

TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

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To

The Divisional Engineer,
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C.No.5833/2021/D, Dated : 07.01.2025.

Sir,

Sub : Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of 0.90 ha of forest land in Semakottai RF for widening of road from Single lane to Double lane and improvement of Vridhachalam to Kattukudalore road from km 10/6 to 11/6 in Cuddalore District – Permission requested – Reg.

Ref : 1. The Divisional Engineer, Highways, Vridhachalam.
C.No.2713 /2021/JDO- 1 Dated: 28.02.2022.

2.Government Lr.No.1769/FR.10/2022-1, Environment, Climate Change
&Forest (FR.10) Department, Chennai Dt:07.03.2022

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A copy of the reference 2nd cited is enclosed herewith. Wherein the Government of Tamil Nadu has conveyed the Government's in Principal approval (Stage – I) under section 2 (1) (ii) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam.1980 for diversion of 0.09 Ha of Forest land in Semakottai Reserved Forests of Cuddalore Division for widening of road from Single lane to Double lane and improvement of Vridhachalam to Kattukudalore road from km 10/6 to 11/6 in Cuddalore District. Favour of The Assistant Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance Sub Division, Vridhachalam.Cuddalore District period of 20 years, subject to the follow us condition

Sl.No	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Demand
1.	The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	Will not be changed
2.	The demarcation of the proposed forest land shall be carried out by the User Agency by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at their cost	The User Agency has to erecting 4 feet high reinforce cement concrete pillars, duly numbered, at an interval of 20 meters both sides in the diverted area (No.of cement concrete Pillars erected in the field and its GPS readings have to be furnished).

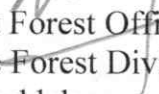
3.	The user Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the guild line issued by Ministry vide letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol- I) dated 06.01.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the state concerned.	The Net present Value of the proposed forest area has been calculated as Rs.8,62,002/- at rate of Rs.9,57,780/- per Ha based on the Government Lr.No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) Dt:06.01.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the state concerned.
4	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	The User Agency will give necessary "Undertaking" Additional amount of Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the Government of India.
5	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e- portal (http://Parivesh.nic.in/).	The User Agency requisite under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e- portal (http://Parivesh.nic.in/).
6	The State Forest Department shall raise plantation of 100 seedlings in 0.9 ha of degraded forest area in Kattumayillur in Vridhachalam Range of Cuddalore Division and maintain it for 10 years at the cost of the Project;	The State Forest Department shall raise plantation of 100 seedlings in 0.9 ha of degraded forest area in Kattumayillur in Vridhachalam Range of Cuddalore Division and maintain it for 10 years at the cost of Rs.1,73,231/- The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the state concerned.
7	The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost.	The User Agency will construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost.
8	Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, other the natural streams / rivers/ canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water logging and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.	Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, other the natural streams / rivers/ canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water logging and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
9	No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency;	The User Agency will give necessary
10	Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;	The User Agency will give necessary Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided

11	The dug out material/ overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;	The User Agency will give necessary The dug out material/ overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material will not be done in the forest area;
12	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The User Agency will give necessary The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
13	The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage / tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;	The User Agency will give necessary provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage / tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
14	Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;	The User Agency will give necessary to ensure Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
15	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.9 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal The user Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;	The User Agency will give necessary “Undertaking” that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceeds 0.90 Ha.
16	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency will give necessary The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
17	The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts. Rules, Regulations and guildlines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	The User Agency will give necessary ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts. Rules, Regulations and guildlines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
18	Any other conditions that the Central Government or DDGF (Central) of Regional Office. Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency.	The User Agency will give necessary complied by the Any other conditions that the Central Government or DDGF (Central) of Regional Office. Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area.

19	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the rules/ guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980;	The User Agency In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the rules/ guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980;
20	The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (http://parivesh.nic.in/).	The User Agency will give necessary compliance report The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (http://parivesh.nic.in/).

Enclosed: As started above.

Yours Faithfully,


District Forest Officer,
Cuddalore Forest Division,
Cuddalore.

- 1.Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Villupuram Circle, Villupuram.
- 2.Copy to the Forest Range Officer, Vridhachalam.


07/10/25