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Dated the 16.06.2016

To,

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

Subject: Diversion of 3.35 ha of forest land in Enusonai Reserved Land of Hosur Forest Division in Krishnagiri District for construction of 765 KV S/C transmission line from New Salem (Dharmapuri) to Madhugiri of Karnataka State.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos .14667/FR.10/2015-1 dated 07.10.2015 and PCCF letter No.TS3/33788/2014 dated 02.02.2016 seeking prior approval of the Central Government 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 of even number dated 08.02.2016. The PCCF, State Government of Tamil Nadu vide letter No.TS3/33788/2014 dated 23.05.2016 has reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's approval (Stage-II) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 3.35 ha of forest land in Enusonai Reserved Land of Hosur Forest Division in Krishnagiri District for construction of 765 KV S/C transmission line from New Salem (Dharmapuri) to Madhugiri of Karnataka State in favour of The Chief Manager, Nagapattinam - Madhugiri Transmission Company Ltd., subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd for 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

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2. The 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 User Agency.
3. The State Forest Department shall raise and maintain the Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 7.00 ha. of degraded forest land identified in the Melumalai RF of Rayakottai Range in Hosur Division, at the cost of User Agency.
4. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of the Central Government for change of location of compensatory afforestation site or schedule, if any.
5. 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.
6. State Forest Department shall raise plantation of dwarf species preferably medicinal plants in the Right of Way under the transmission line at the cost of User Agency.
7. The height of the line shall be raised by additional 6 meters compared to normal level.
8. Felling of trees of spontaneous origin shall not be carried out.
9. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.35 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
10. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to Ministry's guidelines F.No 7-25/2012-FC dated 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulation and Guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects.
11. Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF(Central) of 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.



12. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. K. Ganesh Kumar)

Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central)

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3. 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.
4. The Director, RO(HQ) Division, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi - 110 003.
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