

**Proposal for laying underground Optical Fibre cable along the road side across Paramasivankovilkaradu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373 km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband**

**17.03.2021**

**RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, THENI.**

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The project for diversion of 0.022Ha forest land is Valkaradu Reserved Forest and Paramasivan Kovil Reserved Land of Theni Range and it doesn't fall in Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of Megamalai and Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuaries and also does not falls under Ecologically Sensitive Area (ESA).

Proposed site doesn't have any important monuments / heritage site and is devoid of vegetation as it is 0.373 km along the existing road side from Bus Stand to Sivaji Nagar across Valkaradu RF and 0.365 km along existing road side from Bus Stand to District Collector Office,Theni. The District Collector has certified there is no alternate non forest land, the User Agency has not carried out any work in violation of provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Since the project aims to provide improvement of Communication infrastructure and Hon'ble Prime Ministers vision of Digital India, the diversion of 0.022Ha. of forest land may be permitted.

  
**District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division, Theni.**