From Thiru.Kranthi Kumar Pathi,I.A.S., Sub Collector, Namakkal.

To
The District Chairman,
Forest Conservation Right Committee &
Collector, Namakkal.

Roc. 6161/2017/A6 dated 0512.2017.

Madam,

Sub: The Forest Conservation Act 1980 – Namakkal District – Rasipuram Taluk – Representation for the formation of Black, topped road from Pudupatty to Kedamalai and from Vadugam to Melur Recommendation of the Committee constituted at Divisional level – views sought for sent – regarding.

Ref: 1. Collector's Roc.17413/2017/A6 Dated 6.10.2017.

- 2. This office Roc.6161/2017/A6 dated 3.11.2017.
- 3. Rasipuram Tahsildar's report Roc. 13059/2017/B2 dated 22.11.2017.
- 4. Rasipuram Forest Ranger's Report No. 161/2017 dated 29.11.2017.

I, invite kind attention to the correspondences resting with the reference cited.

In the reference first cited, in connection with the formation of link roads in the villages in Vennandur Block under the Prime Minister's Sadaga Yojana Scheme in the lands belonging to Forest Department an extent of 2.71.0 Hecs from Pudupatty to Kedamalai falling in Rasipuram Forest Range and also in Vadugam to Melur Villages and with a view to take action under the Forest Conservation Act 1980, as directed to conduct the Divisional level Committee Meeting and to send its recommendation. As a follow measure, a detailed report was called for, from the Tahsildar, Rasipuram to furnish the details of hamlets involved in the Forest land and also the trees in the above proposed lands and he has submitted his report vide the reference 3rd cited. The report of the Forest Ranger, Rasipuram was also received in this aspect.

There are two issues involved in the proposed formation of link roads in the lands belonging to Forest Department.

I. FORMATION OF ROAD FROM PUDUPATTI KEDAMALAI:-

It has been proposed for the formation of road from Pudupatty to Kedamalai under the above scheme starting from S.No.456 classed as Malai Poramboke in the village accounts to Kedamaiai. From the fringe, the proposed road enters in S.No.89 with a total extent of 2891.97.0 Hecs. notified as "Pudupatty Reserved Forest" with a width of 4.5 mts-8.00 mts and a length of 4.70 kms. as per Survey.

The total extent covered in the proposal is 2.71.0 Hecs.

II. FORMATION OF ROAD FROM VADUGAM TO MELUR:-

It has been proposed for the formation of road starting from S.No. 101 Malai Poramboke of Pudur Malaiyalapatty passing through Keelur village upto Melur village. The proposed road lies. S.No. 188 with a total extent of 2375.70.0 Hecs. and classed as "Mallur Reserved Forest". The width of the proposed road ie.4.5 mts-6.00 mts and with a length of 13.050.km. as per Survey, and the total extent covered is 5.96 Hecs. The above lands were handed over to Forest Department and an under their control, and hence no details were recorded in the Revenue records. The preliminary proposals have been prepared based on the strength of the records of Forest Department. It is also pertainant to note that no representation claiming right over the Reserved Forest lands was received the Revenue Department so far.

In the proposed formation of roads, there were two hamlets viz:- Kurunjiyur Pudukadu and Puduvalavu in Keelur village above and there are no hamlets in other villages. There are about 160 trees of varying girth in the proposed road, with an extent of 2.71.0 hecs. from Pudupatty to Kedamalai and also 2.60 trees in the extent o 5.96.0 Hecs. in Puduppatty Reserved Forest. These trees are locally known as Unjai, Puli, Porasu, Eruguli, Venvel, Kattu Elumichai, Nama, Vembu and Karungali.

The Melur village Panchayath vide its resolution No.4 dated 15.7.2017 has given its concurrence for the formation of black topped road from Pudupatty to Kedamalai. Further the Forest Rights Committee vide in their resolution No.1 dated 14.7.2017 has also resolved in favour of the formation of the proposed roads, to the hamlets in Melur and Keelur Villages.

With a view to obtain the opinion of the Forest Conservation Committee constituted in Divisional level, a meeting of the Divisional Level Committee was conducted by me on 1.12.2017 in Sub Collector's Office, Namakkal where in the official members and non-official members participated and as no rights were claimed by the Forests Department for the formation of the proposed roads and also no objections received from any quarter. Hence, the Committee unanimously resolved to recommend the proposals, for the said formation of roads.

I am sending herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Forest Conservation Committee dated 1.12.2017 for kind information.

Encl: Minutes of the Committee.

Sub Collector, Namakkal.

12/2017

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED UNDER THE FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT 1980 IN NAMAKKAL DIVISION.

A meeting to discuss the matter regarding the formation of link roads to an extent of about 2.71.0 hecs in the lands belonging to forest Department from Pudupatty upto Kedamalai and also from vadugam to Melur under the Honb'le Prime Minister's SadagaYojana Scheme was convened in the Sub Collector's Office, Namakkal on 01.12.2017 by 11.00 A.M presided over by the Sub Collector, Namakkal.

The following officers participated in the discussion.

- 1. District Adi Dravidar and Minorities Welfare Officer, Namakkal.
- 2. Project Officer (Scheduled Tribal Welfare, Namakkal).
- 3. Tahsildar, Kollihills.
- 4. Forest Ranger, Kollihills.
- 5. Thiru.C.Chandrasekaran, M.L.A. Sendamangalam Constituency.
- 6. P.Chandran, Member of the Committee.
- 7. Thiru. P.K.Selvaraj, Member of the Committee.

Matters Taken up for discussion:-

- 1. It was proposed for the formation of a Black topped road from R.Pudupatti to Kedamalai starting from S. No. 456, Malai Poromboke in R.Pudupatty for the formation of the road, survey was done and road is with a width of 4.5 mts 8.0 Mts in S.No.89 with an extent of 2891.97.0 declared as Reserve Forest as" Pudupatty Reserved Forest". The Total extent involved is 2.71.0 Hecs.
- 2. Akin to that, under the scheme of formation of road from Vadugam to Melur, it was proposed for the formation of an another road starting from S.No.101 Malai poromboke, Pudur Malayalapatty Village passing through Keeulr Village upto Melur Village. The proposed road lies in S.No.188 Mallur Reserved Forest with an extent of 2375.70.0 Hecs with a width of about 4.5 Mts-6.0 Mts and a length of 13.050 k.m. as per the survey. The total extent involved comes to 5.96.0 Hec. Since the lands are already declared as Reserved Forest no mentioning was made in the Revenue records and based on the records of the Forest Department preliminary report was prepared. No right was claimed in respect of the lands during the Forest Right Committee meeting held on 13.12.2005.

Further the Melur Village Panchayath in its resolution No.4 dated 15.07.2017 relating to Keelur Panchayath has given its concurrence for the formation of the Black topped road from Pudupatty to Kedamalai and also from Vadugam to Melur. Further, during the Meeting of the Forest Rights Committee on 14.07.2017, it was resolved for the formation of link roads to the hamlets in Melur and Keelur Villages.

The matter was discussed in length in the committee meeting today and it was resolved accepting the formation of the roads as proposed, there is no objection and no Forest right was claimed.

With the above the committee meeting was ended recommending the proposals for the formation of roads as sought for, which will certainly have a better way for the economic development of the tribal's in the walks of transport of their agricultural products to plains, trade relationship and also a boon to the school going children.

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Forest Ranger Kollikills.

President of Division Forest Right Committee and Sub Collector, Namakkal.

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