## TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force) Chennai -32.

(Through The Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai -6.)

## C.No.D/1283/2016 Dt.06.02.2024

Sir/Madam,

Sub: FORESTS - Kancheepuram District - Chengalpattu Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.84 Ha in Nallur Reserved Forest for widening the existing approach road leading to Sri Sairam Engineering College and other Educational Institutions managed by M/s.Sapthagiri Educational Trust - Additional Report submitted - Regarding.

Ref: 1.Government Letter No.5006/FR.10/2007-37, Dt.15.09.2023.

2.The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force) Chennai -32 Ref.No.TS3/28217/2000 Dt.27.10.2023.

I submit that in the reference  $1^{st}$  cited, instruction was issued to furnish the details called for in the reference  $2^{nd}$  cited by the Government in complete shape.

Based on the proposal furnished under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.84 ha of forest land in Nallur Reserved Forest for laying approach road to reach Sri Sairam Engineering College to a length of 700 meters and to a width of 12 meters by M/s.Sapthagiri Educational Trust in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref No.TS3/28217/ 2000, dated. 10.07.2001, Government of India has issued Stage I approval in Letter No. F(C)A/ll.2/118/TN/RC/1200, dated 15.09.2003 and in response to the compliance report sent to Government by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai the Government of India

in letter No. F(C)A/II.2/118TN/RC Dt.13.12.2004 has accorded Stage II final approval. State Government Order in this regard has been issued in G.O.Ms.No.83, Environment and Forest (FR.10) Department Dt.21.08.2006.

From the available records in this office, it is found that User Agency had nowhere mentioned and not applied for diversion of right of way no.6 under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. As per Nallur Reserved Forest notification Right of Way no.6 starts from right of way number no.4 and end with right of way no.5 inside forest itself, right of way no.6 does not leads to the M/s.Sapthagiri Educational Institute.

User agency had applied and permission was issued by government of India to divert 700 meter length and 12 meter width (0.84 ha) of forest land which matches with the existing approach road of same length and width.

Thus, From the above facts, it was ascertained that the forest area diversion order obtained from Government of India during 2004 is not applicable for the right of way no.6. Hence, it should not be considered as violation ascribing to fact that the existing road is not in right of way no.6.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-Ravi Meena, District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Kancheepuram.

Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai -6.

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Superintendent