C.No.TS3/9165/2022

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

Dated: 20.11.2024.

- Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 On-line forest clearance proposal for diversion of 0.246 ha of forest land in Vellore Division for laying underground OFC on the Vellore Tirupathur Main Road between Kuravankottai to District Border across Karuttamalai R.F. in Ambur Taluk, Vellore District Forwarded Regarding.
- Ref 1 1. Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by M/s Telesonic Networks Limited, Mylapore Chennai-4 - Proposal No. FP/ TN/OFC/153781/2022, dated 25.03.2022 and resubmission of proposal on 04.02.2023, 11.02.2024
 - 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Vellore Division on 31.10.2023 and resubmission of proposal on 09.10.2024
 - 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle on 10.10.2024
 - 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref. No. TS3/9165/2022, dated 25.10.2024
 - 5 Government letter No. 8793239/FR.10/2024-1, dated 14.11.2024

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

On the forest clearance proposal forwarded for diversion of 0.246 ha of forest land in Vellore Division for laying underground OFC on the Vellore - Tirupathur Main Road between Kuravankottai to District Border across Karuttamalai R.F. in Ambur Taluk, Vellore District in favour of M/s Telesonic Networks Limited, Mylapore Chennai, Government in the reference 5th cited above has called for clarification/additional details on the proposal as detailed below and being forwarded through parivesh portal.

a) The District Forest Officer, Vellore Division in the site Inspection report has stated that the User Agency, Telsonic Network Limited has proposed to lay the Underground Optical Fibre Cable along the State Highways Road, which passes

through the Karattumalai Reserved Forest to a stretch of 4.10 Km. Hence, it may be clarified that whether any forest land were already diverted to State Highways, if so send the details of earlier diversion.

b) Whether the present proposal of Telesonic Network Limited for diversion of 0.246 ha of Forest land in Karrattumalai Reserved Forest may be considered under the category of Re-diversion.

The Conservator of Forests is requested to furnish the details called for by the Government early.

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

To

The Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle, Vellore

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Vellore Division, Vellore for necessary follow up action.

Copy to the Senior Manager, M/s Telesonic Networks Limited, No. 2/147&44/146, Santhome High Road, & Rosary Church Road, Mylapore Chennai-4. (User agency)

/ True copy / By order /

Senior Draughting Officer.





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

Letter No.8793239/FR.10/2023-1, dated:14.11.2024

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

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

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam), 1980 – Proposal (FP/TN/OFC/153781/2022) for diversion of 0.246 ha of forest land in Karuttamalai Reserved Forest, Vellore Division for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable on the Vellore – Tirupathur Main Road between Kuravankottai to District Border across Karuttamalai Reserved Forest in Ambur Taluk, Vellore District in favour of M/s Telesonic Networks Limited, Chennai – Clarification – Requested - Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), Letter No.TS3/9165/2022, dated: 25.10.2024.

I am directed to invite your attention to the reference cited and to request you to furnish the following clarification on the above proposal:-

- a) The District Forest Officer, Vellore Division in the site Inspection report has stated that the User Agency, Telsonic Network Limited has proposed to lay the Underground Optical Fibre Cable along the State Highways Road, which passes through the Karattumalai Reserved Forest to a stretch of 4.10 Km. Hence, it may be clarified that whether any forest land were already diverted to State Highways, if so send the details of earlier diversion.
- b) Whether the present proposal of Telesonic Network Limited for diversion of 0.246 ha of Forest land in Karrattumalai Reserved Forest may be considered under the category of Re-diversion.
- 2. I am therefore to request you to furnish your report to Government immediately to pursue further action in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

for Special Secretary (Forest)

14/11/ 2024.