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TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to
Government,
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C. No. TS3/39351/2021 Dated: 19.01.2024.

Madam,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 0.678 ha of forest land for upgradation of Mahaniyam to Padappai road km 0/188-1/200 lies in Mahaniyam RF to a length of 1012m in Kancheepuram Forest Division in Kancheepuram District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu – Stage-I approval accorded – Compliance report furnishing off – Regarding

- Ref: 1 Online application uploaded by the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu - Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/148552/2021
- 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Kancheepuram Division on 24.03.2022 and EDS reply dated 15.06.2022
- 3 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests C. No. TS3/39351/2021, dated 01.07.2022.
- 4 Government letter No. 11932/FR.10/2022-1, dated 10.08.2022

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I wish to furnish herewith the Compliance report on Stage I in-Principle approval for diversion of 0.678 ha of forest land for upgradation of Mahaniyam to Padappai road km 0/188-1/200 lies in Mahaniyam RF to a length of 1012m in Kancheepuram Forest Division in Kancheepuram District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu as follows.

Condition	Conditions stipulated by the Government	Compliance of conditions/ reply
a	The legal status of the diverted forest land remains unchanged.	The legal status of the diverted forest land will not be changed.

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b	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 reported that casting of pillars completed and erected in the site and uploaded some photographs in the web portal.
c	The user agency has to pay the cost towards compensatory afforestation scheme over an extent of 1.436 ha of degraded forest area as per the Compensatory afforestation scheme including maintenance for a period of 10 years.	The user agency has deposited the compensatory afforestation scheme cost of Rs. 28,27,790/- in State CAMPA fund by generating challan in the Ministry web portal on 27.09.2023.
d	The User Agency has to pay the Net Present Value of proposed forests diversion area which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India /Government of India.	The user agency has deposited the Net Present Value of Rs. 4,54,355/- in State CAMPA fund by generating challan in the Ministry web portal on 27.09.2023.
e	The User Agency has to bear the additional amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as fixed by Forest Department in future. The user agency has to furnish undertaking to this effect.	The User Agency has furnished undertaking to this effect.
f	Amount of Compensatory Afforestation scheme, Net Present Value of diverted forest area under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/)	The User Agency has transferred the amount of Rs. 32,82, 145/- in the State CAMPA account by generating challan in the MoEF&CC web portal
g	The user agency has to obtain permission from the Hon'ble Supreme	The user agency has obtained permission from the Hon'ble

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	Court of India for felling of 4 number of spontaneous tree growth in the forest area proposed for the project.	Supreme Court of India on 11.01.2023 by filing I.A No. 191583/2022.
h	The User Agency has to pay the cost towards annual lease rent for the forest area diversion period as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted of the above project in future for the entire project period.	The User Agency has furnished undertaking to this effect.
i	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceeds 0.678 ha for with a length of 1012 m and to a width of 6.70m (3.75m carriage way and 1.475m shoulder on either side) in Mahaniyam RF.	The User Agency has furnished combined undertaking to this effect.
j	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under any circumstances be transferred to any other agencies/ department or person without prior approval of State Government.	The User Agency has furnished a combined undertaking to this effect. The same is enclosed.
k	Period of lease can be twenty (20) years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before one year of expiry of lease with the State Forest Department.	The User Agency has furnished combined undertaking to this effect.

Compliance report furnished by the User agency along with connected undertakings/ documents and report of District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division are enclosed herewith.

I request that, Stage - II final approval of Government may be issued for the diversion of 0.678 ha of forest land for upgradation of Mahaniyam to Padappai road

km 0/188-1/200 lies in Mahaniyam RF to a length of 1012m in Kancheepuram Forest Division in Kancheepuram District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu for a period of 20 years.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

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For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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