

**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From

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To

The Conservator of Forests,  
Dharmapuri Circle,  
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**C.No. 8322/2017-D1, dated: 11.02.2021**

(ஸ்ரீ சர்வாரி வருடம், தை , திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2051)

Sir,

Sub : Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 – Hosur Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.312 ha of forest land in Noganur and Panai Reserve Forests for laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) – Online proposal submitted by the User Agency i.e. M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai – Regarding.

- Ref : 1. Government Letter No. 15939/FR.10/2020-1 Dated: 24.12.2020.  
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai C.No.TS3/37892/2019 dated: 30.12.2020.  
3. The Conservator of Forests, Dharmapuri C.No. 7324/2019/D Dated: 20.01.2021.  
4. The Forest Range Officer, Anchetty Lr. dated. 11.02.2021.  
5. The Forest Range Officer, Denkanikottai Lr. dated. 11.02.2021.

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I submit to state that, with reference to the above letter cited, I am furnishing my remarks as follows;

1. The proposed area of 0.042 ha for Laying Optical fiber cable for M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai, which is passing along the Right of way in the Noganur Reserved Forest, it is notified in the Fort St. George Gazette dated 03.07.1888. As per the notification, the Right of Way (RoW) is allowed to a width of 44 yards (132 feet). In this RoW, the black topping of the road was laid to a width of 5.50 m, on each side of the road shoulder is 1.5 m and the nature drain portion is 1 m on the upper side of the road. Hence, it is observed that, the proposed laying for OFC will be carried out inside the Right of Way, which is alongside of the road.
2. The proposed area of 0.270 ha for Laying Optical fiber cable is passing along the Right of way No. 1 in Panai Reserved Forest, it is notified in the Fort St. George

Gazette dated 11.06.1901. As per the notification, the Right of Way is allowed to a width of 18 feet for men, Cattle and cart. In this RoW, the black toping of the road was laid to a width of 5.50 m, shoulder for the road is 1.5 m on each side of the road and nature drain portion is 1 m in the upper side of the road. Hence, the proposed laying for OFC has to be laid along the side of the road, which is outside the Right of Way.

The copy of the above Reserved Forest Notifications have been uploaded in the web portal - Part II of the "Additional information Details".

Further I submit to state that, part of the proposed area i.e. 0.270 ha passing in Panai RF is part of Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary. Hence, the User Agency has applied for the project proposal for obtaining clearance from the National Board for Wildlife through online and it is under process.

**Encl:** As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

  
Wildlife Warden,  
Hosur Forest Division.

  
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