

भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण (सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय) National Highways Authority of India (Ministry of Road Transport & Highways)

उप महाप्रबंधक (तकनिकी) सह परियोजना निदेशक के कार्यालय

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18.08.2022

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To

The Principal Chief Conservator of forest, (Head of Forest Force)
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet,
Chennai.

Sub: NHAI - PIU - Dindigul - Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi from Km 35+500 to Km 61+116 section of NH-785E - Forest land an extent of 3.708 Ha involved - Condition stipulated by MoEF&CC - Compliances submitted - Observation raised by the Nodal Officer - Compliance resubmitted - reg.

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- 4) The PCCF & Chief Wild life warden, Chennai Lr.No.WL5(A)/16609/2021 dated 14.07.2022
- 5) Compliance submitted by this office on 21.07.2022.
- 6) The PCCF, Chennai Lr.No. TS4/52452/2018 dated 27.07.2022 (Received on 01.08.2022)
- 7) This office Lr.No. NHAI/PIU/DGL/11016/01/F.C/N-T/NH-785(E)/2022/1818 dated 02.08.2022.
- 8) The PCCF, Chennai Lr.No. TS4/52452/2018 dated 17.08.2022.

Sir,

It is brought to your kind knowledge that the proposal for diversion of forest land to an extant of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampatti Karadu Reserve Forest block, Natham taluk of Dindigul District to National Highways Authority of India for the project Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi section NH-758E has been uploaded in the MoEF&CC, online portal on 28.11.2018.

2. In this connection, the in-principal stage-1 clearance has been accorded to the instant proposal RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai with certain condition stating that on receipt of compliance to the stipulated condition the instant proposal will be considered for final approval and the same has been communicated to this office by DFO, Dindigul vide letter reference 3rd cited. As such the compliance were submitted to DFO Dindigul vide this office Lr.No.1064 dated 09.05.2022 and the same has been

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uploaded through parvesh portal on 21.07.2022. On examination, certain discrepancies were communicated to this office vide letter ref.6th cited above and compliance were submitted vide this office letter ref.7th cited. Further, Observation were raised on the submitted compliance vide letter ref.8th cited. As such the compliance are resubmitted as under for your kind perusal;

S. No	Observation of RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai	Reply of NHAI
1	The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	Undertaking enclosed
2	Demarcation of the proposed 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	2
3	The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent 8.00 Ha. of degraded forest area in Chinnayampatti Karadu RF, at the cost of the User Agency;	The CA amount Rs. 96,63,000/- for raising the indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent of 8.00 Ha was already paid (UTR:CNRBR5 2022052182905950 dated 21.05.2022) as per the demand notice received from DFO, Dindigul and subsequent challan generated from the parvesh portal.
4	The identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land shall be demarcated properly;	Undertaking enclosed
5	As proposed, plantation of Thirugukalli (Euphorbia Spp.) and Kiluvai (Commiphora caudate) and other suitable species may be planted in the Chinnayampatti Karadu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender lories species.	
6	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 3.708 Ha from the User agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline	The NPV amounting Rs. 31,94,035/- was already paid (UTR:CNRBR52022052182 905950 dated 21.05.2022) as per the demand notice received from DFO, Dindigul and subsequent challan generated from the parvesh portal.

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	No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated:06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated:19.01.2022.	
7.	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of 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 the undertaking to this effect.	It is hereby undertaken that the additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department. (undertaking enclosed)
8	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/);	It is hereby undertaken that the funds will be deposited to CAMPA fund through Parivesh portal as per the direction of Forest Department/State Government. (undertaking enclosed)
9	The trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, passed on 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995. Trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer concerned. The trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation shall not be felled. The tree felling may be carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan.	It is hereby undertaken that the trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, dated 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995 under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer - Dindigul. Also, the trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation will not be felled. The tree felling will carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan. (undertaking enclosed)
10	The State Government may carryout habitat improvement activities in the Chinnyampatti Karadu RF to ensure lesser / minimal impact on wild animals (in specific to Slender Loris) due to widening of the road. These activities may be carried out from the amount to be realized towards Net Present Value (NPV) under the subject project. The	DFO, Dindigul may furnish the compliance.

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No	Chennai district Forest Officer may be instructed to prepare APO accordingly.	
11	As per the kml file of the forest area proposed for diversion, part of the existing RoW road is not falls in the forest area proposed for diversion. Hence, such left out old road shall be dismantled and restore the area with planting suitable indigenous tree species at the cost of the User Agency;	Earlier, undertaking has been submitted in this regard. It is once again undertaken that part of the existing RoW road that do not fall in the forest area proposed for diversion, will be dismantled and restore the area with planting of suitable indigenous tree species as per directions of Forest Department. (undertaking enclosed)
12	Stage-I permission is granted to this proposal on a specific condition that the Wildlife mitigation plan / measures may be approved by the competent Authority of the State, considering all aspects related to the conservation of Slender Loris. The mitigation measures must be in accordance with the guidelines issued by WII. Approved wildlife mitigation measures are to be implemented by the State Forest Department and User Agency at the cost of the project.	Wildlife Mitigation plan was approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden vide letter ref.4th cited amounting to Rs.1,25,88,100/ It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department. (undertaking enclosed)
13	The User Agency shall construct	It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI. (undertaking enclosed)
14	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.	It is hereby undertaken that the additional culvert/bridges over the natural streams/rivers/canal will be constructed in consultation with DFO, Dindigul to facilitate the free flow of water course to avoid rise of water logging and hampering the movement of Wild animals. (undertaking enclosed)
15	Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the	It is hereby undertaken that proper slope protection for the cutting & filling

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	District Forest Officer concerned so as to stabilize the soil.	will be provided in consultation with DFO, Dindigul. (undertaking enclosed)
16	The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.	It is hereby undertaken that the dugout material/overburden/debris will be dumped outside the forest area and no storage will be done in forest area. (undertaking enclosed)
17	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The proposed layout plan will not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
18	The User Agency shall carryout avenue plantation (without felling of existing trees) on both sides of the road and also in the central verge of the road at the project cost;	The avenue and Median plantation will be done as per IRC: SP 21-2009 at the cost of NHAI. (undertaking enclosed)
19	The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to laborers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;	No labour camp will be established inside the forest area and alternate fuel will be provided to labour to avoid damage/felling of trees. (undertaking enclosed)
20	Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will 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;	No labour camp will be established inside the forest area. (undertaking enclosed)
21	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.708 Ha (including existing RoW road) 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;	It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal. (undertaking enclosed)
22	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 proposed forest land diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other department or person without getting prior approval from Central Government. (undertaking enclosed)

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23	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest are for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
24	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;	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
25	Any other condition 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.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
26	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
27	The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above condition through online (https://parivesh .nic.in/)	Compliance for the stipulated condition will be submitted through online i.e. on Parivesh portal to enable the State Government for onward transmission of Compliance.

Hence, it is requested that the above may please be appraised to IRO, MoEF&CC through proper channel for obtaining stage-II approval.

Yours Sincerely,

Encl: As above.

(Govindasamy K) 188122 Project Director

Copy to:

- 1. RO-Madurai for kind information.
- 2. Deputy Director General of Forest (central), MoEF&CC, IRO, Chennai.
- 3. CF, Dindigul for kind information.
- 4. DFO, Dindigul for kind information.

Development of Economic Corridors and Feeder Routes to Improve the Efficiency of Freight Movement in India under Bharatmala Pariyojana, Lot 6/Package-I:

Four Laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi from Km 36+690 to Km 61+115 section of NH-785E

Forest Clearance Proposal

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- i. It is hereby undertaken that the legal status of the diverted forest will remain unchanged.
- ii. It is to undertake that, 4 feet high cement concrete pillars at 20 m interval and numbering to demarcate the forest area and the cost will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- iii. It is to submit that, Challan has been generated on 19.05.2022 and the requisite payment of Rs.1,28,87,035/-(Rs.96,93,000/- towards Compensatory Afforestation and Rs.31,94,035/- towards Net Present value) has been made to the TAMILNADU CAMPA as per the account details provided in the challan through RTGS with unique Transaction Reference No. CNRBR52022052182905950 dated 21.05.2022.
- iv. It is hereby undertaken that, the identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme will not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land will be demarcated properly.
- v. It is hereby undertaken that, plantation of Thirugukalli (Euphorbia Spp.) and Kiluvai (Commiphora caudate) and other suitable species will be planted in the Chinnayampatti Karadu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender lories species. This has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- vi. Also, it is hereby undertaken that the additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- vii. It is hereby undertaken that the funds will be deposited to CAMPA fund through Parivesh portal as per the direction of Forest Department/State Government.
- viii. It is hereby undertaken that the trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, dated 24.03.2022 in

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the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995 under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer - Dindigul. Also, the trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 Ha (within 3.708 Ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation will not be felled. The tree felling will carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan.

- ix. It is hereby agreed that, the State Government may carryout habitat improvement activities in the Chinnyampatti Karadu RF to ensure lesser / minimal impact on wild animals (in specific to Slender Loris) due to widening of the road. These activities may be carried out from the amount paid towards Net Present Value (NPV) under the subject project.
- x. It is once again undertaken that part of the existing RoW road that do not fall in the forest area proposed for diversion, will be dismantled and restore the area with planting of suitable indigenous tree species as per directions of Forest Department.
- xi. Wildlife Mitigation plan was approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden amounting to Rs.1,25,88,100/-.It is hereby agreed that, the Wildlife Mitigation Plan in accordance with WII will be implemented by State Forest Department along with NHAI at the cost of the project. It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department.
- xii. It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI.
- xiii. It is hereby undertaken that the additional culvert/bridges over the natural streams/rivers/canal will be constructed in consultation with DFO, Dindigul to facilitate the free flow of water course to avoid rise of water logging and hampering the movement of Wild animals.
- xiv. It is hereby undertaken that proper slope protection for the cutting & filling will be provided in consultation with DFO, Dindigul so as to stabilize the soil.
- xv. It is hereby undertaken that the dugout material/overburden/debris will be dumped outside the forest area and no storage will be done in the forest area.
- xvi. It is hereby undertaken that, the proposed layout plan will not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.

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- xvii. It is hereby undertaken that, the avenue plantation (without felling of existing trees) and Median plantation will be done as per IRC: SP 21-2009 at the cost of NHAI.
- xviii. It is hereby undertaken that, no labour camp will be established inside the forest area and alternate fuel will be provided to labour to avoid damage/felling of trees.
- xix. It is hereby undertaken that, disturbance will be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of NHAI to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- xx. It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal.
- xxi. It is hereby undertaken that, the proposed forest land diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other department or person without getting prior approval from Central Government.
- xxii. It is hereby undertaken that, no additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
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- Axiv. It is hereby undertaken that, any other condition 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 will be complied by NHAI.
- xxv. It is hereby undertaken that, in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.

