SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, SIVAGANGAI

DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND IN NATTUCHERI R.F. OF SIVAGANGAI RANGE FOR DEDICATED WATER SUPPLY SCHEME BY ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, TWAD BOARD, KARAIKUDI

An area of 0.0696 hectares of forest land in Nattucheri R.F. of Sivagangai Range was proposed to be diverted for laying pipeline for Dedicated Water Supply Scheme to 8 Town Panchayats, 2452 Rural Habitations with bulk provisions to 3 Municipalities by Assistant Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, Karaikudi.

During inspection, the length of to be change out line is measured along the line of proposed site confirmed as 870m. The pipeline proposed to be laid is a HDPE pipe of 75mm and 63mm diameter. It was proposed to lay the pipe at a depth of 1.2m by digging earth in a width of 0.8m. The Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) informed that the pipe will be laid on the left side of the road from Nattucheri village to Aranmanaivayal in Karaikudi Taluk and also cross the road located in the Nattucheri R.F. The Forest Range Officer, Sivagangai Range informed that the actual length measured on ground in the proposed line of alignment is 870m which is confirmed in the site during this joint inspection. Hence, the area of forest land to be diverted in the said Reserved Forest for this project is length 870m x 0.8m = 0.0696 hectares.

The AEE informed that no trees or vegetation will be felled or disturbed during the execution of the project. While questioning about the machinery to be used for excavation and its impact, the AEE informed that an earth mover will be used without disturbing the vegetation and the excavated earth will be dumped on the road side and not on the forest side.

The project is important for the welfare of the people of the 8 Town Panchayats, 2452 Rural Habitations with bulk provisions to 3 Municipalities and it will be a solution to drinking water in the area. It is a diversion proposed along the roadside and the AEE informed that the excavation will be immediately closed after laying the pipes without affecting the migrating animals.

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