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Date 16th June, 2021

To

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

Subject: Diversion of 0.05632 ha of forest land for providing Electricity service to Agricultural purpose in Sy Field No 103 of Thoppampatti Village Sirumalai North West Slope RF in Sirumalai Range in favour of Superintending Engineer, TANGEDCO, Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle, Dindigul - Reg

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.18711/FR.10/2019-2 dated 23.01.2020 and online application No.FP/TN/TRANS/32103/2018, seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project. The project was accorded in-principle approval (Stage-I) by the Central Government vide letter dated 25.02.2020. The State Government vide letter No. 18711/FR.10/2019-5 dated 06.10.2020 and 18711/FR.10/2019-8 dated 28.04.2021 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal and its compliance report of the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.05632 ha of forest land for providing Electricity service to Agricultural purpose in Sy Field No 103 of Thoppampatti Village Sirumalai North West Slope RF in Sirumalai Range in favour of Superintending Engineer, TANGEDCO, Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle, Dindigul for a period of seven (07) years, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged;
2. No tree felling shall be carried out under the project;

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- 3. No fresh forest area other than the area falling within RoW shall be utilized under the project;**
4. Additional amount of 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;
5. 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;
6. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;
7. The User Agency shall provide fire wood, preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling;
8. 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;
9. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
10. Pollarding / pruning of trees, if any, shall be done with the permission of the local forest officer wherever necessary during construction and maintenance of the electricity line;
11. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of relevant Acts, Rules, Regulations, Court Orders and Guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to such projects;
12. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.05632 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
13. Any other condition that the Regional Officer (Central), 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;

14. 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 and guidelines issued by MoEF&CC, in this regard;

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(K.Karthikeyan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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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 PCCF & Chief Wildlife Warden/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. Superintending Engineer, TANGEDCO, Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle, Angunagar SS Complex, Meenakshinayakenpatty, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu-624002. aeedevdgl@tnebnet.org
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Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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