Project Director 02/8/22 National Highways Authority of India PIU-Dindigul

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Thiru Syed Muzammil Abbas, IFS.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force),
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet,
Chennai – 600 015.

To The Project Director, NHAI,PIU, Dindigul

Ref. No. TS4/52452/2018 dated. 17,08.2022

Sir,

Sub:

Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Dindigul Circle / Dindigul Division – Proposal for diversion of 3.708 ha in Chinnayampattikaradu Reserved Forest of Natham-Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham tehsil of Dindigul District and Marungapuri Tehsil of Trichy District – Online proposal submission by the User Agency ie. National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul – Regarding.

- Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency Thiru.Murugaprakash, National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul, dated: 28.11.2018. (FP/TN/Road /37330/2018).
 - 2. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, IRO, Chennai ref. No. F.No.4/TNB 071/2021-CHN/440, dt. 20.04.2022.
 - 3. District Forest Officer, Dindigul C.No:6434/2019/D1 dated 27.04.2022
 - 4. Compliance report uploaded by the user agency on 22.07.2022
 - 5. PCCF Ref.No:52452/2018/TS4 dated 29.07.2022
 - 6. Revised compliance report uploaded by NHAI, PIU ,Dindigul in Ref.No:11016/01/F.C/N-T/NH-785(E)/2022/1818dated 02.08.2022.

Attention of the user agency is invited to the reference 6th cited.

The revised Compliance report furnished by the User Agency has been verified. It is noted that the user agency has complied all the conditions mentioned by the Government of India except the condition in SI.No(vi) for which the user agency has wrongly mentioned the condition stipulated by the Government of India. The condition mentioned by the Government of India and the condition uploaded by the user agency is as below.

SI.No.	Condition stipulated by the GOI	Condition uploaded by the
*		user agency
(vi)	The State Government shall charge	The Net Present Value of
	the Net Present Value of the	Rs.24,84,880/- is fixed by the forest
	diverted forest land measuring	department for 3.708 ha. of Forest
	3.708ha from the user agency as	land in ChinnayampattiKaradu RF of
	per the orders of the Hon'ble	Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785

Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated:06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated:19.01.2022.

extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in Natham Range as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guidelineNo.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated: 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated:19.01.2022.

Hence, the compliance report furnished by the User Agency in the reference 6th cited is **rejected** and the user agency is requested to upload the revised compliance report in complete shape by making necessary corrections in SI.No(vi)of the condition as mentioned by the Government of India.

Sd/- A. Deivendran for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force)

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests , Dindigul & the District Forest Officer, Dindigul.

/True copy/By Order/

Senior Draughting Officer



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6	The Net Present Value of Rs.24,84,880/- is fixed by the forest department for 3.708 ha. of Forest land in Chinnayampatti Karadu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in Natham Range as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022	The NPV amounting to Rs. 31,94,035/-was already paid (UTR:CNRBR52022052182905950 dated 21.05.2022) as per the demand notice received from DFO, Dindigul and subsequent challan generated from the parvesh portal.

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	and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022.	
7.	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of 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 the undertaking to this effect.	additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department (undertaking enclosed).
	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/).	It is hereby undertaken that the funds will be deposited to CAMPA fund through Parivesh portal as per the direction of Forest Department/State Government (undertaking enclosed).
9	whathe integation plan.	It is hereby undertaken that the trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, dated 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995 under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer - Dindigul. Also, the trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation will not be felled. The tree felling will carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan (undertaking enclosed).
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11	As per the kml file of the forest area	
	proposed for diversion, part of the existing RoW road is not falls in the forest area proposed for diversion. Hence, such left out old road shall be dismantled and restore the area with planting suitable indigenous tree species at the cost of the User Agency.	Earlier, undertaking has been submitted in this regard. It is once again undertaken that part of the existing RoW road that do not fall in the forest area proposed for diversion, will be dismantled and restore the area with planting of suitable indigenous tree species as per directions of Forest Department (undertaking enclosed).
12	Stage-I permission is granted to this proposal on a specific condition that the Wildlife mitigation plan / measures may be approved by the competent Authority of the State, considering all aspects related to the conservation of Slender Loris. The mitigation measures must be in accordance with the guidelines issued by WII. Approved wildlife mitigation measures are to be implemented by the State Forest Department and User Agency at the cost of the project.	Wildlife Mitigation plan was approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden vide letter ref.4 th cited amounting to Rs.1,25,88,100/ It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department (undertaking enclosed).
13	The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by consulting the District Forest Officer concerned, at the proposed cost;	It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI (undertaking enclosed).
14	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.	It is hereby undertaken that the additional culvert/bridges over the natural streams/rivers/canal will be constructed in consultation with DFO, Dindigul to facilitate the free flow of water course to avoid rise of water logging and hampering the movement of Wild animals (undertaking enclosed).
15	Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the District Forest Officer concerned so as to stabilize the soil.	It is hereby undertaken that proper slope protection for the cutting & filling will be provided in consultation with DFO, Dindigul (undertaking enclosed).

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16	The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.	material/overburden/debris will be
17	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The proposed layout plan will not be
18	The User Agency shall carryout avenue plantation (without felling of existing trees) on both sides of the road and also in the central verge of the road at the project cost.	The avenue and Median plantation will be done as per IRC: SP 21-2009 at the cost of NHAI (undertaking enclosed).
19	The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to laborers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area.	No labour camp will be established inside the forest area and alternate fuel will be provided to labour to avoid damage/felling of trees (undertaking enclosed).
20	Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will 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.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.708 Ha (including existing RoW road) 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.	It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal (undertaking enclosed).
	dovernment.	The proposed forest land diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other department or person without getting prior approval from Central Government (undertaking enclosed).
23	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest are for	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.

