

ABSTRACT

Forests – Tiruvallur Forest Division - Diversion of 0.858 ha of forest land in Manali Reserved Forest for formation of road between Kavarapettai-Satyavedu Road (K.S.Road) to Manali in favour of Block Development Officer, Gummidipoondi, Tiruvallur District under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.(Ms) No.120

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Read:

- 1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), letter No.TS3/20007/ 2021, dated 09.07.2022.
- 2. Government letter No.12536/FR.10/2022-1, dated 26.08.2022.

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3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), letter No.TS3/20007/ 2021, dated 20.06.2023.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above, has furnished the proposal (No.FP/TN/Road/44426/2020) for diversion of 0.858 ha of forest land in Manali Reserved Forest for formation of road between Kavarapettai-Satyavedu Road (K.S. Road) to Manali through Manali Reserved Forest to a length of 1430 m and width of 6.00m in Tiruvallur Forest Division in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Gummidipoondi, Tiruvallur 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 accorded the State Government's in-principle approval (Stage-I) under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above proposed diversion for a period of 20 years under General Approval category as per the provisions of guidelines under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for critical development initiatives for public utility, 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 in respect of all the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval accorded for the said proposal and also requested to issue final (Stage-II) approval.
- 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 0.858 ha of forest land in Manali Reserved Forest for formation of road

between Kavarapettai-Satyavedu Road (K.S. Road) to Manali through Manali Reserved Forest to a length of 1430m and width of 6.00m in Tiruvallur Forest Division in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Block Development Officer, Gummidipoondi, Tiruvallur District for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions, under General Approval category as per the provisions of guidelines under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for critical development initiatives for public utility:-

a. The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

b. The User Agency has to bear the additional amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as fixed by Forest Department in future.

c. The user agency has to raise linear avenue plantation on either side of the road to prevent further biotic interference at the cost of user agency in

consultation with the District Forest Officer concerned.

d. The User Agency has to pay the cost towards annual lease rent for the forest area diversion period, as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted for the above project in future for the entire project period.

e. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.858 ha for a length of 1430 m and to a width of 6.00m (3.75m carriage way and 2.25m

shoulder-brim) in Manali Reserved Forest.

f. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies/ department or person without prior approval of State Government.

g. Period of lease is twenty (20) years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before one year of expiry of lease with the State Forest

Department.

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

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai-32. The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, 1st Floor, Additional Office Block for GPOA, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006. Copy to:-The District Collector,

Tiruvallur District-602 001.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest (Conservation) Act),

O/o. the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,

Chennai-32.

The Conservator of Forests,

Chennai Circle, Chennai-600 006.

The District Forest Officer,

Tiruvallur Forest Division,

Tiruvallur - 602 001.

The Block Development Officer,

Kottakarai, Gummidipoondi,

Tiruvallur District-601201.

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department,

Chennai-9.

The Personal Secretary to Special Secretary (Forests),

Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department,

Chennai-9.

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

M. Mogala 4/8/2023

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