Recommendation

The road at present used by Sri Sairam Engineering College is 700 meter in length and 7.5 meter width which leads to the college. Already an area of 0.84 ha in Nallur Reserve Forest was diverted by Government of India by giving Stage - I and Stage - II clearance and Government of TamilNadu issued a Government Order for diversion of 0.84 ha of area in Nallur Reserve Forest along. Right of Way No: 6 for forming road to Sri Sairam Engineering College during 2003 - 2004.

The existing road based on above diversion was formed for 700 meter to a width of 7.5 meter not along Right of Way No. 6. Hence it's a violation. For reclassification of area of M/S Sapthagiri Educational Trust in Poonthandalam Villagge as an institutional Zone, the road width of 18 meter is required according to the condition of Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority as per its Letter No: R1/ 21213/ 2011 dated: 21.12.2011, Letter No: R1/ 7635/ 2011 dated: 26.12.2011 and Letter No: R1/ 21213/ 2012 dated: 22.12.2012.

In lieu of the diversion of 0.84 ha, during 2003-2004, 1.68 ha of area in S.No: 216 and 218 in Perunthandalam Village, Chengalpattu Range was received as Compensatory Land. Now M/S Sapthagiri Educational Trust has applied for 1) Widening of existing road upto 20 meter for a length of 700 meter (For 700 meter x 12 meter, permission was accorded by Government of India along Right of Way No. 6 but the existing road is not along Right of Way No. 6 which is a violation).

Now M/S Sapthagiri Education Trust has applied for

- (i) Widening of this road for 700 meter x 8 meter.
- (ii) Additional area near entrance at the end of 700 Meters of road (40x20) 0.08 ha. Totally 0.64 ha is now requested for diversion.

The existing road is the only road used by M/S Sapthagiri Educational Trust and around 10,500 Students are studying. In S.No: 216 and 218, 1.68 ha of land in

Perunthandalam Village of Chengalpatu Range was received as compensatory afforestation land for 0.84 ha area diverted during 2003-2004. As per CMDA, for reclassification of area as institutional zone, a road width of 18 meter in required, hence this proposal for diversion of 0.64 ha area in Nallur Reserve Forest is recommended with penal action.

There is a violation by M/S Sapthagiri Educational Trust in formation of existing road to a length of 700 meter and 7.5 meter width as it is not along Right of Way No. 6 as approved by the Government of India in Stage - I and Stage - II clearances in 2003 and 2004. Hence penal action may be taken as per Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Ref.No: F.No: 11-42 / 2017 - FC dated: 29.01.2018 or other rules as deemed fit.

Hence for the widening of the road a diversion of 0.64 ha is Recommended,

- i) As this is the only road used by M/S Sapthagiri Educational Trust and as there are 10,500 students studying whose future will be at stake and in lieu of diversion of 0.84 ha during 2004, 1.68 ha of area in S.No: 216 and 218 in Perunthandalam Village was already given as CA land.
- ii) Stretch 2 for 0.08 ha of area near the entrance which they are asking as an additional area keeping in view their future requirement. This is not a part of previous diversion allowed and it is a new area.
- iii) In lieu of 0.64 ha diversion (Of widening of existing road and small 0.08 ha of additional area of diversion requested now) an area 1.28 ha may be obtained as CA Land.
- iv) Penal action has to be taken for violation of the existing road as per Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forest and Climate Change Ref.No: F.No: 11-42/2017 FC dated: 29.01.2018 or other rules as deemed fit.

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