



ABSTRACT

Forests – Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai Circle / Sivagangai Forest Division – Diversion of 0.95 ha of forest land for improvement works of the road passing from Eriyur Ganesapuram to Kalungapatti village across Eriyur North Reserved Forest in Sivagangai District under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.10) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.166

Dated : 07.11.2023

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Read :

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Letter No.TS4/1288/2021, dated 04.03.2022.
2. Government letter No.4363/FR.10/2022-1, dated 13.06.2022.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Letter No. TS4/1288/2021, dated 13.10.2023.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) in his letter first read above, has furnished the proposal (No.FP/TN/Road/119100/2021) for diversion of 0.95 ha of forest land for improvement works of the road passing from Eriyur Ganesapuram to Kalungapatti Village across Eriyur North Reserved Forest in Sivagangai District in favour of the Assistant Engineer, NABARD and Rural roads, Thirupathur, Sivagangai District, for a period of 20 years, under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. In the Government letter second read above, the Government have conveyed the State Government's in-principle approval (Stage-I) under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 under General Approval category as per the provisions in the Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to certain conditions and requested to furnish the compliance report, after satisfying all the conditions stipulated therein within a period of 5 years.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) in his letter third read above, has furnished the compliance report on all the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval accorded for the above proposal and also requested to issue final (Stage-II) approval for the above proposal.

4. The Government after careful examination, accord the State Government's final approval (Stage-II) under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.95 ha of forest land for improvement works of the road passing from Eriyur Ganesapuram to Kalungapatti village across Eriyur North

Reserved Forest in Sivagangai District in favour of the Assistant Engineer, NABARD and Rural roads, Thirupathur, Sivagangai District, for a period of 20 years, under General Approval category as per the provisions under Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
- (ii) 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 from the amount realized from the User Agency.
- (iii) The 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.
- (iv) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to Flora and Fauna in the surroundings and shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
- (v) The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (vi) The lease rent should be realized from the User Agency as per G.O.(Ms)No.272, Environment and Forests (FR.XIII) Department, dated 15.04.1991.
- (vii) The period of lease is 20 years.
- (viii) The User Agency should send renewal proposal one year before expiry of lease.
- (ix) The Conservator of Forests and District Forest Officer may impose any other condition in the interest of conservation / protection and development of forests.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is directed to take action accordingly and send a report to Government in due course.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**SUPRIYA SAHU
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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Copy to:-

The District Collector,
Sivagangai District - 630 562.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest (Conservation) Act),
O/o.the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Chennai - 32.

The Conservator of Forests and Field Director(FAC),
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve,
Madurai - 625 002.

The District Forest Officer,
Sivagangai Forest Division,
Sivagangai District - 630 561.

The Assistant Engineer,
NABARD and Rural roads,
Thirupathur – 630 211.

Sivagangai District.

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department, Chennai-9.

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M. Megala
9/11/2023

SECTION OFFICER

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