O/o the Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle, Vellore – 9. Dated: .11.2024.

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – On-line proposal for diversion of 0.246 ha. of forest land in Vellore Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable on the Vellore-Tirupatgtur Main Road between Kuravankottai to District Border across Karuttamalai R.F. in Ambur Taluk, Vellore District – Forwarded – Regarding.

- Ref: 1) Online forest clearance Proposal uploaded by M/s. Telesonic Networks Limited, Mylopore, Chennai-4, Proposal No.FP/TN/OFC/153781/2022, dated: 25.03.2022 and resubmission of proposal on 04.02.2023, and 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 (HoFF), Chennai, Ref.No.TS3/9165/2022, dated: 25.10.2024.
  - 5) Government letter No.8793239/FR.10/2024-1, dated: 14.11.2024.
  - 6) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Chennai C.No.TS3/9165/2022, dated: 20.11.2024.

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Attention of the District Forest Officer is invited to the references above cited.

On the forest clearance proposal forwarded for diversion of 0.246 ha. of forest land in Vellore Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable on the Vellore-Tirupattur Main Road between Kuruvankottai 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 his site Inspection report has stated that, the User Agency, Telesonic Network Limited has proposed to lay the Underground Optical Fiber Cable along the State Highways Road, which passes through the Karuttmalai Reserved Forest to a stretch of 4.10 Km., Hence, it may be clarified 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 Karuttamalai Reserved Forest may be considered under the category of Re-diversion.

The District Forest Officer is requested to furnish the details called for by the Government early.

Conservator of Forests(FAC), Vellore Circle, Vellore – 9.

To:

The District Forest Officer, Vellore Forest Division, Vellore.