

SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS SALEM CIRCLE.

(For the Forest land to be diverted under FCA)

A proposal has been received by this office from the District Forest Officer, Namakkal for diversion (under FCA-1980) of 5.96 ha. of forest land for non forestry purpose. The subject envisages the use of forest land for formation of Road from Keelur to Vadugamelur in Mallur Reserved Forests of Namakkal Division. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on dated 24.09.2018

On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is a forest measuring 5.96 ha.

The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of part-I is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project considering the gradient to align the road to reach the hill top where the village of Keelur and Melur in Hill Top in Mallur Reserved Forests which is located as enclosure in Mallur Reserved Forests.

There is no rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in this area.

There is no protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in this area. As such the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, is not required.

(a) The user agency has not violated the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.

Specific recommendation for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal.

While declaring the Mallur Reserved Forests under section 16 of Tamilnadu Forest Act 1882 there is a admitted right off way was allowed to connect the Pattanam Village (via Vadugamelur) which is situated at Foot hills of the Mallur Reserved Forests connecting Keelur Melur villages which is situated hill top to a distance of 1 ½ miles (2.4 Km) to a width of 4 Feet.

As per the proposals of the User Agency it is proposed to form the road from Vadugamelur to Keelur village of distance of 23.625 Km. Out of which 12.95 Km falls in Mallur Reserved Forests (Km 0/100 to Km 13/050). The total area of 5.96 Ha. was calculated as per the area surveyed with a minimum width of 4.5m.

From the inspection it has been noticed that it is not possible to improve the existing right of way as a motorable road in view of its abnormal/improper gradient. Hence new alignment has been proposed following the admissible gradient for road formation for easy movement of vehicles. Further there are 260 spontaneous Grown Trees are to be felled in the road alignment area. The road formation will provide communication facilities to the 956 tribal living in the area and get benefit of education, primary health, marketing facilities, employment, etc.. which will in turn improve the socio economic status of the poor tribal community.

Place : Salem

Date: .09.2018

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