C.No.TS3/39367/2021

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Forest Head Quarters Building, Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai-32.

Dated: 05.10.2023.

- Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Proposal for diversion of 0.0476 ha of forest land in Anjur RF and Sengundram RF for relaying and periodical maintenance of Singaperumalkoil-Reddikuppam road to Chengalpattu-Thiruporur via Anjur, Pattaravakkam, Thenur road km 0/0-0/285 in Chengalpattu District – Proposal forwarded to Government – Details called for -Regarding.
- Ref 1 Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu -Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/148718/ 2021.
 - 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division
 - 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle
 - 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No, TS3/39367/2021, dated 07.07.2023
 - 5 Government letter No. 5190510/FR.10/2023-1, dated 25.09.2023

Attention of the Chief Conservator of Forests is invited to the references cited.

 On the forest clearance proposal forwarded to the Government, certain details on formation of roads have been called for vide reference 5th cited above and the same is enclosed herewith.

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai is requested to furnish the details urgently.

Encl: As stated above.

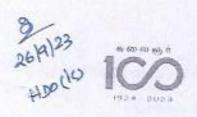
Sd/- S. Alayam, For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)

To
The Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai for necessary follow up action.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division, Kancheepuram

Copy to the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Rural Roads, No. B-75, Alagesan Nagar, Chengalpattu, Pin code 603 001. (User agency)

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ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & FOREST(FR.10) DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI 9.

Letter No.5190510/FR.10/2023 - 1, dated: 25.09.2023

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

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

Sir.

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 — Proposal (FP/TN/Road/148718/2021) for diversion of 0.0476 ha of forest land in Anjur Reserved Forests and Sengundram Reserved Forests for relaying and periodical maintenance of Singaperumalkoil - Reddikuppam road to Chengalpattu-Thiruporur via Anjur Pattaravakkam Thenur road km 0/0-0/285 in Chengalpattu District - in favour of the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Nabard and Rural Roads, Chengalpattu - Clarification - Called for - Regarding.

Ref. Your Letter No.TS3/39367/2021, dated 07.07.2023.

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I am directed to invite attention to your letter cited, wherein it has been stated that the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram division has stated that during inspection, it was found that the road was already laid long time back in forest area and there is no proper records available on when the road was formed. The Forest Range Officer, Chengalpattu reported based on enquiry with village people that, this road was formed 20 years back and this road has no right of way as per the Anjur and Sengundram Reserved Forests notification and also informed that the last renewal was carried out prior to 2008 by Rural Department.

- 2. In this connection, I am to state that as the last renewal was carried out prior to 2008, (i.e.) after enactment of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, any nonforestry activity allowed within the forest land without obtaining prior permission of Forest Department, will be considered as violation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 3. I am, therefore to request you to clarify as to how the subject proposal has been proposed under General Approval category, while violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is involved in the proposed road. Hence, I am to request you to take appropriate action on the above violation of provisions of Forest

(Conservation) Act, 1980 as per Government of India's guidelines dated 29.01.2018 and 15.05.2023.

Yours faithfully,

M. Hegolo 25/9/2023 for Special Secretary (Forest)

25/9/2023