

**SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER,**  
**NAMAKKAL FOREST DIVISION**

*(For the Forest land to be diverted under FCA)*

A proposal has been received by this office from the Block Development Officer, Vennandhur block of Rasipuram Taluk for diversion (under FCA-1980) of 2.71 ha forest land for non-forestry purpose. The subject envisages the use of forest land for formation of black top road from Pudupatti to Kidamalai Tribal village in Pudupatti Reserved Forests of Namakkal Division. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on 13.07.2018 and on 20.07.2018.

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency falls in Pudupatti Reserved Forest measuring 2.71 ha.

The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project considering the gradient to align the road to reach the hill top where the village of Kidamalai is located as an enclosure in Pudupatti Reserved Forests.

There is no rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna found in this area.

There is no protected archaeological / heritage site / defence establishment or any other important monument is located in this area. As such the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, is not required.

- a) The user agency has not violated the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.

**Specific recommendation for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal**

The approach road from Pudupatti to Kidamalai tribal village through Pudupatti Reserved Forest has an admitted right of way to a width of 3 yards (2.74 meters) and to a length of three miles and 2 furlongs (5230.367 meters) as specified under Section 16 Notification of Pudupatti Reserved Forest. The possibility of forming road in the existing right of way **is** very difficult due to steep terrain. Therefore a new alignment has been proposed by following the admissible gradient for road formation for easy movement of vehicles. Further, there are 102 number of spontaneous growth trees are existing in the proposed diversion area which are required to be felled before taking up of the project.

By laying road from Pudupatti to Kidamalai villages, nearly 550 tribal people will get connectivity and also they will get other basic amenities like health care & education facilities. Therefore diversion of 2.71 ha of forest land in Pudupatti Reserved Forest is recommended for establishing road connectivity to the unconnected villages.

Place : Namakkal

(Signature) :



Date : 05.09.2018

Name

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**District Forest Officer  
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