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	transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	
24	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.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
25	Any other condition 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.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.
26	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed.

Hence, it is requested that the above may please be appraised to IRO, MoEF&CC through proper channel for obtaining stage-II approval.

Yours Sincerely,

Encl: As above.

(Govindasamy K) 02/8/ Project Director

Copy to:

- 1. RO-Madurai for kind information.
- 2. CF, Dindigul for kind information.
- 3. DFO, Dindigul for kind information.

Development of Economic Corridors and Feeder Routes to Improve the Efficiency of Freight Movement in India under Bharatmala Pariyojana, Lot 6/Package-I:

Four Laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi from Km 36+690 to Km 61+115 section of NH-785E

Forest Clearance Proposal

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- i. It is hereby undertaken that the legal status of the diverted forest will remain unchanged.
- ii. It is to undertake that, 4 feet high cement concrete pillars at 20 m interval and numbering to demarcate the forest area and the cost will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- iii. It is to submit that, Challan has been generated on 19.05.2022 and the requisite payment of Rs.1,28,87,035/-(Rs.96,93,000/- towards Compensatory Afforestation and Rs.31,94,035/- towards Net Present value) has been made to the TAMILNADU CAMPA as per the account details provided in the challan through RTGS with unique Transaction Reference No. CNRBR52022052182905950 dated 21.05.2022.
- iv. It is hereby undertaken that, the identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme will not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land will be demarcated properly.
- v. It is hereby undertaken that, plantation of Thirugukalli (Euphorbia Spp.) and Kiluvai (Commiphora caudate) and other suitable species will be planted in the Chinnayampatti Karadu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender lories species. This has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- vi. Also, it is hereby undertaken that the additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
- vii. It is hereby undertaken that the funds will be deposited to CAMPA fund through Parivesh portal as per the direction of Forest Department/State Government.
- viii. It is hereby undertaken that the trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, dated 24.03.2022 in

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the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995 under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer - Dindigul. Also, the trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 Ha (within 3.708 Ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation will not be felled. The tree felling will carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan.

- ix. It is hereby agreed that, the State Government may carryout habitat improvement activities in the Chinnyampatti Karadu RF to ensure lesser / minimal impact on wild animals (in specific to Slender Loris) due to widening of the road. These activities may be carried out from the amount paid towards Net Present Value (NPV) under the subject project.
- x. It is once again undertaken that part of the existing RoW road that do not fall in the forest area proposed for diversion, will be dismantled and restore the area with planting of suitable indigenous tree species as per directions of Forest Department.
- xi. Wildlife Mitigation plan was approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden amounting to Rs.1,25,88,100/-.It is hereby agreed that, the Wildlife Mitigation Plan in accordance with WII will be implemented by State Forest Department along with NHAI at the cost of the project. It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department.
- xii. It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI.
- xiii. It is hereby undertaken that the additional culvert/bridges over the natural streams/rivers/canal will be constructed in consultation with DFO, Dindigul to facilitate the free flow of water course to avoid rise of water logging and hampering the movement of Wild animals.
- xiv. It is hereby undertaken that proper slope protection for the cutting & filling will be provided in consultation with DFO, Dindigul so as to stabilize the soil.
- xv. It is hereby undertaken that the dugout material/overburden/debris will be dumped outside the forest area and no storage will be done in the forest area.
- xvi. It is hereby undertaken that, the proposed layout plan will not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.

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- xvii. It is hereby undertaken that, the avenue plantation (without felling of existing trees) and Median plantation will be done as per IRC: SP 21-2009 at the cost of NHAI.
- xviii. It is hereby undertaken that, no labour camp will be established inside the forest area and alternate fuel will be provided to labour to avoid damage/felling of trees.
- xix. It is hereby undertaken that, disturbance will be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of NHAI to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- xx. It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal.
- xxi. It is hereby undertaken that, the proposed forest land diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other department or person without getting prior approval from Central Government.
- xxii. It is hereby undertaken that, no additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- xxiii. It is hereby undertaken that, the NHAI and the State Government will ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.
- Axiv. It is hereby undertaken that, any other condition 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 will be complied by NHAI.
- xxv. It is hereby undertaken that, in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.

Project Director 02/8/22 National Highways Authority of India PIU-Dindigul

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Thiru Syed Muzammil Abbas, IFS.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force),
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet,
Chennai – 600 015.

To
The Project Director,
National Highways Authority of India,
Project Implementing Unit,
Dindigul.

Ref. No. TS4/52452/2018 dated. 27 ,07.2022

Sir,

Sub:

Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Dindigul Circle / Dindigul Division – Proposal for diversion of 3.708 ha in Chinnayampattikaradu Reserved Forest of Natham-Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham tehsil of Dindigul District and Marungapuri Tehsil of Trichy District – Online proposal submission by the User Agency ie. National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul – Regarding.

Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency – National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul, dated: 28.11.2018. (FP/TN/Road /37330/2018).

2. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, IRO, Chennai ref. No. F.No.4/TNB 071/2021-CHN/440, dt. 20.04.2022.

3. District Forest Officer, Dindigul C.No:6434/2019/D1 dated 27.04.2022

4. Compliance report uploaded by the user agency on 21.07.2022

Attention of the user agency is invited to the references cited.

By verifying the Compliance Report uploaded in the web portal, the following omissions /discrepancies are noticed.

