

# National Biodiversity Authority

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Dated: 12th August 2021

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To

The District Forest Officer. Chennai Division, DMS Compound, III Floor. Teynampet, Chennai - 600 006,

Sir.

Sub: Proposal for allocation of land and building in Nanmangalam - for the O/o.National Biodiversity Authority (NBA).

Ref: 1. DO letter No. 2020-1 dated19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 of Addl. Chief Secretary, Env. & Forest Dept., Govt. of Tamil Nadu to the Secretary, MoEF&CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Tamil Nadu forest Dept. Letter No.TS3 /14076 /2021, dated 26-05-2021.

The Government of Tamil Nadu vide its letter 1st cited, has accorded "in principle" approval for transfer of the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Conservation and Greening Project (TNBGP) Office complex, situated at Nanmangalam, along with approximately 1 hectare of land (for up keeping and parking purposes) lieu of Rs.12.60 crore.

As advised by the Government of Tamil Nadu NBA has applied for approval for diversion of Reserve Forest Land (1.08 ha) through the MOEF&CC portal: http://parivesh.aic.in/ under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

On scrutiny of the application the PCCF(HoD), Tamil Nagu Forest Department vide his letter 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, had informed NBA to hand over the signed hard copy of the proposal in original to your office.

Accordingly, the proposal is forwarded herewith. The same may kindly be sent with your recommendation to the PCCF (HoD).

Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter.

(J. Justin Mohan) Secretary/NBA

Encl.: As above.



# TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Tmt.V.Priyadarshini District Forest Officer, Chennai Division, Chennai.

To
The Secretary,
National Bio-Diversity Authority,
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, TICEL Bio-Park,
CSIR Road, Taramani,
Chennai-600 113.

### C.No.1574/2020/D, Dated: 28.08.2021

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of 1.08 ha. of Forest Land in Nanmangalam RF for project to shift the national Biodiversity Board to Nanmangalam Chennai – Online proposal sent – Clarification called for – Regarding.

**Ref:** 1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of the Department, Chennai-15, Letter No.TS3/14076/2021, Dated 26.05.2021.

2. Your Letter No.NBA/3/3/2004/GENL/VOL.III/2021-22/1316, Dated 12.08.2021 received on 25.08.2021.

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I invite kind attention to your letter reference cited, wherein you have furnished the signed hard copy of the proposal for further process. On perusal of the proposal, it is seen that the undertaking to be furnished by the User Agency for the payment of compensatory afforestation cost and its maintenance over a period of 10years has not been furnished as stipulated, the Government of India under Forest Conservation Act 1980 guidelines though, the Central Government Departments, Agencies and Public Sector Units were exempted from handing over of equivalent Non-Forest land as compensatory land as double the extent of area to be diverted in the Reserved Forest.

It is also pointed out that the area of 1.08ha. proposed for diversion in Nanmangalam Reserved Forest has been marked in the Survey of India Toposheet and uploaded as KML file but hard copy of the Map showing the area proposed for diversion in the RF has not been furnished. The above details may be furnished for further process.

Yours faithfully, **Sd/-V.Priyadarshini,** District Forest Officer, Chennai Forest Division. Chennai.

Superintendent

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of the Department, Saidapet, Chennai-15. (File No.TS3/14076/2021).

Copy submitted to the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai-06.

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Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021

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Sub: Proposal for allocation of land and building in Nanmangalam – for the O/o.National Biodiversity Authority (NBA).

Ref: 1. DFO letter No. C.No.1574/2020/D dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021 of District Forest Officer, Chennai Division.

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With reference to the letter cited, the following requisite information as sought by the DFO, Chennai Division is enclosed along with this letter:

- 1. Undertaking by the User Agency viz.NBA for the payment of compensatory afforestation cost
- 2. Hard copy of the Map showing the area proposed for diversion in the RF.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully

(J. Justin Mohan)

Secretary/NBA

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#### **UNDERTAKING**

National Biodiversity Authority is applying for approval under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 for 1.08 ha forest land in Nanmangalam Reserve Forest Area. National Biodiversity Authority hereby undertakes to pay the entire amount for compensatory afforestation in lieu of the Forest area as per the prevailing wages at the rate of plantation.

2. Zulin Cohan (J. Justin Mohan) Secretary/NBA

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CSIR Road, Taramani,
Chennai-600 113.

#### C.No.1574/2020/D, Dated:08.09.2021

Respected Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of 1.08 ha, of Forest Land in Nanmangalam RF for project to shift the national Biodiversity Board to Nanmangalam Chennai - Acknowledgement requested - Regarding.

Ref: 1. Online Proposal No.FP/TN/Other/139969/2021, Dated 29.03.2021.

 Your Letter No.NBA/3/3/2004/GENL/VOL.III/2021-22/1798, Dated 07.09.2021.

I acknowledge the receipt of the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited in this office on 08.09.2021.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-V.Priyadarshini, District Forest Officer, Chennai.

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Superintendent