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TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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To

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Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

C. No. TS3/41320/2020 Dated: 04.08.2023.

Madam,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 14.029 ha of forest land in Tiruvallur Forest Division for construction of 6 lane highway green field corridor from Chittoor-Thatchur Road (NH 716B) in Tiruvallur District in favour of Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU-Kancheepuram, Guindy Chennai – Stage-I approval accorded by Government of India – Compliance report furnishing off – Regarding

- Ref: 1 Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU-Kancheepuram, Guindy Chennai 32 -- Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/53276/2020
- 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Tiruvallur Division on 01.06.2022 and additional details uploaded in the proposal-EDS replies
- 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle on 15.07.2022 and additional details uploaded in the proposal-EDS replies
- 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/41320/2020, dated 21.10.2022 and 05.11.2022
- 5 Government letter No. 17849/FR.10/2022-1, dated 18.11.2022
- 6 Government of India, MoEF&CC, IRO Chennai letter F. No. 4-TNC099/2022-CHN/1382, dated 21.12.2022
- 7 Compliance report uploaded by the user agency on 23.07.2023 for verification

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I wish to furnish herewith the Compliance report on Stage I in-Principle approval for diversion of 14.029 ha of forest land in Tiruvallur Forest Division for

construction of 6 lane highway green field corridor from Chittoor-Thatchur Road (NH 716B) in Tiruvallur District in favour of Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU-Kancheepuram, Guindy Chennai through online as follows.

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| I         | Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.  | Legal status of forest Land will not changed and remain as Forest. Undertaking furnished by the user agency.   |
| Ii        | Demarcation of the diverted forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of the User Agency;  | The user agency has submitted an Undertaking in this regard  |
| iii       | The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation over an extent of 28 ha of DFL area i.e., 10.45 ha in Mylarwada RF, 7.12 ha in Konasamuthiram Extension Reserved Forest and 10.488 ha area in Konasamuthiram Reserved Forest at the cost of the User Agency: | The cost of compensatory afforestation as per CA scheme, an amount of <b>Rs.6,18,25,877/-</b> was paid on 06.07.2023 by generating online challan in the PARIVESH portal to Tamil Nadu CAMPA account through RTGS vide UTR No. KKBKR5202307060064525, dt: 06.07.2023 by the user agency. Copy of the RTGS remittance challan uploaded with compliance report by the user agency.<br>After issue of Stage-II approval and approval from the APO of State CAMPA, compensatory afforestation will be carried out. |

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| Iv        | Identified CA area and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;   | Land identified for CA area and CA scheme will not be changed by the State Forest Department.   |
| V         | The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 14.029ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guidelines No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated.06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022 and 22.03.2022. | The Net Present Value, of the diverted forest land measuring 14.029 Ha, of <b>Rs.1,20,84,440/-</b> was paid on 06.07.2023 by generating online challan in the PARIVESH portal to Tamil Nadu CAMPA account through RTGS vide UTR No. KKBKR5202307060064525, dt: 06.07.2023 by the user agency. Copy of the Generated Challan, RTGS remittance challan u[; padded with the compliance report. |
| 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;   | An Undertaking has been furnished by the user agency.   |
| Vii       | All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund  | All the funds towards compensatory afforestation, Net Present Value and Wildlife  |

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|               | only through e-portal<br>( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a> );  | <p>Conservation Plan have been deposited in the Tamil Nadu CAMPA account by generating Challn in the MoEF&amp;CC web portal through RTGS vide UTR No. KKBKR5202307060064525, dt: 06.07.2023 by the user agency. Copy of RTGS remittance challan furnished by the user agency.</p> <p>Total deposit by the user agency Rs.7,39,10,317/-</p> <table> <tr> <td>a</td><td>NPV</td><td>Rs.1,20,84,440/-</td></tr> <tr> <td>b</td><td>CA</td><td>Rs.6,18,25,877/-</td></tr> <tr> <td>c</td><td>Wildlife<br/>Conserva-<br/>tion</td><td>Rs. 94,00,000/-</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>TOTAL</b></td><td><b>Rs. 8,33,10,317/-</b></td></tr> </table> | a | NPV | Rs.1,20,84,440/- | b | CA | Rs.6,18,25,877/- | c | Wildlife<br>Conserva-<br>tion | Rs. 94,00,000/- | <b>TOTAL</b> |  | <b>Rs. 8,33,10,317/-</b> |
| a             | NPV  | Rs.1,20,84,440/-   |   |     |                  |   |    |                  |   |                               |                 |              |  |                          |
| b             | CA   | Rs.6,18,25,877/-   |   |     |                  |   |    |                  |   |                               |                 |              |  |                          |
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| <b>TOTAL</b>  |  | <b>Rs. 8,33,10,317/-</b>   |   |     |                  |   |    |                  |   |                               |                 |              |  |                          |
| viii          | Wildlife conservation plan may be prepared by the DFO concerned which includes measures like providing of required numbers of culverts / underpasses, fencing on either side of the road alignment, solar powered bore wells to ensure to provide water to the wild animals etc and such plan shall be implemented by the User Agency / State Forest Department at | <p>The Wildlife Conservation Plan has been approved by the PCCF and CWLW for an amount of <b>Rs.94,00,000/-</b> and the amount was paid on 06.07.2023 by generating online challan in the PARIVESH portal to Tamil Nadu CAMPA account through RTGS vide UTR No. KKBKR5202307060064525, dt:</p>   |   |     |                  |   |    |                  |   |                               |                 |              |  |                          |