1. In SI.No:3, for the condition of carryout plantation of indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent 8.00 Ha. of degraded forest area in ChinnayampattiKaradu RF, at the cost of the User Agency. The user agency has stated that the same has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.

But the user agency has already remitted an amount of Rs.96,93,000/- for the CA scheme for raising plantation and 1-10 years maintenance for 8Ha of degraded area in Chinnayampatti karadu RF by generating challan from the Ministry's online web portal. The UTR no is CNRBR52022052182905950 dated: 21.05.2022 through RTGS.

- 2. In SI.No:6, for the remittance of Net Present Value, the user agency has stated that "It is hereby undertaken that the NPV of Rs.24, 84,880/- as fixed by Forest Department, will be remitted shortly." But the user agency has already remitted the Net Present Value (NPV) of the proposed forest area (Rs. 31, 94,035/- Rupees thirty one lakh ninety four thousand eight hundred and eighty only) by generating challan from the Ministry's online web portal. The UTR no is CNRBR52022052182905950 dated: 21.05.2022 through RTGS.
- 3. The user agency has not given undertakings for the conditions agreed by them except Sl.nos.4, 5, 8, 9,11,12,17 to 20, 22 to 26.
- 4. In condition No: 12, the user agency has stated that Wildlife Mitigation plan is under approval of Competent Authority. The abstract of Wildlife Mitigation measures costing to Rs.67,42,450/- has been received by them and It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department.

But Wildlife Mitigation plan is approved by the PCCF & CWLW, Chennai to an amount of Rs.1,25,88,100/-in Ref.No:WL5(A) / 16609/2021 dated 14.07.2022.The user agency has to give undertaking to this effect alongwith approved copy of Wildlife Mitigation plan.

Hence, the compliance report is rejected and the user agency is requested to upload the revised compliance report by rectifying all the discrepancies mentioned above.

Sd/- V. Karunapriya for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force)

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Dindigul. He is requested to verify the compliance report with reference to the conditions mentioned by the GOI, instruct the user agency to upload all the undertakings for the conditions agreed by them and also to comply the condition no:10.

/True copy/By Order/

Senior Draughting Officer



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NHAI/PIU/DGL/11016/01/F.C/N-T/NH-785(E)/2022/ 1194

21.05.2022

To

The District Forest Officer, Dindigul Forest Division, Dindigul.

Sub: NHAI - PIU-Dindigul - Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi from Km 35+500 to Km 61+116 section of NH-785E - Forest land an extent of 3.708 Ha involved - Demand Notice issued - Payment paid - Compliances submitted - Request for early recommendation - reg.

Ref: 1. Your office Lr.No.6434/2019/D1 dated 27.04.2022.

2. This office Lr. No. NHAI/PIU/DGL/11016/01/F.C/NT/NH-785(E)/2022/1064 dated 09.05.2022

3. Your office Lr.No.6434/2019/D1 dated 17.05.2022

Sir.

It is brought to your kind knowledge that the proposal for diversion of forest land to an extant of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampatti Karadu Reserve Forest block, Natham Taluk of Dindigul District to National Highways Authority of India for the project of Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi section of NH-758E has been uploaded in the MoEF&CC, online portal on 28.11.2018.

- 2. In this connection, the in-principal stage-1 clearance has been accorded to the instant proposal RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai with certain condition stating that on receipt of compliance to the stipulated condition the instant proposal will be considered for final approval and the same has been communicated to this office by DFO, Dindigul vide letter reference 1st cited.
- 3. In turn, Compliance for the condition stipulated by RO, MoEF&CC towards in-principal Stage-I approval for diversion of forest land to an extant of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampatti Karadu Reserve Forest block, Natham Taluk of Dindigul District has been submitted vide this office letter 2nd cited.
- 4. Further, the Demand notice to the tune of Rs.1,28,87,035/- (Rs.96,93,000/-towards Compensatory Afforestation and Rs.31,94,035/- towards Net Present value)

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for diversion of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampatti Karadu RF has been received from your office vide letter ref.3rd cited and requested to generate challan from the Parivesh Portal.

5. In compliance, the requested amount has been fed through Parivesh Portal for generation of challan from the Portal. The Challan has been generated on 19.05.2022 and the requisite payment of Rs.1,28,87,035/- (Rs.96,93,000/- towards Compensatory Afforestation and Rs.31,94,035/- towards Net Present value) has been made to the TAMILNADU CAMPA as per the account details provide in the challan through RTGS with unique Transaction Reference No. CNRBR52022052182905950 dated 21.05.2022.

In view of above, it is requested that the above may please be communicated to PCCF, Chennai for obtaining approval of the mitigation measures for compliances and needful action please.

Yours Sincerely,

(Govindasamy K) 21/9/22 Project Director

Copy to:

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- 2. RO-Madurai for kind information.



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09.05.2022

To

The District Forest Officer. Dindigul Forest Division. Dindigul.

Sub: NHAI - PIU - Dindigul - Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi from Km 35+500 to Km 61+116 section of NH-785E - Forest land an extent of 3.708 Ha involved - Condition stipulated by MoEF&CC - Compliances submitted -Request for early recommendation - reg.

Ref: 1) Online application uploaded vide FP/TN/Road/37330/2018 dated 28.11.2018 and revised online application dated 03.06.2019.

2) The RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai file No.4-TNB071/2021-CHN/440 dated 20.04.2022

3) The DFO, Dindigul.C.No.6434/2019/D1 dated 27.04.2022.

