



ABSTRACT

Forests – Trichy Forest Division – Diversion of 0.127 ha. of forest land in Arasalur Reserved Forests in Tiruchirapalli District for the use of drinking water to the habitations in Thottiyam Union of Trichy District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Urban Division, Trichy under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.(MS) No:46

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Read :

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No.TS4/47810/2020, dated.24.09.2021.
2. Government letter No.16707/FR.10/2021-1, Environment and Forests(FR.10) Department, dated 17.11.2021.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. TS4/47810/2020, dated 11.02.2022.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above has furnished the proposal for diversion of 0.127 ha of forest land in Arasalur Reserved Forests in Tiruchirapalli District for Combined Water Supply Scheme to 138 Rural Habitations in Thottiyam Union of Trichy District, in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Urban Division, JK Nagar, Kajamalai, Trichy for a period of 25 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 for diversion of 0.127 ha of forest land in Arasalur Reserved Forests in Tiruchirapalli District for Combined Water Supply Scheme to 138 Rural Habitations in Thottiyam Union of Trichy District, in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Urban Division, JK Nagar, Kajamalai, Trichy for a period of 25 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 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.1,14,000/- towards Net Present Value and Rs. 60,000/- towards Compensatory Afforestation and he has requested to issue final approval under General approval category for diversion of 0.127 ha of forest land in Arasalur Reserved Forests in Tiruchirapalli District for Combined Water Supply Scheme to 138 Rural Habitations in Thottiyam Union of Trichy District, in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Urban Division, JK Nagar, Kajamalai, Trichy for a period of 25 years 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 0.127 ha of forest land in Arasalur Reserved Forests in Tiruchirapalli District for Combined Water Supply Scheme to 138 Rural Habitations in Thottiyam Union of Trichy District, in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Urban Division, JK Nagar, Kajamalai, Trichy for a period of 25 years under general approval category for critical development initiatives for public utility, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
2. Felling of trees of spontaneous origin shall not be carried out.
3. 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 metres at the cost of User Agency.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
7. 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.
8. The User Agency / Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Trichy should issue constructive order on free supply of water to the Forest Department buildings in the locality near by the project area.
9. The period of lease is for 25 years. The User Agency has to furnish renewal proposal six months before expiry of lease period.
10. The 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 necessary action accordingly and send a report to Government in due course.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy Circle, Trichy.
The District Forest Officer, Trichy.
The Assistant Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and
Drainage Board, Urban Division, JK Nagar, Kajamalai, Trichy 23.
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