TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

Thiru. Sumesh Soman, I.F.S., District Forest Officer,

Villupuram Forest Division, Villupuram. To

The Principle Chief Conservator of

Forests, Chennai.

(Through The Conservator of Forests,

Villupuram Circle, Villupuram.)

C.NO.3801/2022/D, dated, 22 .02.2023

Sir,

Sub: Forest-Forest (Conservation) ACT-1980- Road Expansion

works on Vellimalai Moolakadu Pudhur between Pakkam to Ravathanallur Villages across Ravathanallur R.F in

Kallakkurichi District - Regarding

Ref The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of the

Department), No. TS3/2374/2022 dt. 20.04.2022

I submit the details as called for by the Principle Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai in the reference cited is as follows.

S.No	Queries raised by the Principle Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai in the reference cited	Reply
1	On the details of number of trees available in the proposed forest diversion area, the District Forest officer has reported that, the user agency/proponent has reported that there is no felling of trees involved in the project and the same has also been uploaded in the web portal by the user agency. As per the recommendation of the District Forest officer, this proposal involves diversion of forest area of 0.768 Ha for BT Road surface of 7.00m width and berms on either side for 2.50m width (total 12m wide) and as per the details uploaded under section 4-ii of Part 2 of Form-A by the District Forest Officer, 302 number of trees available in the proposed forest diversion area	I submit to clarify that only 16 number of trees are present in the proposed forest diversion area, whereas 302 trees were entered erroneously, Which may be ignored. Only 16 number of trees are to be felled in this project and which is uploaded in the Part-II of Form-A (S.No:4)-II.
2	As informed, the identical hard copy of Part-II and Part-III of form-A has not been furnished.	The identical copy of Part-II and Part-III of Form- A has been furnished now and errors are rectified.

3	As informed, for the diversion of 0.768 Ha of forest area compensatory afforestation in double the extent of area of 1.536 planting (1536 number of trees planting) has been proposed. In the section 13 of Part-II of form-A, site suitability certificates of 1.536 Ha of selected degraded foret area, area marked in survey of Indía topo sheet, geo-reference map, surveyed sketch of 1.536 ha identified in the degraded forest area have not been uploaded. Further Kml uploaded for the selected area is not opening, corrected Kml needs to be uploaded.	In the section 13of Part-II of Form-A the following details are uploaded for diversion of 0.768 of forest area, Whereas compensatory afforestation is to be done in double the extent area of 1.536 Ha. Suvey sketch of 1.536 Ha and the following documents has been uploaded i. Site suitability certificate of 1.54 Ha of degraded forest area is uploaded ii. Survey of India Toposheet map duly marked iii. Geo reference map iv. KML file of compensatory
4	Justification for providing/recommendating 2.5m width on both sides of the road for berms of the road has not been furnished	afforestation in degraded forest land has been uploaded. It is a Hillock road so side berms with 2.5 m width is Essential. This road is a State Highway road which is an important District road connecting Sankarapuram to Kalvarayan hills and except at the Reserved forest stretch the road is wide with berms and is in good condition and the justification as above is incorporated.

Encl: As above.,

District Forest Officer, Villupuram Forest Division, Villupuram.