

**Letter No.900/FR.10/2023-3, dated: 20.10.2023**

From  
Thiru.T.Ritto Cyriac, I.F.S.,  
Special Secretary (Forest).

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force),  
Chennai - 32. (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal (FP/TN/Road/148705/2021) for diversion of 0.8169 ha of forest land in Vallam Reserved Forest of Kancheepuram Forest Division for relaying and periodical maintenance of Singaperumalkoil - Reddikuppam road to Chengalpattu - Thiruporur road via Anjur, Pattaravakkam, Thenur road km 7/747-8/593 and 8/703.80-8/947 in Chengalpattu Taluk / District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Nabard and Rural Roads, Chengalpattu – Additional details - Called for - Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Your letter No.TS3/39369/2021, dated 10.02.2023.
  2. Government letter No.900/FR.10/2023-1, dated 30.03.2023.
  3. Your letter No.TS3/39369/2021, dated 19.06.2023.
  4. Government letter No.900/FR.10/2023-2, dated 21.08.2023.
  5. From the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Regional Office, Chennai, letter No.4-TNB111/2023-CHN/1130, dated 05.10.2023.

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I am directed to enclose a copy of the reference fifth cited and to request you to furnish the additional information / clarification / documents as-called for therein to Government, for onward transmission to the Government of India immediately.

Yours faithfully,

*M. Megala*  
26/10/2023

for Special Secretary (Forest)

*[Signature]*  
26/10/2023



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F.No. 4-TNB111/2023-CHN/ 1130

Date 05<sup>th</sup> September, 2023  
October.

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu,  
Environment & Forests Department,  
Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai - 600 009

**Subject: Diversion of 0.8169 ha of forest land in Vallam RF of Kancheepuram Forest Division for relaying and periodical maintenance of Singaperumalkoil-Reddikuppam road to Chengalpattu-Thiruporur road via Anjur, Pattaravakkam, Thenur road km 7/747-8/593 and 8/703.80-8/947 in Chengalpattu Taluk/District in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Nabard and Rural Roads, Chengalpattu.- Reg.**

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 900/FR.10/2023-2 dated 21.08.2023 and online application No. FP/TN/ROAD/148705/2021 and I am directed to request that, the following additional information / clarification / documents may kindly be submitted to this office at the earliest for further consideration of the proposal;

- (i) The subject proposal has been submitted for relaying and periodical maintenance of Singaperumalkoil-Reddikuppam road to Chengalpattu-Thiruporur road via Anjur, Pattaravakkam, Thenur road km 7/747-8/593 and 8/703.80-8/947 in Chengalpattu Taluk/District, where in o expansion is proposed. However, the State Government reported that 15 no. of spontaneously grown trees are to be felled., hence the project is intending to do expansion of the existing road and not limited to relaying & maintenance. Hence, the State Government may clarify on the above issues and change in the purpose of the project in the subject;
- (ii) The subject proposal has been submitted by the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Nabard and Rural Roads, Chengalpattu, whereas the State Government reported that the road might be in existence from 1985 and maintenance of the same road is done by DRDA. Further, the State Government reported that, information of the person responsible for the violation has been sought from DRDA awaiting response from DRDA for the same, hence, the State Government shall re verify the facts and submit the following;

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- (a) The Agency and official(s) responsible for violation of FCA, 1980;
- (b) Year in which the existing road was built / constructed;
- (c) Forest Department Officials who are all responsible for not preventing of such violation;
- (d) Action Taken by the State Government so far on officials responsible for violation may be submitted;

In this connection, it may further be clarified that any change in the user agency from DRDA to Highway in the present project.

As the proposal involves works in violation of FCA, 1980, the proposal needs to be placed before REC for recommendation before submitting the proposal to the Ministry for decision. Hence, the State Government may submit the information at the earliest with supporting documents.

Signed by Karthikeyan  
Karupiah

Yours faithfully,

Date: 04-10-2023 11:01:17

Reason: Approved

**(K.Karthikeyan)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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**(K.Karthikeyan)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)