



ABSTRACT

Forests – Vellore Forest circle/ Thiruvannamalai Forest Division –Diversion of 0.40 ha of forest land in Patrakadu and Veerappanur Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 33/2 to 36/10 (SH-215) in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District under Section-2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.(MS) No:80

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Read :

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. TS3/4454/2020, dated 14.07.2021.
2. Government letter No.12102/FR.10/2021-1,dated 20.09.2021.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. TS3/4454/2020, dated 17.03.2022.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above has furnished the proposal for diversion of 0.40 ha of forest land in Patrakadu and Veerappanur Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 33/2 to 36/10 (SH-215) in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District 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 0.40 ha of forest land in Patrakadu and Veerappanur Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 33/2 to 36/10 (SH-215) in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District 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 completed the demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4-feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters and remitted an amount of Rs.2,50,400/- towards Net Present Value in State CAMPA Fund. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has requested to issue final (Stage-II) approval under General approval category, for

diversion of 0.40 ha of forest land in Patrakadu and Veerappanur Reserved Forests for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 33/2 to 36/10 (SH-215) in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District, 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 0.40 ha of forest land in Patrakadu and Veerappanur RFs for construction of retaining wall in various places of Polur-Jamunamarathur-Alangayam-Vaniyambadi road from km 33/2 to 36/10 (SH-215) in Tiruvannamalai District in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance, Tiruvannamalai District for a period of 25 years under general approval category for critical development initiatives for public utility, subject to the following conditions:-

- i. The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- ii. 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.
- iii. The User Agency has to pay the cost towards 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.
- iv. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.40 ha.
- v. Period of lease can be twenty five (25) years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before one year of expiry of lease with the State Forest Department.
- vi. The Conservator of Forests and District Forest Officer may impose and other condition in the interest of conservation/protection land development of forests.

7. 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)

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The District Forest Officer, Thiruvannamalai District
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SECTION OFFICER 25/4/2022