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|               | the cost of the project. <u>Copy of the Wildlife Conservation Plan may be submitted to this office along with the compliance report for record purpose;</u>   | 06.07.2023 by the user agency.<br>Copy of the RTGS remittance challan furnished by the user agency.   |
| ix            | Provision of addition one year for removal of grass in 28.00 ha of DFL area identified for CA purpose as against proposed four years may be made in the CA scheme, if required and the State Forest Department shall ensure successful plantation in the identified DFL area; | Provision of additional fourth year maintenance for removal of grass in 28.00 ha of Degraded Forest Land area identified for CA purpose is included in the CA scheme, for which an amount of Rs.5,61,631 deposited in TN CAMPA account through RTGS transaction, dated: 06.07.2023 by the user agency.                        |
| xx            | The State Forest Department shall ensure at least 15% of trees of fruit bearing species to be raised in the DFL area identified for CA purpose;   | As per the condition, atleast 15% of trees of fruit bearing trees will be raised in the degraded forest land identified for CA purpose while CA carrying out the area.  |
| xi            | The user Agency shall obtain prior approval of CEC/ Hon'ble Supreme Court of India approval for felling of trees of spontaneous origin;   | As per the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA No.191583/2022, approval of the Court is not required among others for NHAI projects in Tamil Nadu state involving felling of trees up to 500 Nos in forest areas. As in the subject proposal, the number of spontaneous trees to be felled are only 264 and as already IRO, |

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|           |   | <p>Chennai accorded Stage-I approval for the project under FC act, 1980 and as that, a Wildlife Mitigation Plan approved by CWLW for necessary mitigation measures to ensure free flow of animals is in place and necessary fund is already deposited by the User Agency, the conditions stipulated by Hon'ble Court are fulfilled.</p> <p>Further, to fulfil the condition (xii) and as mentioned vide point no.06 of DFO, Tiruvallur demand notice letter dated:30.06.2023, the UA has to deposit an amount of <b>Rs.55,56,091/-</b> towards cost of planting, raising and maintenance of <b>2640 trees</b> proposed to be raised as avenue plantation on both sides of the road in lieu of <b>264</b> spontaneous trees to be felled; The user agency has furnished the copy of PFMS generated DSC transaction payment advice report dated 21.07.2023 for payment towards above to the Green Tamil Nadu Mission account</p> |

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| xii       | The User Agency/ the State Forest Department shall raise and maintain avenue plantation and its maintenance on both sides of the road, at the cost of the project;   | As per DFO, Tiruvallur demand notice letter dated:30.06.2023, the UA has to deposit an amount of <b>Rs.55,56,091/-</b> towards cost of planting, raising and maintenance of <b>2640 trees</b> proposed to be raised as avenue plantation on both sides of the road The user agency has furnished the copy of PFMS generated DSC transaction payment advice report dated 21.07.2023 for payment towards above to the Green Tamil Nadu Mission account |
| xiii      | The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;   | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |
| xiv       | Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/ rivers/ canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals. | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |
| xv        | Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the   | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |

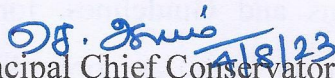
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|               | soil;  |  |
| xvi           | The dug-out material/overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;   | The user agency has furnished an undertaking |
| xvii          | The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;   | The user agency has furnished an undertaking |
| xviii         | The User agency shall provide firewood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling & no labour camp shall be established inside the forest areas.  | The user agency has furnished an undertaking |
| xix           | Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna; | The user agency has furnished an undertaking |
| xx            | The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 14.029 Ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;                    | The user agency has furnished an undertaking |


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| xxi       | 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 furnished an undertaking   |
| xxii      | The user agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.  | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |
| xxiii     | Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated 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; | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |
| xxiv      | In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980;  | The user agency has furnished an undertaking   |
| xxv       | The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a> );  | Compliance report obtained from user agency through online and forwarded through parivesh web portal |

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

I request that, compliance report may be considered and forwarded to the Government of India for issue of Stage-II final approval of the project proposal of diversion of 14.029 ha of forest land in Tiruvallur Forest Division for construction of 6 lane highway green field corridor Chittoor-Thatchur Road (NH 716B) in Tiruvallur District in favour of Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU-Kancheepuram, Guindy Chennai for a period of 25 years

Yours faithfully

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

  
4/4/2023