C.No.TS3/37319/2017

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet, Chennai-15.

Dated: 31.12.2018.

- Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Circle, Erode / Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Division, Sathyamangalam Proposal for diversion of 35.80 ha of forest land in Gudiyalathur Reserved Forests of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam Division for Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme in Erode District Online Submission of proposal by the User Agency Public Works Department represented by Assistant Executive Engineer, Project Planning and Design Sub Division, PWD, Gobichettipalayam, Erode District Pin code 638476 Regarding.
- Ref 1 Online application uploaded by the User Agency Public Works Department represented by Assistant Executive Engineer, Project Planning and Design Sub Division, PWD, Gobichettipalayam, Erode District Pin code 638476 Proposal No. FP/ TN/ IRRIG/ 25052/2017, dated 10.10.2017 and resubmission of proposal dated 23.11.2017, 30.04.2018, 28.05.2018 & 08.06.2018
 - 2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. TS3/37319/2017 dated 26.11.2018.
 - 3 Part II of Form A uploaded by the District Forest Officer / Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam on 08.10.2018 and re-submission of proposal on 12.12.2018.
 - 4 Part III of Form A uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode on 15.11.2018 and resubmission of proposal on 12.12.2018.
 - 5 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. TS3/37319/2017 dated 17.12.2018.
 - 6 Government letter No. 23339/FR.10/2018-1, dated 31.12.2018.

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Attention of the Chief Conservator of Forests is invited to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests reference 3rd cited.

In connection with the above subject cited, a copy of Government letter is enclosed herewith.

i) The Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve has reported that, trees available in the area are 5639 Numbers. Out of that, 5441 number trees are of spontaneous in nature and balance 198 trees are planted one. Entire 5639 number of trees are to be felled.

In the site inspection report of 27.10.2018 uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests in the project proposal, it has been mentioned that, as the area has more natural vegetation, it is not advisable to carry out felling in the area, which is frequently used by wild animals.

The Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve in his c. No. 3143/2013/D, dated 12.12.2018 has reported that, trees available in the area are 5639 Numbers. Out of that, 5441 number trees are of spontaneous in nature and balance 198 trees are planted one. Entire 5639 number of trees are to be felled.

The Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director is requested to furnish his detailed remarks on the report of District Forest Officer.

Further Part-III of Form-A has not been uploaded/furnished in hard copy, This may be furnished.

The Chief Conservator of Forests is requested to furnish the above details immediately so as to send report to the Government for obtaining Government of India approval for this forest area diversion under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Encl: As stated above

Sd/- S. Yuvaraj, For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department)

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests and Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode.

Copy to the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam.

Copy to the User Agency - The Assistant Executive Engineer, Project Planning and Design Sub Division, PWD, Gobichettipalayam, Erode District, Pin code 638476.

/ True copy / By order /

Senior Draughting Officer.



By e- mail



ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS(FR.10) DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI 9.

Letter No.23339/FR.10/2018-1, Dated: 31.12.2018

From Thiru. Syed Muzammil Abbas, I.F.S., Special Secretary (Forests).

To The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai-15.

Sir.

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Circle, Erode / Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Division, Sathyamangalam - Diversion of 35.80 ha of forest land in Gudiyalathur Reserved Forests of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam Division for Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme in Erode District in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, (WRD), Bhavanisagar Dam Division, Bhavanisagar Division, Erode District - Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter C.No.TS3/37319/2018, dated 17.12.2018.

I am directed to invite your attention to the reference cited and to state that, the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode in his site inspection report dated 5.11.2018 while recommending the above project has stated that "no feeling of trees shall be allowed and the existing vegetation can be maintained". However you have recommended the said proposal with following condition among others:-

The User Agency has to obtain orders from the Supreme Court of India for felling of 5441 numbers of spontaneous grown trees which are required to be felled before taking up the project.

Further nothing is mentioned about the future of 198 planted trees in the above said proposal.

3. I am therefore to request you to send your specific remarks to Government on the recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode regarding felling of trees in the project area.

Yours faithfully,

for Special Secretary (Forests)

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