

Part – II

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

Name of proposal:

Diversion of 4.00 ha of Forest land in Pallipatti, Thombakkal and Thombakkal Extension Reserved Forests in Harur Range of Dharmapuri Forest Division for formation of approach road from Vachathi to Kalasapadi via Arasanatham and Poigundanvalasu Tribal habitations in Sitheri Panchayat of Pappireddipatty Taluk, Dharmapuri District

I	Location of the Project / Schemes		
i.	State / Union Territory	:	Tamil Nadu
ii.	District	:	Dharmapuri
iii.	Forest Division, Reserved Forest	:	Dharmapuri Forest Division, Pallipatti RF, Thombakkal RF and Thombakkal Extension RF.
iv.	Area of Forest land proposed for diversion (in ha)	:	<p>1. Pallipatti RF : 2473m X 6.00m = 14838 sq.m.</p> <p>2. Thombakkal RF : 900m X 6.00m = 5400 sq.m.</p> <p>3. Thombakkal Extn RF : 1800m X 6.00m = 10800.00 sq.m.</p> <p>4. Add for Curves : 8962.00 sq.m.</p> <p>Total area = 40000.00 sq.m (or) 4.00 ha</p>
v.	Legal Status of Forest	:	Reserved Forest
vi.	Density of vegetation	:	0.25
vii.	Species-wise (be enclosed in case of irrigation / diameter class wise enumeration of trees (to meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed	:	In the alignment of the proposed road of 6m in width, there are exists 16 numbers of trees which are spontaneous growth in nature. Hence as per the opinion of the REC subcommittee during the field inspection on 13.12.2022 the tarring portion of 3.75mtr width will be made along the alignment of the existing mud road such that, the marked trees need not to be felled (The User agency has furnished a letter for no trees to be felled)

viii.	Brief note on vulnerability of the Forest area to erosion	:	Already eroded. No Soil to be eroded.
ix.	Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of Forest	:	Zero
x.	Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife sanctuary, Biosphere reserve, Tiger reserve, Elephant corridor, etc., (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed)	:	Nil
xi.	Whether any rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna found in the area if so details thereof.	:	Nil
xii.	Whether any protected archaeological / Heritage site / Defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If, so the details thereof with NOC from competent authority. If required.	:	Nil
8.	Whether the requirement of Forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and breast minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.	:	Yes
9.	Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No) If yes, details of the same including period of work in done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress	:	No
10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme	:	
i.	Details of Non-Forest / Degraded Forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining Forest number of patches, size of each patch.	:	The Compensatory afforestation land of 8.00 ha identified in non-Forest land area in Survey Field No. 692/7 of No.18 of Kammampatti village has already good growth of vegetation. Hence the Compensatory afforestation to be raised at Thoppur Reserved Forest (Degraded Forest land) in 8.00Ha of Dharmapuri Range (Google Earth map is enclosed)
ii.	Map showing Non-Forest / Degraded	:	Map is enclosed for the Degraded Forest

	Forest area identified for the compensatory afforestation adjoining Forest Boundaries.		land Identified in Thoppur Reserved Forest of Dharmapuri Range for compensatory afforestation.
iii.	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme species to be planted improving agency, time schedule, cost structure etc.	:	Native species (CA Scheme enclosed).
iv.	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation Scheme	:	Rs.127.998 Lakhs (CA Scheme enclosed).
v.	Certificate from Competent authority for suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation for afforestation and from management point of view (to be signed by and officer not below the rate of (Deputy Conservator of Forests) Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 79 xi, xii) 8 and 9 above.	:	Necessary certificate for suitability of Compensatory Afforestation is enclosed.
11	Site inspection report of the DCF, especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7 (xi, xii) 8 and 9 above.	:	Yes, enclosed.
12.	Division / District profile:		Dharmapuri Forest Division
i.	Geographical area of the district.	:	4497.77 Sq. K.M.
ii.	Forest area of the Division.	:	1,64,901.142 Ha (1649.01 Sq. K.M.)
iii.	Total Forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases.	:	Area 121.6585 ha. 22 Nos

Forest area diverted details:

Sl. No.	Name of the user agency	Purpose	Area (in. ha)
1	Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited (TAMIN)	Black Granite Quarry (Lease period completed 01-07-2003 to 30-06-2013)	3.36
2	National Thermal Power Corporation of India limited	Laying Bangalore to Salem 400KV Transmission Line at Parigam Reserved Forest.	7.70
3	Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation limited (TTDC)	Construction of a suspension bridge at Hogenakkal in Bevanurmalai RF	0.002
4	Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD)	Hogenakkal Water supply & Fluorosis Mitigation Project	12.75
5	Power Grid Corporation of India Limited	Laying Kolar – Salem 400 KV Transmission line at Parigam and Nagarkoodal RF	15.215

