

Recommendation of the Wildlife Warden, Hosur Forest Division

Inspected the proposed site passing alongside the right of way in Veppanapalli RF on 28.07.2020 with the Forest Range Officer and the staffs of Krishnagiri Range.

The proposed site for laying 11 kv transmission line for the benefit of agriculture patta land holders (enclosure in RF) is passing alongside the right of way in Veppanapalli RF of Krishnagiri Range. The Veppanapalli RF was declared in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette notification No. 28 dated: 19.07.1989, the right of way allowed in number 28, the length of the permitted right of way is 1157 m and width is 5 m. In which, the User Agency is proposed for laying 11 kv transmission line to a length of 1110 m and a width of 7.29 m along with the right of way and the total proposed area is 0.81 ha.

As the area proposed for laying transmission line is alongside of the right of way, the question of tree felling does not arise and no damages will be caused to Wildlife due to this project.

The District Collector, Krishnagiri certified that, there is no suitable alternative Non-forest land available for the Electricity connection to the proposed site and it is for obtaining electricity connection to the bore-well located in the Survey No. 202, 211 (Patta No. 530 and 536) for Agricultural purpose. The User Agency has proposed for laying the transmission line passes through the Veppanapalli RF along the right of way, to a length of 164 meters in survey number 1/1 in Sigaramanapalli Village and for a length of 946 meters in survey number 1/1 in Konganapalli Village and a total length of 1110 meters.

The Project Proponent has given undertaking, to bear the cost towards compensatory afforestation along with maintenance of plantation and also agreed to pay the cost towards lease rent as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation in future for the forest land to be diverted.

For laying 11 kv transmission line, the following measures may kindly be ensured for the protection of forest and wild animals in this tract.

1. The underground cable may be provided to avoid electrocution (or),
2. The height of the transmission line should be, not less than 7 - 8 meter from the ground level and provided with insulated wire to avoid electrocution.
3. The transmission line should be erected with tripping mechanism.

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4. To avoid damage and electrocution to the wildlife, the electric poles should be protected, fenced with suitable barriers like concrete wall.

If permission will be given for laying transmission line through the forest, the electrical power supply may be utilized for bailing out water from the bore-well for supplying of drinking water facilities to the wild animals and also for watch tower and anti-poaching sheds if constructed in the remote places.

Hence, under the above circumstances, I recommend this proposal for seeking diversion of land.

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