

ABSTRACT

Forests – Thanjavur Forest Division – Diversion of 0.0405 ha. of forest land in Maharajapuram Reserved Forest for construction of footbridge for creation of additional source with pump house in Kadambankudi under CWSS to 893 habitations in Nagapattinam District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division, TWAD Board, Nagapattinam under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.10) Department

G.O.(MS) No:57

Dated: 24.03.2022 பிலவ, பங்குனி – 10 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2053 Read:

- 1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, letter No.TS4/20483/2021, dated: 01.09.2021.
- 2. Government letter No.15623/FR.10/2021-1, Environment, Climate Change and Forests(FR.10) Department, dated 29.10.2021.
- 3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. TS4/20483/2021, dated: 24.02.2022..

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above has furnished the proposal for diversion of 0.0405 ha. forest land in Maharajapuram Reserved Forest for construction of footbridge for creation of additional source with pump house at Kadambankudi under CWSS to 893 habitations in Nagapattinam District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division, TWAD Board, Nagapattinam for a period of 20 years under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 2. In the Government letter second read above, the Government have conveyed the State Government's in-principle approval (Stage-I) under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.0405 ha. of forest land in Maharajapuram Reserved Forest for construction of footbridge for creation of additional source with pump house at Kadambankudi under CWSS to 893 habitations in Nagapattinam District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division, TWAD Board, Nagapattinam for a period of 20 years, under general approval category as per the provisions of guidelines under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for critical development initiatives for public utility, subject to certain conditions and requested to furnish the compliance report after satisfying all the conditions stipulated therein within a period of 5 years.
- 3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter third read above has furnished the compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval accorded for the said proposal and also stated that User Agency has completed demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars

duly numbered at an interval of 20 metres and has remitted an amount of Rs.17,739 /-towards Net Present Value and he has requested to issue final approval under General approval category for diversion of 0.0405 ha. of forest land in Maharajapuram Reserved Forest for construction of footbridge for creation of additional source with pump house at Kadambankudi under CWSS to 893 habitations in Nagapattinam District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division, TWAD Board, Nagapattinam for a period of 20 years, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 4. The Government after careful examination, accord the State Government's final (Stage-II) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.0405 ha. of forest land in Maharajapuram Reserved Forest for construction of footbridge for creation of additional source with pump house at Kadambankudi under CWSS to 893 habitations in Nagapattinam District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division, TWAD Board, Nagapattinam for a period of 20 years, under general approval category for critical development initiatives for public utility, subject to the following conditions:-
 - (i) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
 - (ii) The 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 the effect.
 - (iii) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to Flora and Fauna in the surroundings and shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
 - (iv) The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
 - (v) The lease rent should be realized from the User Agency as per G.O.(Ms).No.272, Environment and Forests (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.
 - (vi) The period of lease is 20 years. The User Agency should send renewal proposal one year before expiry of lease.
 - (vii) The Conservator of Forests and District Forest Officer may impose and other condition in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests.
- 5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is directed to take necessary action accordingly and send a report to Government in due course.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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Chennai-15.

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Government of India, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, 1st Floor, Additional Office Block for GPOA, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006.

Copy to:-

The District Collector,

Nagapattinam.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation Act),

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,

Chennai-15.

The Conservator of Forests,

Thanjavur Circle,

Thanjavur.

The District Forest Officer,

Thanjavur.

The Executive Engineer, Maintenance Division,

TWAD Board, Nagapattinam – 611001.

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department,

Chennai-9.

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SECTION OFFICER 24/3/2022