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6	National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)	Four lanning of National Highways in Thoppur and Parigam RF	0.9412
7	Town Panchayat, Pennagaram	Laying drinking water Pipeline at Pennagaram RF.	0.66
8	Town Panchayat, Pennagaram	Laying 11 KV Under Ground cable EB line at Pennagaram RF.	0.55
9	District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), Dharmapuri	Formation of road from Vathalmalai adivaram to Vathalmalai Periyur in Noolahalli-Reddihalli RF.	8.085
10	District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), Dharmapuri	Formation of Road from Gandhinagar to Malaiyur Village in Papprapatti RF	3.316
11	District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), Dharmapuri	Formation of road from Annamalaihalli - Antherikottai in Annamalaihalli RL.	1.92
12	Power Grid Corporation of India Limited	Construction of 765KV Dharmapuri - Madugiri Single Circuit Transmission line in Papprapatti RF	6.42
13	Power Grid Corporation of India Limited	Laying Nagapattinam - Dharmapuri (Salem) 765KV Double Circuit transmission line at Noolahalli-Reddihalli RF	12.40
14	Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD)	Construction of pumping station for Hogenakkal Water supply & Fluorosis Mitigation Project at Kesurkuli and Morappur RF	0.015
15	Tamil Nadu Electricity Board Udayapatti, Salem.	Construction of 400 KV Double circuit quad mouse in Parigam RF	0.992
16	Tamil Nadu Electricity Board Harur.	Laying 11 KV double circuit transmission line from Keelsengapadi to Bairanaikkanpatti village in Theerthamalai RF.	3.29
17	Public Works Department, Dharmapuri	Construction of reservoir across Varattar at Thombakkal RF.	24.88
18	Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD) Harur.	Construction of Major balancing reservoir to provide drinking water for the publics at Mookkanur Additional RL.	0.12
19	Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD) Harur.	Construction of booster pumping stations and brake pressure tank to provide drinking water supply to Harur and Pappireddipatti Taluks to Providing drinking water for the publics at Thombakkal Extension RF, Karungal RF, Karungal Extension RF and Nochikuttai RF	0.48

Sl. No.	Name of the user agency	Purpose	Area (in. ha)
		for HWS & FMP	
20	The Registrar, Periyar University, Salem.	Diversion of Forest land for establishment of College of Arts and Science at Harur in Harur RF.	1.2023
21	Assistant General Manager, Power Grid NM Corporation, Salem.	Laying of 765 KV single circuit transmission line between Nagapattinam - Mathugiri at Pallipatty RF.	11.00
22	Assistant General Manager, Power Grid NM Corporation, Salem.	Laying of 800 KV HVDC transmission line between Raigarh to Pugalur at Kalappambadi RF.	6.36
	Total		121.6585

iv.	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the District / Division since 1980 on.		
a.	Forest Land	:	121.584 Ha.
b.	Non-Forest Land	:	117.1814 Ha.
v.	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on Date	:	05-01-2023
a.	Forest Land	:	121.584 Ha.
b.	Non-Forest Land	:	117.1814 Ha.
vi.	Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons	:	<p>The proposal submitted by the User Agency for diversion of 4.00 ha of Forest land in Pallipatti, Thombakkal and Thombakkal Extension Reserved Forests of Harur Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division for formation of approach road from Vachathi to Kalasapadi via Arasanatham and Poigundanvalasu Tribal habitations in Sitheri Panchayat in Pappireddipatty Taluk, Dharmapuri District.</p> <p>In the alignment of the proposal road, Right of Way S.No.V states that the path entering the valley east of irumiampatti of which one branch runs southwards for three miles through the block to kakkambadi, and the other branch runs in the block eastwards for a mile and a half and then turns southward for about</p>

	<p>the same distance along the valley of the Malaikoopparai stream and goes towards kalasapadi. The Right of way to a width of six yards for men and cattle was admitted in the Fort st.George Gazette notification of Pallipatti Reserved Forest, No.311, dated.11.10.1930. But no such Right of way provisions were allowed in the Thombakkal and Thombakkal extension Reserved Forest notifications.</p> <p>The proposed road connects Vachathi and Kalasapadi via Arasanatham Poigundanvalasu Tribal habitations. Until now there is no any other alternative road for them to drive vehicles. This is the long-lasting demand by the village peoples for the past twenty years. This demand has also been raised in the Legislative Assembly often.</p> <p>The project proponent has given undertakings to bear the cost of Net Present Value, Additional Net Present Value, Compensatory Afforestation with maintenance and lease rent as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation in future for the forest land to be diverted etc. The work will be permitted after strict supervision of Forest Officers. Possible damage to wild flora and fauna due to this project is very low.</p> <p>Considering the above facts and field observations, I recommend this proposal for seeking diversion of forest land.</p>
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Signature.

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