

C.No.TS4/39100/2019

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests, (Head of Department),
Panagal Building, Saidapet,
Chennai - 15.Dated:04.10.2021.

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Madurai Circle / Theni Forest Division -
Proposal for diversion of 2.79 ha (now revised as 2.839 Ha) of forest land for
improvement of Theni Bye-pass road connecting Dindigul- Theni road and Madurai-
Cochin road across Valkaradu Reserved Forests - Regarding.

- Ref 1 Online application (FP/TN/Road/41255/2019)uploaded by the Divisional Engineer,
Highways Construction and Maintenance, Theni dated: 07.08.2019.
- 2 Part II and Part III of Form A uploaded on 04.03.2020.
- 3 District Forest Officer, Theni C.No:7304/2019/D dated 17.02.2020.
- 4 Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Madurai ref.No. 9688/2019/D1,dt.
04.03.2020.
- 5 Principal Chief Conservator of Forest's Ref.No: TS4/39100/2019 dated 18.03.2020 &
02.12.2020.
- 6 Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change F.No:4-
TNB 068/2020-CHN/248 dated 21.12.2020.
- 7 Principal Chief Conservator of Forest's Ref.No: TS4/39100/2019 dated 18.02.2021.
- 8 Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change F.No:4-
TNB 068/2020-CHN/942 dated 04.10.2021.

Attention of the Conservator of Forests /District Forest Officer is invited to the references
cited. The proposal for diversion of 2.839 ha forest land in Valkaradu Reserved Forest for
improvement of Theni Bye pass road received from the Divisional Engineer, Highways
Construction and Maintenance, Theni has been forwarded to the Government vide this office
reference 5th cited based on the recommendations furnished by the District Forest Officer and
Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests vide reference 3rd and 4th cited respectively.

The subject proposal was considered by the REC in its 50th meeting held on 21.09.2021
and after due deliberation the committee decided to seek some documents / clarifications from
the State Government in the reference 8th cited. Copy of the reference 8th cited is enclosed.

The Conservator of Forests & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai , District Forest Officer
Theni and the user agency are requested to send the replies to the queries raised by the GOI
along with all required documents at the earliest for onward submission to Government .

Encl: as above.

Sd/- A. Deivendran
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Department)

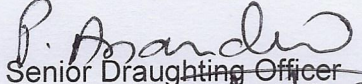
To

The Conservator of Forests & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai.

Copy to 1.the District Forest Officer, Theni Division, Theni.

2.The Divisional Engineer, Highways,C&M,Bangala Medu Madurai road,Theni 625531.

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Senior Draughting Officer
4/10/2021

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F.No.4-TNB068/2020-CHN/942
Date 04 October, 2021

To

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

Subject: Diversion of 2.839 ha of forest land for Improvement work of Theni Bypass road connecting Dindigul-Theni Road and Madurai-Cochin Road across Valkaradu R.F in favour of Divisional Engineer, Highways Construction and Maintenance, Theni- Reg

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter 6353/FR.10/2020-2 dated 17.10.2020 and online application No.FP/TN/ROAD/41255/2019 and it is to inform that the subject proposal was considered by the REC in its 50th meeting held on 21.09.2021 and after due deliberation the committee decided to seek the following documents / clarification from the State Government;

- As the UA informed that 10.50 mtrs width is required for construction of road against 23 mtr proposed in the application and recommended by State Government, the State Government shall look in to the matter and shall report actual length and width of the road essentially required, that is bare minimum specifying carriage way, shoulder etc;
- As directed in the earlier inspection of Regional Office, construction of wall all along the adjoining forest area opposite to bus stand shall be done. The state forest department shall identify vulnerable locations of people entry points into RF areas and propose cost estimate for construction of wall only in such locations.
- The User Agency in consultation with the municipality, shall devise an effective waste management proposal all along the proposed road and surroundings of the bus stand and submit along with the current proposal.
- As rightly pointed out by APCCF in his inspection report "Movement of heavy and fast-moving vehicles on the road can cause disturbance to such wildlife and their habitat and tend to result in road kills as has been witnessed elsewhere.

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Further trash and garbage deposited by the general public on the sides of the road may also add to the discomfiture experienced by wildlife leading to death of fauna, particularly reptilian fauna", in order to mitigate the problem specifically with respect to protecting wildlife and its habitat appropriate wildlife mitigation measures shall be proposed.

In view of the above, I am directed to request to furnish the information as mentioned above to this office at the earliest for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(K.Karthikeyan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, No.1, Jeenis Road, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.
2. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, No.1, Jeenis Road, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.
3. Divisional Engineer, Highways Construction and Maintenance, BangalaMedu Madurai Road,Theni, Tamil Nadu 625531 e-mail; byepas7799@gmail.com
4. Guard file.

Sd/-

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