



**ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE
& FORESTS(FR.10) DEPARTMENT,
SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI 9.**

Letter No.7737/FR.10/2021-1, Dated :16.08.2021

From
Tmt.Supriya Sahu, IAS.,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To

✓ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Department)
Chennai-15.

Sir,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Vellore Forest Circle/
Tiruvannamalai Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of
0.32 ha of forest land in Moolakkadu and Pattarakkadu
Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in
various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-
Vaniyambadi road from km 18/4 to 26/10 of SH-215 in
Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer,
Highways, Construction and Maintenance,
Tiruvannamalai District – Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter
No. TS3/4452/2020 Dated: 30 .04.2021.

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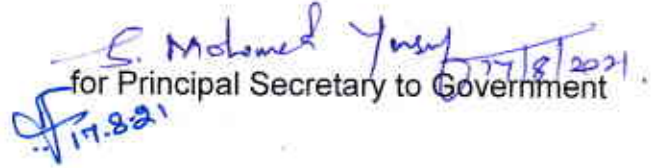
With reference to your letters cited, I am directed to convey the Government's in-principal approval (Stage-I) under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.32 ha of forest land in Moolakkadu and Pattarakkadu Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 18/4 to 26/10 of SH-215 in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District for a period of 25 years, under general approval category as per the provisions under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of the diverted forest land remains unchanged.
2. The demarcation of the proposed forest land shall be carried out by the User Agency by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at their cost.
3. The User Agency has to pay the amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
4. The User Agency has to bear the additional amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as fixed by Forest Department in future.

5. The User Agency has to pay the cost towards lease rent as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted of the above project in future for the entire project period.
6. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceeds 0.32 ha.

2. I am also to inform you that only after receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval and transfer of protected land to user agency shall not be effected prior to the issue of final approval. Further, this in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years and in the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully,


for Principal Secretary to Government
17.8.21

Copy to:

The Divisional Engineer,
Highways, Construction and Maintenance,
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Tiruvannamalai District - 606601
The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests
and Climate Change,
Integrated Regional Office(SEZ), 1st and 2nd Floor,
HEPC Building, No.34, Cathedral Garden Road,
Nungambakkam, Chennai-34.
The District Collector,
Tiruvannamalai District.
The Additional Principal Chief
Conservator of Forests (FCA),
Chennai-15.
The Chief Conservator of Forests and
Additional PCCF (FAC), Vellore Circle,
Vellore.
The District Forest Officer,
Tiruvannamalai District.
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