Sir,

It is brought to your kind knowledge that the proposal for diversion of forest land to an extant of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampatti Karadu Reserve Forest block, Natham taluk of Dindigul District to National Highways Authority of India for the project Four laning of Natham - Thuvarankurichi section NH-758E has been uploaded in the MoEF&CC, online portal on 28.11.2018.

2. In this connection, the in-principal stage-1 clearance has been accorded to the instant proposal RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai with certain condition stating that on receipt of compliance to the stipulated condition the instant proposal will be considered for final approval and the same has been communicated to this office by DFO, Dindigul vide letter reference 3rd cited. As such the following compliance is submitted for your kind perusal.

S. No	Observation of RO, MoEF&CC, Chennai	Reply of NHAI
1	The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	It is hereby undertaken that the legal status of the diverted forest will remains unchanged.

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No	Chennai	Reply of NHAI
2	Demarcation of the proposed 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 proposed erection of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars at interval of 20m and numbering has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
3	The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent 8.00 Ha. of degraded forest area in Chinnayampatti Karadu RF, at the cost of the User Agency;	The same has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
4	The identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land shall be demarcated properly;	Agreed.
5	As proposed, plantation of Thirugukalli (Euphorbia Spp.) and Kiluvai (Commiphora caudate) and other suitable species may be planted in the Chinnayampatti Karadu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender lories species.	The same has been included in the Wildlife mitigation plan and the cost towards the Wildlife mitigation plan will be borne by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
6	The Net Present Value of Rs.24,84,880/- is fixed by the forest department for 3.708 ha. of Forest land in Chinnayampatti Karadu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in Natham Range as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated:06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated:19.01.2022.	It is hereby undertaken that the NPV of Rs.24,84,880/- as fixed by Forest Department, will be remitted shortly.



S.	Observation of RO, MoEF&CC,			
No	Chennai	Reply of NHAI		
7.	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of 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 the undertaking to this effect.	additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHA whenever requested by Forest Department.		
8	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/);	It is hereby undertaken that the funds will be deposited to CAMPA fund through Parivesh portal as per the direction of Forest Department/State Government.		
9	The trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, passed on 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995. Trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer concerned. The trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation shall not be felled. The tree felling may be carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan.	It is hereby undertaken that the trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, dated 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos.2180 and 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995 under the strict supervision of District Forest Officer - Dindigul. Also, the trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation will not be felled. The tree felling will carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan.		
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11	As per the kml file of the forest area proposed for diversion, part of the existing RoW road is not falls in the forest area proposed for diversion. Hence, such left out old road shall be dismantled and restore the area with planting suitable indigenous tree species at the cost of the User Agency;	submitted in this regard. It is once again undertaken that part of the existing RoW road that do not fall in the forest area proposed for diversion, will be dismantled and restore the area with planting of suitable indigenous tree species as per directions of Forest Department.
12	Stage-I permission is granted to this proposal on a specific condition that the Wildlife mitigation plan / measures may be approved by the competent Authority of the State, considering all aspects related to the conservation of Slender Loris. The mitigation measures must be in accordance with the guidelines issued by WII. Approved wildlife mitigation measures are to be implemented by the State Forest Department and User Agency at the cost of the project.	Wildlife Mitigation plan is under approval of Competent Authority. The abstract of Wildlife Mitigation measures costing to Rs.67,42,450/- has been received by this office vide ref.3rd cited. It is hereby undertaken that the cost towards Wildlife Mitigation measures will be remitted by NHAI, whenever requested by the Forest Department.
13	The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by consulting the District Forest Officer concerned, at the proposed cost;	It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI.
14	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.	It is hereby undertaken that the additional culvert/bridges over the natural streams/rivers/canal will be constructed in consultation with DFO, Dindigul to facilitate the free flow of water course to avoid rise of water logging and hampering the movement of Wild animals.
15	Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the District Forest Officer concerned so as to stabilize the soil.	It is hereby undertaken that proper slope protection for the cutting & filling will be provided in consultation with DFO, Dindigul.

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16	The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.	material/overburden/debris will be
17	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	
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19	The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to laborers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;	No labour camp will be established inside the forest area and alternate fuel will be provided to labour to avoid damage/felling of trees.
20	Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will 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;	Agreed.
21	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.708 Ha (including existing RoW road) 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;	It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal.
22	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 proposed forest land diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other department or person without getting prior approval from Central Government.

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23	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest are for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	Agreed.
24	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;	Agreed.
25	Any other condition 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.	Agreed.
26	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules/guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.	Agreed.

Hence, it is requested that the above may please be communicated to PCCF, Chennai for obtaining approval of the mitigation measures for compliances and needful action.

Yours Sincerely,

(Govindasamy K) 09/5/2022 Project Director

Encl: As above.

Copy to:

1. CF, Dindigul - for kind information.

2. RO-Madurai - for kind information.

Development of Economic Corridors and Feeder Routes to Improve the Efficiency of Freight Movement in India under Bharatmala Pariyojana, Lot 6/Package-I: Natham - Thuvarankurichi

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- It is hereby undertaken that the additional amount of NPV, if any, after revision by Hon'ble Supreme court of India in future will be remitted by NHAI whenever requested by Forest Department.
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- iii. It is hereby undertaken that the retaining walls and Check walls wherever required by Forest Department will be constructed at the cost of NHAI.
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- vi. It is hereby undertaken that the dugout material/overburden/debris will be dumped outside the forest area and no storage will be done in forest area.
- vii. It is hereby undertaken that the forest area to be utilized will not exceed 3.708 Ha and the diverted land will not be used for any other purposed than shown in the diversion proposal.

