

SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER,
PUDUKKOTTAI

Diversion of forest land in Sengeerai RF of Thirumayam Range for Laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) along road side from Arimalam to Rayavaram across Sengeerai RF.

An area of 0.165 Ha of Forest Land in Sengeerai RF of Thirumayam Range was proposed to be diverted for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) along road side from Arimalam to Rayavaram across Sengeerai RF by Jio Reliance Digital Fibre Private Ltd.,

During inspection on 09.03.2023, the length of proposed site is measured as 5.49 k.m. It was proposed to lay the OFC at a depth of 1 to 2 meter by digging earth in a width of 0.30m. The Senior Executive Officer informed that the OFC will be laid on the left side of the road from Arimalam to Rayavaram across Sengeerai RF. The Forest Range Officer, Thirumayam Range informed that the actual length measured on ground in the proposed site is 5.49 k.m which is confirmed in the site during this joint inspection. Hence, the area of forest land to be diverted in the said Reserved land for this project is $5.49\text{k.m} \times 0.30\text{m} = 0.165\text{ ha}$.

The Senior Executive Officer informed that no trees or vegetation will be felled or disturbed during the execution of the project. While questioning about the machinery to be used for excavation and its impact, Senior Executive Officer informed that an earth mover will be used without disturbing the vegetation and the excavated earth will be refilled and compressed on the same place.

The project is important for better connectivity of 4G network to all the publics for communication. The Senior Executive Officer also informed that the excavation will be immediately closed after laying the underground OFC without affecting the migrating wildlife.


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