



ABSTRACT

Forests – Trichy Forest Circle / Trichy Forest Division –Diversion of 0.141596 ha. of forest land for the use of drinking water to 135 habitations in Trichy District in favour of the Assistant Engineer, RWS Division, TWAD Board, Trichy under Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980– Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.(Ms) No.63

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Read :

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No.TS4/40477/2018, dated.24.05.2019.
2. Government letter No.8984/FR.10/2019-2, Environment and Forests(FR.10) Department, dated 28.01.2020.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. TS4/40477/2018, dated 14.07.2021.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above has furnished the proposal for diversion of 0.141596 ha. of forest land in Kodumpapatty Reserved Forests, Puthanatham Reserved Forests, Kayamalai Reserved Forests and Thatchamalai Reserved Forests for the use of drinking water to 135 habitations in Trichy District in favour of the Assistant Engineer, RWS Division, TWAD Board, Trichy 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 for diversion of 0.141596 ha. of forest land for the use of drinking water to 135 habitations in Trichy District in favour of the Assistant Engineer, RWS Division, TWAD Board, Trichy under general approval category as per the provisions made in the revised hand book 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 in his letter third read above has furnished the compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval accorded for the said proposal and also stated that User Agency has remitted an amount of Rs.88639/- towards Net Present Value and he has requested

to issue final approval under General approval category for diversion of 0.141596 ha. of forest land for the use of drinking water to 135 habitations in Trichy District for a period of 20 years in favour of the Assistant Engineer, RWS Division, TWAD Board, Trichy under Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

4. The Government after careful examination, accord the State Government's final (Stage-II) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.141596 ha. of forest land in Kodumpapatty Reserved Forests (0.023 ha), Puthanatham Reserved Forests (0.036 ha), Kayamalai Reserved Forests (0.05616 ha) and Thatchamalai Reserved Forests (0.026436 ha) for the use of drinking water to 135 habitations in Trichy District for a period of 20 years in favour of the Assistant Engineer, RWS Division, TWAD Board, Trichy under general approval category for critical development initiatives for public utility, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged and remain as Reserved Forests.
- (ii) Felling of trees of spontaneous origin shall not be carried out.
- (iii) The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 mts. at the cost of User Agency.
- (iv) 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.
- (v) The User Agency has to pay the cost of raising Compensatory Afforestation and maintenance of plantation, Protection of plantation etc. as fixed by the Forest Department and willingness to deposit additional amount if any suggested and demanded subsequently.
- (vi) 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.
- (vii) The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (viii) The lease rent should be realized from the User Agency as per G.O.Ms.No.272, E&F(FR.XIII) Dept. dated 15.04.1991 and subsequent changes.
- (ix) Period of lease is twenty years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before 6 months of expiry of lease with the State Forest Department.
- (x) The District Forest Officer may impose any other condition in the interest of conservation / protection and development of forests.

(xi) Monthly report by the Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall be submitted to concerned Regional Office by fifth of every month.

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

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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O/o. the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15.
The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Tiruchirapalli Circle, Tiruchirapalli.
The District Forest Officer, Tiruchirapalli.
The Assistant Engineer, RWS Division,
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The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government,
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SECTION OFFICER 21/9/2021