

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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To

The Principal Secretary to Government,
Environment, Climate Change and
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Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

C. No. TS3/2987/2022 Dated: 07.02.2025.

Sir,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Diversion of 0.95472 ha of forest land in Vandalur RF for construction of Road over Bridge in lieu of LC No. 32 in between Tambaram and Vandalur Railway Station near Perungalathur in Chengalpattu District – Stage-I approval issued by the Government of India – Compliance report furnishing – Regarding

- Ref: 1 Online application uploaded by the Divisional Engineer, Metro, Highways Department, CMDP Division-I, Guindy Chennai-32 - Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/151930/2022
- 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Chennai Forest Division, Chennai
- 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai
- 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/2987/2022, dated 15.07.2023, 03.01.2024, 24.05.2024 and 01.08.2024
- 5 Government letter No. 5227778/FR.10/2023-1, dated 03.08.2023
- 6 Government of India, MoEF&CC, IRO Chennai letter F. No. 4-TNB118/2024-CHN/1312, dated 27.08.2023
- 7 Compliance report uploaded by the user agency and forwarded by the District Forest Officer and Chief Conservator of Forests in Parivesh portal

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I wish to furnish herewith the Compliance report on the conditions stipulated in Stage I in-Principle approval accorded by the Government of India, MoEF&CC, RO, Chennai for diversion of diversion of 0.95472 ha of forest land in Vandalur RF for construction of Road over Bridge in lieu of LC No. 32 in between Tambaram and Vandalur Railway Station near Perungalathur in Chengalpattu District in favour of

Divisional Engineer, Metro, Highways Department, CMDP Division-I, Chennai-32 as follows.

Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
i	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Legal status of forest land will remain unchanged.
ii	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the DFO concerned, at the cost of User Agency;	The user agency has accepted the condition.
iii	The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation over an extent of 1.909 ha of DFL area in Vandalur Reserve Forests as per Compensatory Afforestation Scheme including maintenance for a period of 10 years, at the cost of the User Agency;	To carry out the compensatory afforestation scheme in the selected degraded forest area, an amount of Rs. 49,46,448/- has been remitted by the user agency in State CAMPA account on 07.11.2024. Compensatory afforestation will be carried out by the Forest Department after issue of Stage-II final orders and after obtaining approval in State CAMPA APO.
iv	Identified CA area and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;	Identified CA area and CA scheme will not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;
v	The user agency shall transfer online the Net Present Value of the forest land being diverted under this project, as per the guideline issued by Ministry vide letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022. The	The user agency has transferred an amount of Rs. 6,39,796/- towards Net Present Value of forest area in State CAMPA account on 07.11.2024.

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	requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State Concerned;	
vi	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 has accepted the condition and furnished an undertaking.
vii	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/) ;	Funds received from the User Agency under the project transferred to CAMPA fund by the user agency.
viii	The KML file of the forest area to be diverted and CA area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details and same shall be submitted along with GPS ids;	The District Forest Officer has reported that, the proposal in master data base not unable to view in e-green watch portal. Hence kml file of the diverted forest area and CA area will be uploaded after getting Stage-II approval.
ix	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
x	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
xi	Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.

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	forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the machinery, labourers & staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;	
xii	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
xiii	Concurrence of the Regional Office, Chennai in compliance with the judgment pronounced by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order dated 16.01.2023 in IA No. 168320/2022 and 168313/2022 in Writ Petition(s) (Civil) Nos202/1995 between T.N.Godavarman Thirumulpad & Union of India, is hereby conveyed for felling of 204 numbers of trees of spontaneous.	The user agency has accepted the condition.
xiv	Even though 204 trees of spontaneous origin is marked for felling, the User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.


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	Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	
xv	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 has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
xvi	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.95472 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
xvii	The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the rules/guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with;	Certificate issued by the District Collector on completion of process for settlement of rights under Forest Rights Act 2006 on the forest land proposed for diversion has already been issued and furnished in Part-I of Form-A project proposal
xviii	The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.
xix	Any other conditions that the Central Government or DDGF (Central) of	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.

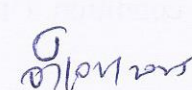
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	Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;	
xx	Non compliance of any of these conditions will amount -to violation under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.	The user agency has accepted the condition. Undertaking furnished.

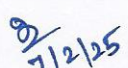
Compliance of conditions have been uploaded in the parivesh portal.

I request that, compliance report may be accepted and Stage - II final approval of Government of India may be obtained for the diversion of 0.95472 ha of forest land in Vandalur RF for construction of Road over Bridge in lieu of LC No. 32 in between Tambaram and Vandalur Railway Station near Perungalathur in Chengalpattu District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Metro, Highways Department, CMDP Division-I, Chennai-32 for a period of 50 years.

Yours faithfully


For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)


Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai and District Forest Officer, Chennai Division, Chennai.


Copy to the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Metro, CMDP, Division-II, Chennai-15. (User Agency)