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From

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Forest Management) &
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Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud,
Thiruvananthapuram.

To

The Additional Chief Secretary,
Forest & Wildlife Department,
Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram.

Sir,

Sub :- Forest Department – Proposal for diversion of 0.1 ha of forest land under section 2 Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the reconstruction of Chekkupalam on Thalassery-Irikkur road, Kannur – Recommendation - regarding.

Ref :- 1. Online Proposal No. FP/KL/Others/38746/2019.
2. Letter No. P-4943/2019 dated 19.07.2019 of Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle) Kannur.

A proposal in Form A under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.1 ha of forest land in Kottiyoor Range of Kannur Forests Division for the reconstruction of Chekkupalam on Thalassery-Irikkur road, Kannur, has been received from Assistant Engineer, PWD, Bridge Section, Thalassery vide reference 1st cited. The proposed project is for reconstruction of Chekkupalam across Anocharakkandy river in Ummanchira on Thalassery-Irikkur road. The bridge is on the road which connects Thalassery with Kannur International Airport via Pinaryi, Irikkur. The proposed area falls under Mangrove Reserve Forest bit located in Pinaryi Village Sy. No. 9/2.

Inspection reports were submitted by Chief Conservator of Forests (Northern Circle) Kannur and Divisional Forest Officer, Kannur and recommended for the project. As per the inspection report of Divisional Forest Officer and Chief Conservator of Forests it is informed that, the trees standing along road side have to be cleared. Most of the areas along the road sides are owned by PWD. But the said location is falling in Mangrove Reserve Forest area notified under Mission Mangroves Kannur – 2015 Project. The total enumerated trees have to be felled for the above project is 26 Nos of miscellaneous species and 38 Nos of Mangrove species. Moreover this mangrove area, 0.10 ha is essential for widening the road and there is no alternative route, hence recommended for diversion since the road will be helpful for the public.

FRA certificate in Form I has also been submitted by District Collector, Kannur. The proposal is already uploaded in Union Ministry's website vide proposal No. FP/KL/Others/38746/2019 and due procedures completed. The proposal in three sets is also submitted herewith.

In this circumstance, necessary steps may be taken for sanction from Government of India for diversion of 0.1 ha of forest land for the purpose, subject to the following conditions.

1. Legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
2. The User Agency shall pay Net Present Value as per guidelines issued by Government of India.
3. The User Agency shall give an undertaking to pay additional Net Present Value if required.
4. Cost of raising of 10 times the number of trees to be felled shall be deposited by the User Agency.
5. The User Agency shall make payment of cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value etc. as per the mode described. (forestclearance.nic.in)
6. The User Agency shall not fell any trees other than those marked for felling or cause damage to the surrounding forest and shall take all possible measures to conserve tree growth.
7. The User Agency shall not use the forest land for any purpose other than the purpose for which the forest land is diverted.
8. When the forest land is no longer required for the purpose, the land will be resumed back to the Forest Department.

9. The User Agency shall abide by any other condition imposed later on by Government of Kerala/Forest Department in the interest of Forest Conservation.

The proposal along with Part IV duly filled is submitted herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure: Proposal in triplicate


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Management) & Nodal Officer,
F(C) Act


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Form A

PART – IV

(To be filled in by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest Department)

17.	Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks	In view of the site inspection reports of Divisional Forest Officer, Kannur and Chief Conservator of Forest (Northern Circle) Kannur and considering the fact that the area proposed is the barest minimum, the proposal is recommended.
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(While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).



(Official Seal)

Signature

Name & Designation

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