

## TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

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To

The Principal Chief Conservator of  
Forests  
(Head of Department)  
Chennai – 600 015.

C.No. D/ 3811 / 2015, dated 08.02.2016.

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 – Villupuram Forest Circle / Villupuram Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.528 ha. of forest land in Gramam RF – Ulundurpet Range of Villupuram Forest Division for construction of Bridge at KM 0/4 of Kooranur road across Malattar River by Highways, NABARD & Rural Roads Division, Cuddalore – Online submission by the User Agency - Recommendation against online submission of proposal - Regarding.

- Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency – the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, NABARD & Rural Roads Division, Cuddalore dated 07.08.2015 and additional details uploaded on 08.12.2015.
2. Additional details uploaded by the User Agency in Form-A on 13.01.2016.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai Ref.No. TS3/20703/2015, dated 20.01.2016.
4. District Forest Officer, Villupuram No. 4215/2015/D, dated 06.02.2016.

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I submit to inform that the User Agency – the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, NABARD & Rural Roads Division, Cuddalore has uploaded on Online application for diversion of forest land over 0.528 ha. for construction of bridge at Km. 0/4 of Kooranur road across Malattar river in Gramam RF of Ulundurpet Range of Villupuram Forest Division under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 in the references 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> cited.

In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited, the District Forest Officer, Villupuram has furnished all required documents and Maps, Model estimate for compensatory

afforestation purpose along with site inspection report dated 04.02.2016 and applied the same through online.


In the Part-II proforma, the District Forest Officer, Villupuram has recommended the project proposal, since the project is aimed at ensuring communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages during heavy flood times.

Necessary PART-II proforma has been duly filled in and submitted the same along with specific recommendation of the Conservator of Forests , Villupuram.

I also submit herewith hard copy of the Forest Clearance – Part-II proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 for construction of bridge across Malattar river uploaded online in the “forest clearance.nic.in” website alongwith the site inspection report of the Conservator of Forests along with recommendation thereon made. Since the project is aimed at ensuring communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages during heavy flood times and the project is an upgradation of the existing causeway, the proposal is recommended.

**Encl:** Proposal in duplicate

Yours faithfully,

  
Conservator of Forests,  
Villupuram Circle.

  
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**Specific recommendation of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons:**

Inspected the proposed project site by me alongwith District Forest Officer, Villupuram and Forest Range Officer, Ulundurpet Range on 06.02.2016. The Kooranur Bridge is a project of Highways Department involving Construction of Bridge at Km 0/4 of Kooranur road across Malattar River in Gramam RF, Ulundurpet Range of Villupuram Division. The project proposal aims at constructing a bridge on the existing causeway to permit uninterrupted communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam village during heavy floods as flow increases to 2.5m in rainy season.

The Kooranur road connects the Gramam and Kooranur village and passes across the Gramam RF, Ulundurpet Range, Villupuram Division. There lies an existing road with a cause way. The construction of the bridge starts at about 246 m from the RF boundary. The project involves a bridge of 240m length and 12m width along with a diversion road of 240 m length and 10m width, thus measuring to an area of 0.528 ha. ( $240\text{m} \times 22\text{m} = 5280\text{m}^2$ ) in one patch. Thus, a total area of 0.528 ha. is proposed for diversion for the construction of the bridge. It is necessary to quote that there exist a right of way for public and cattle on the Kooranur road.

There is one tree of Dalbergia sissoo at the south west boundary of the road and falls within the proposed area. The user agency informed that felling of the tree does not arise. Since, the felling of trees does not arise and the project aims at constructing a bridge on the existing cause way to permit uninterrupted communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages and also there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980, the proposal is recommended for acceptance.

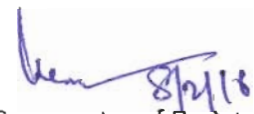
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### **Part - III**

14)	<p>Whether site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection &amp; observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.</p>	<p>Yes. On 06.02.2016, Inspected the proposed project site alongwith District Forest Officer, Villupuram and Forest Range Officer, Ulundurpet Range. The Kooranur Bridge is a project of Highways Department involving Construction of Bridge at Km 0/4 of Kooranur road across Malattar River in Gramam RF, Ulundurpet Range of Villupuram Division. The project proposal aims at constructing a bridge on the existing causeway to permit uninterrupted communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam village during heavy floods as flow increases to 2.5m in rainy season.</p> <p>The Kooranur road connects the Gramam and Kooranur village and passes across the Gramam RF, Ulundurpet Range, Villupuram Division. There lies an existing road with a cause way. The construction of the bridge starts at about 246 m from the RF boundary. The project involves a bridge of 240m length and 12m width along with a diversion road of 240 m length and 10m width, thus measuring to an area of 0.528 ha. (240mx22m=5280m<sup>2</sup>) in one patch. Thus, a total area of 0.528 ha. is proposed for diversion for the construction of the bridge. It is necessary to quote that there exist a right of way for public and cattle on the Kooranur road.</p> <p>There is one tree of Dalbergia sissoo at the south west boundary of the road and falls within the proposed area. The user agency informed that felling of the tree does not arise. Felling of trees does not arise and the project aims at constructing a bridge on the existing cause</p>
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		way to permit uninterrupted communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages and also there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 as on date.
15)	Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-B and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Yes, agree with the information given in Part-B and the recommendations of the District Forest Officer.
16)	Specific recommendation of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	This proposed project for construction of bridge involving Construction of Bridge at Km 0/4 of Kooranur road across Malattar River in Gramam RF, Ulundurpet Range of Villupuram Division. The project involves a bridge of 240m length and 12m width along with a diversion road of 240 m length and 10m width, thus measuring to an area of 0.528 ha. (240mx22m=5280m <sup>2</sup> ) in one patch. Thus, a total area of 0.528 ha. is proposed for diversion for the construction of the bridge. The user agency informed that felling of the tree does not arise. Felling of trees does not arise and the project aims at constructing a bridge on the existing cause way to permit uninterrupted communication and transportation to the public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages and also there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. Since the project for construction of bridge is essential for welfare of public of Kooranur, Thenmangalam and Gramam villages, the proposal is recommended for acceptance.

  
 Conservator of Forests,  
 Villupuram Circle,  
 Villupuram

  
 08/2/16