

Forests – Tiruvallur District - Tiruvallur Forest Division - Diversion of 0.1584 ha of forest land in Koramangalam Reserve Forest of Tiruvallur Forest Division for water supply improvement scheme to Tiruthani Municipality in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, RWS Division, Ranipet, under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.(Ms) No.58

Dated : 17.03.2023 சுபகிருது, பங்குனி – 3, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு – 2054

Read:

- 1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Letter No.TS3/29089/2021, dated 06.04.2022.
- 2. Government letter No.6166/FR.10/2022-1, dated 11.05.2022.
- 3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Letter No. TS3/29089/2021, dated 14.02.2023.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above, has furnished the proposal (No.FP/TN/Water/140975/2021) for diversion of 0.1584 ha of forest land in Koramangalam Reserve Forest of Tiruvallur Forest Division for water supply improvement scheme to Tiruthani Municipality in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, RWS Division, Ranipet, 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 accorded the State Government's in-principle approval (Stage-I) under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.1584 ha of forest land in Koramangalam Reserve Forest of Tiruvallur Forest Division for water supply improvement scheme to Tiruthani Municipality in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, RWS Division, Ranipet, 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 (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 under general approval category, for diversion of 0.1584 ha of forest land in Koramangalam Reserve Forest of Tiruvallur Forest Division for water supply improvement scheme to Tiruthani Municipality in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, RWS Division, Ranipet, 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 approval (Stage-II) under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.1584 ha of forest land in Koramangalam Reserve Forest of Tiruvallur Forest Division for water supply improvement scheme to Tiruthani Municipality in Tiruvallur District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, RWS Division, Ranipet, for a period of 25 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, since the proposal comes under drinking water category:-

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 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.

d) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.1584 ha comprising water supply pipeline to a length of 1584.20 m and width is 1.00 m and after completion of underground laying of pipeline, area should be

restored to its normalcy.

e) The pipeline shall be laid down at-least 1.50 meter below the ground and after

lying of pipeline the ground will be leveled.

- f) Period of lease is twenty five (25) 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

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 & 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 – 635 601. The Executive Engineer,

Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board,

RWS Division,

Ranipet District- 632 403.

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department, Chennai-9. The Private Secretary to Special Secretary (Forests), Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department, Chennai-9.

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

M. Megela 20/3/2023
SECTION OFFICER

