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**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.

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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 felling 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,

S. Mohamed Yusuf
for Special Secretary (Forests) 31/12/2018.

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