

Site Inspection Report of the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri

Name of the Project : Diversion of 4.81Ha (Revised to 4.61Ha) of Forest land in Kesarkuli Reserved Forest (4.42Ha) and Thirumalvadi Reserved Land (0.19Ha) of Palacode Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division for formation of road from Seengadu to Alakkattu via Erimalai village for a length of 6.384kms and a width of 6.00m from Seenkadu to Erimalai and 5.00mtr width from Erimalai to Alakkattu in Pennagaram Taluk of Dharmapuri District.

Name of User Agency : The Block Development Officer, Pennagaram, Dharmapuri District.

Date of Inspection : 13.01.2025.

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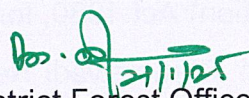
The proposed site was inspected by me on 13-01-2025. The proposal submitted by the User Agency for requesting prior permission under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980, for diversion of 4.61 ha of forest land in Kesarkuli Reserved Forest and Thirumalvadi Reserved Land in Palacode Range of Dharmapuri Forest Division for formation of road from Seengadu to Alakkattu via Erimalai village.


The proposed area is passing through the Kesarkuli Reserved Forest and Thirumalvadi RL of Palacode Range. During the field inspection of the proposed area, it is observed that,

1. The User Agency, i.e., The Block Development Officer, Pennagaram in Dharmapuri District has not yet commenced any work in the field, therefore

the question of violation of provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 does not arise and there is no encroachments in this area.

2. The Forest land required for the project is part of the Cauvery South Wildlife sanctuary in Dharmapuri forest division.
3. The proposed total length of the road is 6.384kms, in that 6.279kms falls in the Kesarkuli Reserved Forest which was recently declared as the Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary and the portion of the road is already excluded from the Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary vide G.O.(Ms).No.193 Environment, Climate Change & Forests (FR.5) department dated.7.11.2022 and the remaining length of 105mtrs of the proposed road falls in Thirumalvadi Reserved land which is outside the Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary and falls within the default Eco sensitive zone of 10km radius.
4. In the alignment of the proposed road, there are exists 124 numbers of trees such as Albizia amara, Chloroxylon swietenia, Azadirachta indica, Tamarindus indica, Hardwickia binata, Diospyrus Montana are spontaneous growth in nature and requires felling.
5. The proposed road is to be laid to a length 6384mtr and to a width of 6.00m from Seenkadu to Erimalai and 5.00mtr width from Erimalai to Alakkattu.


District Forest Officer,
Dharmapuri Forest Division,
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Photograph showing the inspection of proposed project site by the District Forest Officer, Dharmapuri Forest Division, Dharmapuri for formation of road from Seenkadu to Alakkattu via Erimalai village on 13-01-2025.



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