

INSPECTION NOTE OF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,
VELLORE CIRCLE, VELLORE

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The area proposed for diversion of 0.845 ha. of Forest land lies in Alangayam Reserved Forest in Alangayam Range of Tirupattur Forest Division. The proposed site was inspected by me on 10.05.2022. The Alangayam Reserved Forest was notified in the year 1887 and the total area of the Reserved Forest is 4690.47 ha.

The proposal Road work is "Widening and Improvement of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road at km 58/6 to 61/2 with paved shoulders (SH 215). The proposal is to construct 1 meter width of paved shoulders along with 0.70 meter of strengthening of side burns on either side of the existing road. The existing road has a width of 3.75 meters presently and passes through Alangayam Reserved Forests for a length of 2.485 kms. For widening of this road, an area of 0.845 hectares of road for a length of 2485 meters and extra width of 3.40 meters.

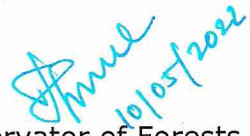
There is no alternative non forest land available to connect the nearby marketing centers. This road from 58/6 to 61/2 is having single lane carriage way of 3.75 mts. The stretch from km 58/6 to 61/2 passes through the mountainous area with gentle slope. Due to the restricted width of 3.75 meters, the area regularly faces traffic issues and is prone to accidents. Due to the difference in level between the riding surface and the pitching stones laid in the road shoulders the road users are facing great hardships. Hence it is proposed to raise the level of the road shoulders portion only for ensuring safety of road users.

The area requested for diversion does not come under national park or wildlife sanctuary. There is no spontaneous growth noticed in the area requested for diversion. There is no tree cutting involved in the area proposed for widening. There is no new impact on the wildlife as the road is already existing and the proposal is only for widening. There is no violation noticed with respect to the provisions of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 in the said area. The widening of this stretch along with paved shoulders is highly essential for avoiding traffic congestion and also to regulate rain water draining along the hill slope.

Hence, the proposal is recommended based on public interest.

Place : Vellore

Date : 10.05.2022.


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