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To

The Principal Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu,
Environment, Forests & Climate Change Department,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai - 600 009

Subject: Diversion of 0.018 ha of forest land in Suranganar RF for the construction of Kumuly border Police check post at Kumuly in Theni District in favour of Additional Superintendent of Police, (Headquarters), Theni District, Theni- Reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No.5328/FR.10/2022-1 dated 05.05.2022, 5328/FR.10/2022-3 dated 6.3.2023 and online proposal No.FP/TN/Others/21594/2016, seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's **in-principle approval(Stage-I)** under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam,

1980 for diversion of **0.018 ha** of forest land in Suranganar RF for the construction of Kumuly border Police check post at Kumuly in Theni District in favour of Additional Superintendent of Police, (Headquarters), Theni District, Theni, 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 the appropriate distance as decided by the DFO concerned, at the cost of User Agency;
- (iii) The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the guideline issued by Ministry vide letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State Concerned;
- (iv) Cost of planting 100 seedlings (including maintenance) shall be realized from user agency towards compensatory afforestation. The location details of the area identified for CA plantation shall be furnished along with compliance report.
- (v) 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;
- (vi) 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/>) ;
- (vii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (viii) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;

- (ix) 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 machinery, labourers & staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (x) Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- (xi) **No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency;**
- (xii) 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;
- (xiii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.018 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- (xiv) The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the rules/guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied;
- (xv) 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;
- (xvi) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Deputy Director General of Forests (Central) of the 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;
- (xvii) Non compliance or violation of any of these conditions will amounts to violation Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant;