act 1980 for laying of underground optical fibre cable along Dharmapuri to Anchetty road of Hogenakkal stretch partially in Dharmapuri Forest division and in Hosur Forest

Division.

Date of Inspection : 02-11-2021

Inspected the area proposed for diversion of 0.792 Ha of Forest Land in Pennagaram RF (0.372 Ha) and Woddapatty RF (Part) (0.105 Ha) in Hogenakkal Range of Dharmapuri Forest Division and Biligundulu RF (0.210Ha) and Woddapatty RF (Part) (0.105Ha) in Anchetty Range of Hosur Division on 02-11-2021 along with the staffs of the Hogenakkaland PennagaramRange of Dharmapuri Forest Division and Anchetty Range of Hosur Forest Division.



Inspected with Staffs of the Hogenakkal and Pennagaram Range of Dharmapuri Division

Inspected with Staffs of the Anchetty of Hosur Division

The proposed site for laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable for improving communication networking 4G facility lies along the stretches of Dharmapuri to Anchetty route of Hogenakkal stretch which is passing through the Pennagaram RF, Woddapatty RF(Part) in Dharmapuri Forest Division and Biligundulu RF, Woddapatty RF(Part) in Wildlife Division, Hosur.

The proposed alignment of laying OFC is lies along one side of the existing block topped road from Bevanur check post to Hogenakkal and again from Ootamalai to Biligundulu in Dharmapuri Forest division and continuous from Woddapatty RF(Part) and Biligundulu RF in Hosur Forest division.

As certified by the District Collectors, Dharmapuri and Krishnagiri there is no suitable non forest land is available for laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable from Dharmapuri to Anchetty in Dharmapuri & Krishnagiri district for this linear project the forest area has been chosen as it is inevitable.

From the reports of the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri / Wildlife Warden, Hosur it is seen that there is no tree felling in the proposed area along the Dharmapuri to Anchetty route and no damages to wildlife due to this project.

It has also been reported by the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri that the forest area required for this project within Dharmapuri Division jurisdiction is 0.445 Ha instead of 0.477 Ha proposed by the User Agency.

The following are the details of breakup of area requirement for laying OFC from Dharmapuri to Anchetty route. Thus the total length of the OFC is 25.30 Km. Taking into account of the width of the trench to 0.30 Meters and Depth of the trench upto 1 to 2 meters the total area for diversion works out to 0.760 Ha.

The Reserved Forest wise area required for diversion is

SI. No	Name of the Division	As per proposal		Actual ,	
		Length in Km	Area	Length in Km	Area
1	Dharmapuri	,	- 4		
	i. Pennagaram RF	12.40	0.372 Ha	11.35	0.370 Ha
	ii. Woddapatty RF (Part)	3.50	0.105 Ha	3.45	0.075 Ha
	Sub Total	15.90	0.477 Ha	14.80	0.445 Ha

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		Length in Km	Area	Length in Km	Area
2	Hosur				
	i. Woddapatty RF (Part)	3.50	0.105 Ha	3.50	0.105 Ha
	ii. Biligundulu RF	7.00	0.210 Ha	7.00	0.210 Ha
	Sub Total	10.50	0.315 Ha	10.50	0.315 Ha
	Grand Total	26.40	0.792 Ha	25.30	0.760 Ha

As the proposed area for diversion of forest land for laying OFC is out of the National Park / Wildlife Sanctuary and has no felling of trees are involved it does not require payment of Net Present Value as per the rulings in force.

In as much as the trench is restored to original position / land scape the question of damages or otherwise by the wild animal does not arise. The total forest area to be utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.760 Ha to a length of 25.30 Km.

I agree with the remarks offered by the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri and Wildlife Warden, Hosur in their field inspection report. Under the above circumstances, I recommend the proposal seeking diversion of forest land 0.760 Ha for improving communication networking 4G facility.

Conservator of Forests (FAC),

Dharmapuri Circle, Dharmapuri.

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To

The District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri Forest Division, Dharmapuri The Wildlife Warden, Hosur Wildlife Division, Hosur.