Project/Director 1215/122
National Highways Authority of India
PIU-Dindigul

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F.No.4-TNB071/2021-CHN/ 4HO Date April, 2022

To

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The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu, Environment & Forests Department, Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai – 600 009

Subject: Diversion of 3.708 ha in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham-Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in favour of National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul-Reg

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 17780/FR.10/2020-1 dated 08.02.2021 and 17780/FR.10/2022-5 dated 18.04.2022 online proposal No. FP/TN/ROAD/37330/2018 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am to convey the Central Government's in principle approval (Stage-I) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 3.708 ha in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham-Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in favour of National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul, for a period of twenty years, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) Demarcation of the proposed 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;
- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent 8.00 ha of degraded forest area in Chinnayampattikaradu RF, at the cost of the User Agency;

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- (iv) The identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land shall be demarcated properly;
- (v) As proposed, plantation of Thirugukalli (*Euphorbia Spp.*) and Kiluvai (*Commiphora caudata*) and other suitable species may be planted in the Chinnayampattikaradu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender loris species.;
- (vi) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 3.708 ha 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 guideline No. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022;
- (vii) 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;
- (viii) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesli.nic.in/);
- (ix) The trees of spontaneous origin shall be felled as per the orders of CEC/ Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, passed on 24.03.2022 in the IA Nos 2180 & 2186/2021 in WP 202/1995. Trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of DFO concerned. The trees (both spontaneous / planted) existing in the forest area over an extent of 1.0506 ha (within 3.708 ha) earmarked for space for avenue plantation shall not be felled. The tree felling may be carried out in phased manner as suggested / recommended in the wildlife mitigation plan;
- (x) The State Government may carryout habitat improvement activities in the Chinnayampattikaradu RF to ensure lesser/minimal impact on wild animals (in specific to Slender loris) due to widening of the road. These activities may be carried out from the amount to be realized towards Net Present Value (NPV) under the subject project. The DFO may be instructed to prepare APO accordingly;
- (xi) As per the kml file of the forest area proposed for diversion, part of the existing RoW road is not falls in the forest area proposed for diversion. Hence, such left out old road shall be dismantled and restore the area

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with planting suitable indigenous tree species at the cost of the User Agency;

- (xii) Stage-I permission is granted to this proposal on a specific condition that the Wildlife mitigation plan/measures may be approved by the Competent Authority of the State, considering all aspects related to the conservation of Slender Loris. The mitigation measures must be in accordance with the guidelines issued by WII. Approved wildlife mitigation measures are to be implemented by the State Forest Department and UA at the cost of the project;
- (xiii) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (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;
- (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 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;
- (xvii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xviii) The User Agency shall carryout avenue plantation (without felling of existing trees) on both sides of the road and also in the central verge of the road at the project cost;
- (xix) The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
- (xx) 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;
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- (xxv) 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;
- (xxvi) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under rules / guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.
- (xxvii) The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online(https://parivesh.nic.in/);

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of noncompliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, No.1, Jeenis Road, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.

2. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, No.1, Jeenis Road, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai -600 015.

3 National Highways Authority of India, Plot No. 1, Aishwaryam Heights, Indira Nagar, Chennamanaickkanpatti (PO), Dindigul, Tamil Nadu-624004dindigulpiu@gmail.com

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Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Thiru.S.Prabhu,IFS, District Forest Officer, Dindigul Forest Division, Dindigul-624 004. To
The Project Director,
National Highways Authority of India DIGULANT PIU, Dindigul.

C.No. 6434/2019/D1dated: 27 .04.2022

Sir,

Sub: Forest - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Dindigul Circle - Proposal for diversion of 3.708 Ha. in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham tehsil of Dindigul District and Marungapuri Tehsil of Trichy District - Online proposal submitted by the User Agency i.e, National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul - Regarding.

Ref:

- 1) Government of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai-06, F.No.4-TNB071/2021- CHN/440, dt: 20.04.2022.
- 2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai C.No.TS4/52452/2018 dated:19.04.2021.
- 3) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Chennai Ref.No.WL5(A)/16609/2021 dated:28.10.2021.
- 4) Chief Conservator of Forests, Dindigul C.No.6310/2019/D1 dated:22.07.2021.

I wish to inform that the Government of India Ministry of environment, Forests and Climate Change, Chennai has accorded Principal approval (Stage-1) for diversion of 3.708 Ha. in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in favour of National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. Demarcation of the proposed 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;
- 3. The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of indigenous tree species and its maintenance over an extent 8.00 Ha. of degraded forest area in Chinnayampattikaradu RF, at the cost of the User Agency;
- 4. The identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government. The CA land shall be demarcated properly;



- 5. As proposed, plantation of Thirugukalli (Euphorbia Spp.) and Kiluvai (Commiphora caudate) and other suitable species may be planted in the Chinnayampattikaradu RF to make RF a suitable habitat for Slender lories species;
- 6. The Net Present Value of **Rs. 24,84,880/-** is fixed by the forest department for 3.708 ha. of Forest land in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in Natham Range as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated:28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA.No.826 in 566 with related IA's in WP.NO. (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated:06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated:19.01.2022.
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After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. The inprinciple approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

On receipt of this reference should be acknowledged.

Sd/-S.Prabhu, District Forest Officer, Dindigul Division, Dindigul.

//True copy / By order//

For Draughting Officer

Ref. No. WL5(A)/16609/2021

O/o. the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet, Chennai – 15.

