

SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, DINDIGUL

Inspected the site proposed for laying underground E.B. cable in Thenmalai habitation of Sirumalai village along with District Forest Officer, Dindigul and Executive Engineer, TANGEDCO, Dindigul South, on 31.10.2015. TANGEDCO has submitted a proposal for laying underground electrical cable in 2 bits in Sirumalai West Block – 1, Bit-IV, Reserve Land of Dindigul division for providing electricity connection for drinking water facilities. As per their proposal, the 2 bits of cable length proposed for laying is 618 m and 2094 m. During site inspection, the length of the 1st bit was found to be 844 metre (Starting GPS reading: N 10.22204° E 077.98066° - Ending GPS reading: N 10.21506° E 77.98285°). TANGEDCO has proposed laying of underground cable along the left margin of existing road. During site inspection, at a distance of 593 metre (GPS reading N 10.21724° E 77.98266°) from the starting point, presence of continuous rocky terrain was observed on the left side of the road. The feasibility regarding laying of underground cable in the rocky area was discussed with Executive Engineer, TANGEDCO. The Executive Engineer has proposed that the cable would be taken across the road and laid for the remaining distance along the right margin of existing road.

The length of the 2nd bit was found to be 2166 metre (Starting GPS reading N 10.19780° E 077.98174° - Ending GPS reading N 10.18708° E 77.995552°). TANGEDCO has proposed laying of underground cable along the right margin of the existing road. The total distance for laying of cable comes to 3010 metres. The Executive Engineer has informed that the underground cable would be laid by digging a 1 metre wide trench in the proposed site. Accordingly, the total forest area required for laying underground cable comes to 3010 m² (0.301 ha).

No tree growth was observed in the area proposed for trenching and laying of cable. District Forest Officer, Dindigul was instructed to erect permanent boundary markers at the beginning and end point of each bit.

I agree with the remarks of the District Forest Officer, Dindigul that the proposal for diversion of 0.301ha of Forest land may be agreed for providing electricity connection for providing drinking water to the hill people. The proposal is recommended for diversion.

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