



### **ABSTRACT**

Forests – Chennai Circle / Tiruvallur Forest Division – Diversion of 0.8514 ha of forest land in Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest for upgradation of road from GNT road to New Erumaivettipalayam road @ km 2/350-4/150 through Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvallur District under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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

**G.O.(Ms) No.143**

**Dated : 22.08.2022**

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு -2053**

**Read :**

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Letter No.TS3/ 3483/2020, dated 03.12.2021.
2. Government letter No.21898/FR.10/2021-1,dated 09.02.2022.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Letter No.TS3/3483/2020, dated 11.07.2022.

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### **ORDER:**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD) in his letter first read above, has furnished the proposal for diversion of 0.8514 ha of forest land in Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest for upgradation of road from GNT road to New Erumaivettipalayam road @ km 2/350-4/150 through Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest to a length of 1523m and triangle portion base length of 50m for 5.50m width road formation (BT surface and shoulder width) in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, 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 diversion of 0.8514 ha of forest land in Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest for upgradation of road from GNT road to New Erumaivettipalayam road @ km 2/350-4/150 through Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest to a length of 1523m and triangle portion base length of 50m for 5.50m width road formation (BT surface and shoulder width) in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvallur District 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, since the proposal comes under the construction / widening of roads category, 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 (HoFF) 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 for diversion of 0.8514 ha of forest land in Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest for upgradation of road from GNT road to New Erumaivettipalayam road @ km 2/350-4/150 through Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest to a length of 1523m and triangle portion base length of 50m for 5.50m width road formation (BT surface and shoulder width) in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvallur District, for a period of 20 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 0.8514 ha of forest land in Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest for upgradation of road from GNT road to New Erumaivettipalayam road @ km 2/350-4/150 through Erumaivettipalayam Reserved Forest to a length of 1523m and triangle portion base length of 50m for 5.50m width road formation (BT surface and shoulder width) in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvallur District, 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, since the proposal comes under construction / widening of roads, subject to the following conditions:-

- a) The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- b) Responsibility lies with the User Agency for further maintenance of the chain link fencing erected on either side of the road, during the project diversion period.
- c) 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.
- d) The User Agency has to pay the cost towards annual lease rent as fixed by the Forest Department at the time of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted of the above project in future for the entire project period.
- e) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.8514 ha comprising the forest area to a length of 1523 m and triangle portion base length of 50m for 5.50m width road formation (BT surface and shoulder width)
- f) Speed regulating signage and information board on diversion of forest area shall be erected along the road at regular intervals by the User Agency.
- g) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under any circumstances not to be transferred to any other agencies/department or person without prior approval of State Government.
- h) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violations of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per rules in force.
- i) Any other conditions that the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forests and wildlife shall be complied by the User Agency.

- j) 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 a 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 (HoFF),  
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O/o. the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15.  
The Chief Conservator of Forests,  
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Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department, Chennai-9.  
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**// Forwarded By order //**

*M. Megala*  
23/8/2022

**SECTION OFFICER**

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