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Divisional Forest Officer

To,

The Assistant Engineer-II & User Agency KSEB Ltd,

Sub Station Sub Division, Palakkad Medical College, Palakkad.

Sir.

Sub:- Kerala Forest Department – Proposal for diversion of 0.7922 Ha of forest land for upgradation of existing 66 KV SC Kalappetty - Nemmara line to 110 KV DC line under Nemmara Forest Division – Additional Demand Notice for planting and 10 year maintenance charges of 1200 Nos. of trees (1 Ha of degraded forest land) under CA scheme - reg

- Ref:- 1. Stage-I order No. F.No.4/KLB1438/2023-BAN/24 dtd 15.03.2023 of the IRO, MoEF, Banglore. (FP/KL/TRANS/155551/2022).
 - 2. This Office Lr.No. even dtd 20.03.2023.
 - 3. This Office Lr.No. even dtd 04.04.2023.
 - 4. Lr. No. /KLB1438/2023-BAN/393 dtd 31.05.2023 of the AIGF (Central), MoEF, Banglore
 - 5. Endt. on FC1-3740/22 dtd 03.07.2023 of the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Nodal Officer, FC Act, Thiruvanathapuram
 - 6. Lr. No. A1-1342/2022 dtd 05.08.2023 of the Range Forest Officer, Alathur.

Attention is invited to the above subject. MoEF, Banglore Region was accorded Stage-I approval for the diversion of 0.7922 Ha of forest land for upgradation of existing 66 KV SC Kalappetty - Nemmara transmission line to 110 KV DC transmission line located at Andhazhi-Edamalakunnu Malavaram (VFC item No.199/1) vested forests, which comes under Vadakkanchery Section of Alathur Range under Nemmara Division vide order 1st cited.

As per the condition in the Stage-I order, SL.No.02 stipulates that User Agency shall prepare a detailed scheme in consultation with the State Forest Department for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in right of way under the transmission line for the execution of the said scheme by the State Forest Department and the cost of implementation of the scheme shall be deposited by the User Agency in the CAMPA Account. As per the report of the Range Forest Officer, Alathur, right of way of the

above proposed area for diversion is rocky patches and planting activities couldn't be possible. Hence, necessary instruction was issued to the User Agency to submit an undertaking stating willingness for the remittance of CA cost for planting in the identified degraded forest land other than right of way under the transmission line will be remitted as and when demanded by the competent authority along with demand notice for remitting **NPV amount of Rs.12,64,185/-**(Rupees Twelve lakhs sixty four thousand one hundred and eighty five only) for 0.7922 Ha (Proposed project area falls under Tropical Moist Deciduous Forests in Eco-Class-I category and the amount is Rs.15, 95,790/ Ha) vide ref. 2nd cited.

User Agency has remitted Rs.12,64,185/- (Rupees Twelve lakhs sixty four thousand one hundred and eighty five only) towards NPV and the compliance report and undertaking in stamp paper worth Rs.200/- stating that all the conditions were complied in the stage – I approval and also agreed that the remittance of CA cost for planting in the identified degraded forest land other than right of way under the transmission line would be remitted as and when demanded by the competent authority. Necessary compliance report was submitted from this office for recommending Stage-II vide ref. 3rd cited. The AIGF (Central), MoEF, Banglore has directed vide ref. 4th cited, to identify 1 Ha of degraded forest land for carrying out planting activities, preferably medicinal plants/trees under CA scheme and User Agency might be directed to deposit the cost of implementing the scheme in the CAMPA account. In compliance to the above direction, 1 Ha of degraded forest land was identified at Muringamala in Vemballur-Muringamala VFC Item No.184 Malavaram under Choolannur Section of Alathur Range in Nemmara Division for planting and 10 years maintenance charges of 1200 Nos. of trees and necessary CA proposal for Rs.20,15,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakhs and fifteen thousand only) has been submitted by the Range Forest Officer, Alathur vide ref.6th cited.

In the above aspects, an additional demand notice is being issued to the User Agency and requested to remit Rs.20,15,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakhs and fifteen thousand only) for the cost of planting and 10 year maintenance charges of 1200 Nos. of medicinal plants/trees under CA scheme. (1 Ha of degraded forest land has identified at Muringamala in Vemballur-Muringamala VFC Item No.184 Malavaram under Choolannur Section of Alathur Range in Nemmara Division) through generating necessary challan via e-portal (PARIVESH) and necessary receipt of Rs.20,15,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakhs and fifteen thousand only) remitted amount should be submitted at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer

Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Nodal Officer, FC Act, Thiruvanathapuram for favour of kind information.

Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forest, Eastern Circle, Olavakkode for favour of information. (B3-3418/2022)