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## TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Conservator of Forests, Dharmapuri Circle, Dharmapuri – 636 705.

## C.No. 5731 / 2018 / D, dated 23-03-2022

Sir,

Sub : Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Dharmapuri Circle / Dharmapuri Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.445 ha (0.370+0.075) of Forest land in Pennagaram RF and Woddapatty RF of Hogenakkal Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along Dharmapuri to Anchetty road of Hogenakkal stretch in Dharmapuri District - Online submission of proposal by the User Agency - M/s Reliance Jio Info COMM Limited, Chennai Online submission of proposal by the User Agency - Regarding.

Ref

- Online application uploaded by the User Agency (Revised Proposal) – M/s Reliance Jio Info COMM Limited, Chennai Proposal No. FP / TN / Others / 30206 / 2017 dated 12-08-2020.
- 2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai. C.No. TS3 / 7005 / 2020 dated 21-02-2022.
- 3) The Conservator of Forests, Dharmapuri Circle, Dharmapuri C.No. 2311 / 2020 / D dated 22-02-2022.
- 4) This office C.No. 5371 / 2018 / D dated 30-11-2021.

As per the shortcomings pointed out in the Ref (3) cited above, the Proposal for diversion of 0.445 ha (0.370+0.075) of Forest land in Pennagaram RF and Woddapatty RF of Hogenakkal Range in Dharmapuri Forest Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along Dharmapuri to Anchetty road of Hogenakkal stretch in Dharmapuri District. I submit my replies is as follows.

In para 1 of Ref (2) cited above, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai has instructed to revise the Compensatory Afforestation Scheme i.e. the maintenance of the plantation is to be proposed for 10 years. Based on this estimate revised for 10 years instead of 7 years and uploaded in the web portal in Part-II of Form - A.

a) It is to inform that, a planted saplings takes at least 3 years to grow well. It ii)

is very important to protect it during this period from both anthropogenic activities and grazing. Hence, engagement of separate protection mazdoor is

revised for 3 years only instead of 7 years as proposed earlier for protection

of plantation. This item is essential and unavoidable for raising successful

plantation and same is included in the model estimate may be approved.

b) The proposed Compensatory Afforestation land in the degraded forest area

of Masakkal RF of Pennagaram Range is located Pennagaram taluk. The

movement of wild animals like. Elephant, Deer, Wild boar are high in these

areas. Hence, chain-link fencing is very necessity for protection of

Compensatory Afforestation plantation and hence this item is proposed.

iii) The copy of the site inspection report by the District Forest Officer,

Dharmapuri is uploaded in the web portal of Part-II of Form – A.

Hard of the CA Scheme in full shape and site inspection report by the District

Forest Officer, Dharmapuri (4 copies) are enclosed herewith. Hence, I requested that,

the proposal may kindly be submitted to the Government of India for getting the

concurrence.

Enclosure: As stated above,

Yours faithfully Sd/- K.V.Appala Naidu, District Forest Officer,

Dharmapuri Forest Division,

Dharmapuri.

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai for information.

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