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TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
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Additional Principal Chief Conservator of
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Madurai Circle, Madurai - 02

To
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Department)
Chennai - 15.

C.No.9653/2019/D1 Date:19.10.2020

Sir,

Sub: Forest - Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 - Madurai Circle / Theni Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.5 ha of forest land for the construction of check dam for water supply scheme - Online proposal submission by the User Agency (ie) The Commissioner, Bodinayakanur, Theni - Additional details called for - Submitted - Regarding

Ref: 1) 1) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai. Ref No.TS4/39090/2019, Dt.20.12.2019 and 17.03.2020
2) 2) District Forest Officer, Theni. Ref. No. D/6967/2016, Dt: 09.06.2020 and 14.09.2020

I submit that the report called for in the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter 1st cited has been received from the District Forest Officer, Theni vide reference 2nd cited. The District Forest Officer, Theni has reported that the proposed project location of Check Dam across Sambalar river is not falling in the Eco Sensitive Zone of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary and Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuary. The distance between the proposed project site and boundary of Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuary Eco Sensitive Zone is 35.91Km and Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuary is 4.22Km.

As per the DSS mapping of Tiger corridors available in www.ntca.gov.in the proposed project site falls within the Tiger corridor. The corridor is between the Mathikettan Shola National Park and Pambadum Shola National Park of Kerala state. Further the District Forest Officer, Theni has stated that the proposed project is essential activity as it is intending to provide drinking water to Bodi Municipality and will not be a hindrance to movement of wildlife.

I submit that the District forest Officer, Theni has been instructed to inform the user agency for getting the clearance of the National Board of Wildlife for obtaining prior approval under Forest (Conservation) Act.1980 for this project. The report of the District Forest Officer, Theni may be accepted and the project proposal under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 may be considered on receipt of prior clearance of National Board of Wildlife.

I submit that the copies of District Forest Officer, Theni references are enclosed herewith for favour of kind perusal.


Encl:- As Stated above

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- Yogesh Singh,
Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Madurai Circle, Madurai-02

Copy to District Forest Officer, Theni

He is requested to inform the user agency to apply for clearance of National Board of Wildlife under relevant Forest Portal for obtaining prior approval of Government under Forest (Conservation) Act.1980.

/T.C.B.O/


Senior Draughting Officer.


20/10/2020