

Abstract

Forest & Wildlife Department-Diversion of 0.5717 ha of forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for capacity augmentation to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 744 (old NH 208) from Punalur (45/000) to Kottavasal (8 1/000) by Executive Engineer, PWD NH Kollann-Sanction Accorded-Orders issued-reg

FOREST & WILDLIFE (C) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.261/2018/F&WLD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01/06/2018

- Read 1 Letter No.FC2-2222/2018 dated 20.04.2018 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (F,L&R) &NO
 - 2 Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 13.02.2014 from Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India.

ORDER

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (F,L&R) & NO, as per the letter read 1st read above has recommended and forwarded a proposal for diversion of 0.5717 ha of forest land in Thenmala & Aryankavu Ranges ,Thenmala Division for capacity augmentation to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 744 (old NH 208) from Punalur (45/000) to Kottavasal (81/000). The Executive Engineer, PWD NH Division, Kollam is the user agency.

- 2. The proposed project is widening works in NH 744 Kollam-Thirumangalam Inter State Highway connecting Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The proposed widening works in Thenmala Range lies in five locations with an area of 0.4225 ha and three locations in Aryankavu Range with area of 0.1492 ha, altogether 0.5717 ha area is required for the above project.49 trees are required to be felled and certain deep excavations and cutting are requested in some locations.
- 3. Government have examined the matter in detail with reference to the guidelines issued by Government of India as per letter 2nd read above and are pleased to accord sanction for the proposal for diversion of 0.5717 ha of forest land in Thenmala & Aryankavu Ranges, Thenmala Division for capacity augmentation to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 744 (old NH 208) from Punalur (45/000) to Kottavasal in favour of the Executive Engineer, PWD NH Division, Kollam, subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
- .2. The User Agency shall pay Net Present Value as per guidelines issued by Government of India.

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- 3. The User Agency shall give an undertaking to pay additional Net Present Value if required.
- 4. Cost of raising of 10 times the number of trees to be felled shall be deposited by the User Agency.
- 5. The User Agency shall make online payment of cost of Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value with ad-hoc CAMPA through e-payment module of forest clearance portal (forest clearance nic.in)
- 6. The User Agency shall not fell any trees other than marked for felling or cause damage to the surrounding forest and shall take all possible measures to conserve tree growth.
- 7. The User Agency shall not use the forest land for any purpose other than the purpose for which the forest land is diverted.
- 8. When the forest land is no longer required for the purpose, the land will be resumed back to the Forest Department.
- 9. The User Agency shall abide by any other condition imposed later on by Government of Kerala/Forest Department in the interest of Forest Conservation.
- 10. The User Agency shall apply for renewal of approval after 10 years.
- 11. The User Agency has to sign an agreement with Divisional Forest Officer incorporating all the conditions imposed by Government of India/Government of Kerala in this regard and a nominal lease rent as decided by the Government of India may be remitted.

(By order of the Governor)
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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force

Thiruvananthapuram

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (F,L&R) & NO, Thiruvananthapurant

The Chief Conservator of Forest (Southern Circle), Kollam

The Divisional Forest Officer, Kollam,

The Executive Engineer, PWD NH Division, Kollam,

The Principal Accountant General (AUDIT / A&E),

I&PRD (Web & New Media),

Stock File & Office Copy.

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Section Officer