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To

The Secretary,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Environment & Forest Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 600 005.

Sub:- Diversion of 0.84 ha. of forest land in Nallur R.F. for laying of access Road to reach Engineering College run by Ms. Sapthagiri Education Trust in Kancheepuram district.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the State Govt.'s letter No. 19730/FR11/2001-2 dated 18-1-2-2001 and 11/8/2003 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section "2" of F(C) Act, 1980 for the above project. The stage I approval to the project was accorded by the Central Government vide letter of even No. dated 15-9-2003. The State Government vide letter No. 19730/FR.10/2001-13 dated 1-11-2004 has reported the compliance to the conditions stipulated by Central Government in the Stage I approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's approval (stage II) for diversion of 0.84 ha. of forest land in Nallur Reserved Forest in Tambaram Range, Chengalpattu Division in Kancheepuram district for access road to the Engineering College run by M/s. Sapthagiri Educational Trust, subject to the following conditions.

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) The penal compensatory afforestation shall be raised over 1.68 ha. of identified non forest land at Sy. No. 216 and 218/part of Perunthandalam village, Chengalpattu taluk, Kancheepuram district at the cost of the user agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensation afforestation site, if any.


- (iii) The non forest land for penal compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as R.F. under Section "4" or P.F under Section "29" of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Act within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall report compliance within six months.
- (iv) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the forest area diverted under this proposal from the user agency as per the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 30-10-2002 and 1-8-2003 in I.A. No. 566 in WP(C) No. 202/95 and the guidelines issued by Ministry vide letter No. 5-1/1998-FC(Pt.II) dated 18-9-2003 and 22-9-2003 in this regard.
- (v) The State Government shall deposit all the above funds realized towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value with the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (CAMPA) which has already been constituted and notified by the Central Government on 23-4-2004. Till such time CAMPA intimates the Head of Accounts for depositing funds, the funds will be maintained in the form of fixed deposits in the name of Nodal Officer or concerned Divisional Officer of the State Government. The funds realized towards the N.P.V and the C.A. shall not be utilized by the State Government.
- (vi) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.84 ha. In case the land is not used for the stipulated purpose, then the area will be resumed by the Forest Department.
- (vii) Any other conditions to be stipulated by the State Government/PCCF, Tamil Nadu in the interest of conservation of forests.

Yours faithfully,

(Sobhana K.S. Rao)
Dy. Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

- 1) The Director General of Forests and Special Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 2) The P.C.C.F/Nodal Officer, Government of Tamil Nadu, No. 1 Jeenis Road, Panagal building, Saidapet, Chennai - 15.
- 3) The C.C.F/Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Government of Tamil Nadu. No.1 Jeenis Road, Panagal building, Saidapet, Chennai - 15.
- 4) ✓ The Chairman, Sapthagiri Educational Trust, "Sai Nivas", 33/1, Bazullah road, T.Nagar, Chennai-600017.
- 5) Guard file


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