Chennai – 15. Dated: 14-07-2022

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of 3.708 Ha in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham – Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham tehsil of Dindigul – Approval of Mitigation Plan – Regarding.

Ref: Chief Conservator of Forests, Dindigul Ref. No. 6310/2019/D dated 20-06-2022.

Attention of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Dindigul is invited to the reference cited. It is informed that the mitigation plan for the implementation of project "Four Laning of Natham to Thuvarankurichi Section of NH-785E from design CH.36.690 to CH. 61.115 (length 24.245 Km) Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Dindigul District under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase – I (Feeder Route category) on EPC mode in the State of Tamil Nadu is hereby approved. The abstract of mitigation measures are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Quantity	Name of work	Pro-rata in Rs.	Amount (in Rs.)
1	10.00 Ha.	Removal of lantana and invasive alien species in heavy growth	Rs.46025/ Ha.	460250
2	5.00 Ha.	Habitat improvement for Slender loris Cost of Thirugukalli plantation (Planting 2000 Nos/Ha i.e., 5 x 2000 =10000 Nos.)	Rs.191500/ 1000 Nos.	1915000
3	5.00 Ha.	Habitat improvement for Slender loris Cost of Kiluvai plantation (Planting 2000 Nos/Ha i.e., 5 x 2000 =10000 Nos.)	Rs.193600/ 1000 Nos.	1936000
4	900 Seedlings	Habitat improvement Cost of raising suitable seedling Nursery	Rs.108/ No.	97200
5	850 Seedlings	Habitat improvement Cost of raising suitable seedling plantation	Rs.1590/ No.	1351500

SI. No.	Quantity	Name of work	Pro-rata in Rs.	Amount (in Rs.)
6	850 Seedlings	Habitat improvement Cost of first year maintenance	Rs.538/ No.	457300
7	850 Seedlings	Habitat improvement Cost of Second year maintenance	Rs.572/ No.	486200
8	850 Seedlings	Habitat improvement Cost of Third year maintenance	Rs.629/ No.	534650
9	1.50 Km.	Cost of Chain link Fencing	Rs.2500000/Km.	3750000
10	2.00 Nos.	Cost of Check dam	Rs.500000/No.	1000000
11	LS.	Cost of Sign Board (Appropriate sign boards, no-horn boards, no-high-beam boards and speed limit boards).	LS.	100000
12	LS.	Cost of Scientific study - Sanctuary proposed	LS.	500000
		Total		12588100

The following conditions should be strictly adhered

- ➤ Implementation of the conservation plan has to be done as proposed without any deviation and the Chief Conservator of Forests has to submit progress report to this office monthly.
- Disturbance to the movement of wildlife in the proposed area should be avoided.
- ➤ All safety measures shall be taken to avoid accidents and structural failures.
- > The works shall be carried out without disturbing or damaging flora, fauna, or habitat of the area.
- 2) This mitigation plan is only for obtaining Environmental Clearance from the

Competent Authority.

Sd/- Syed Muzammil Abbas Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden (FAC)

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests (I/C),
Dindigul Circle, Dindigul.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Dindigul for information.

/True Copy / by Order/

Senior Draughting Officer

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Thiru.S.Prabhu,IFS. District Forest Officer. Dindigul Forest Division, Dindigul-624 004.

To The Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU, Dindigul.

C.No. 6434/2019/D1dated: 17.05.2022

Sir,

Forest - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Dindigul Circle -Proposal for diversion of 3.708 Ha. in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham tehsil of Dindigul District and Marungapuri Tehsil of Trichy District - Online proposal submitted by the User Agency i.e, National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul -Revised Demand Notice - Regarding.

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1) Government of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai-06, F.No.4-TNB071/2021- CHN/440, dt: 20.04.2022.

2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai C.No.TS4/52452/2018 dated:21.04.2022.

3) District Forest Officer, Dindigul C.No.6434/2019/D1 dated:29.04.2022.

4) District Forest Officer, Dindigul C.No.6434/2019/D1 dated:11.05.2022.

In continuation of reference 4th cited above, I wish to inform that the Government of India Ministry of environment, Forests and Climate Change, Chennai has accorded Principal approval (Stage-1) for diversion of 3.708 Ha. in Chinnayampattikaradu RF of Natham - Thuvarankurichi (NH-785 extension) traverse through Natham Taluk of Dindigul District in favour of National Highways Authority of India, Dindigul, for a period of 20 years.

In this regard, Compensatory Afforestation estimate was prepared and arrived estimated cost is Rs.96,93,000/-(Rupees ninety six lakh and ninety three thousand only) and already uploaded in the web portal. The above amount should be credited by the User Agency and this work will be carried out by Forest Department.

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The revised Net present Value has been calculated and arrived an amount of Rs.31,94,035/- (Rupees thirty one lakh ninety four thousand and thirty five only) is fixed by the forest department for 3.708 Ha. of Chinnayampatti Reserved Forests land to be diverted for formation road.

The above Compensatory afforestation estimated cost Rs.Rs.96,93,000/- and Net Present Value of Rs.31,94,035/- i.e total an amount of Rs. 1,28,87,035/- (Rupees One crore twenty eight lakh eighty seven thousand and thirty five only) shall be credited by the User Agency.

Hence, the User Agency is requested to generate challan from the PARIVESH web portal to deposit the above amount towards compensatory levies at the earliest.

Sd/-S.Prabhu, District Forest Officer, Dindigul Division, Dindigul.

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For Draughting Officer