



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

Letter No.18547/FR.10/2022-3, dated: 01.11.2023

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/Approach/ 43097/2019) for temporary diversion of 0.091 ha of forest land in Thiruthuraiyur Reserved Forest of Cuddalore Forest Division for the purpose of Reconstruction of damaged bridge at km 6/4 of Pudupettai - Oraiyur-Karumbur-Paithampady road across Malattar River in Cuddalore District in favour of the Divisional Engineer (H) (C&M), Cuddalore - Clarification - Regarding.

Ref: 1. Your Letter No.TS3/12645/2020, dated 12.11.2022.

2. Government Letter No.18547/FR.10/2022-1, dated 08.12.2022.

3. Your Letter No.TS3/12645/2020, dated 14.07.2023.

4. From the Scientist "D", Government of India, letter No.FC-11/50/2020- FC- Part(3) dated 21.8.2023 and 13.10.2023.

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I am directed to invite attention to your letter 3rd cited, wherein the District Forest Officer, Cuddalore Division has not proposed compensatory afforestation and stated that it is not applicable. However, as per clarification issued by Government of India in the reference 4th cited, in proposals involving area up to 1 ha, plantation of 10 times project affected trees, subject to minimum of 100 trees is to be undertaken in degraded forest land.

2. I am, therefore to request you to re-submit the proposal as per the clarification issued by Government of India in the reference 4th cited, to Government for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

M. Megolo 211/2023 for Special Secretary (Forest)

02/11/2023