### TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

To

Dr. H. Malleshappa, I.F.S., Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.

The Principal Secretary to Government, Environment and Forests Department, Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

### C. No. TS3/37319/2017 Dated: 09.01.2019.

Sir,

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 Public Works Department - Regarding.

- Ref: 1 Online application uploaded by the User Agency Public Works Department represented by Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, (WRD), Bhavanisagar Dam Division, Bhavanisagar Division, Erode District 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 Part II of Form A uploaded by the District Forest Officer / Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam on 08.10.2018 and res-submission of proposal on 12.12.2018
  - Part III of Form A uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode on 15.11.2018 and re-submission of proposal on 12.12.2018.
  - 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/37319/2017, dated 17.12.2018
  - 5 Government letter No. 23339/FR.10/2018-1, dated 31.12.2018.

6 Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode EDS reply letter No. D/9334/2017, dated 07.01.2019

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With reference to the Government letter cited, I wish to inform the following details.

- 1) For the proposal furnished by the Public Works Department under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 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, based on the recommendation of the District Forest Officer, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve and Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve proposal had been furnished to the Government for obtaining approval from the Government of India vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited above.
- 2) Before forwarding the proposal to the Government, in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter dated 17.11.2018 (EDS), the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director had been requested to furnish details about of status of trees available (ie., whether planted or spontaneous trees) and whether the entire trees of enumerated needs to be felled.
- 3) In this regard, the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director has reported that (letter dated 12.12.2018), 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 tree are to be felled.
- 4) Though, the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode in his site inspection report dated 05.11.2018 while recommending the above project has stated that 'no felling of trees shall be allowed and the existing vegetation can be retained', he has not furnished any remarks on the EDS reply furnished by the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director on 12.12.2018. Hence for the project proposal, felling of entire trees enumerated in the project area of 5639 trees has been recommended

and condition has been stipulated that, for the felling of 5441 number of spontaneous trees, the user agency has to get permission from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

- 5) For furnishing remarks to the Government, the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, detailed remarks on the issue again called for.
- 6) The Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve has furnished following remarks.

In addition to the site inspection report submitted on 05-11-2018, the following points are to be given importance as they have strong impact in the use of proposed project area.

- 1. It was earlier felt that all the trees need to be maintained as such without felling. But in the recent discussion, it was mentioned by the Public Works Department (PWD) that for carrying out bund formation work, they need to remove the existing trees along the bund numbering to 1,400 and 118 trees along the Canal, which cannot be saved from felling. There are 4,121 trees numbered in water holding area of the tank, which can be saved to maintain the vegetation of the area.
- 2. It is indicated by the User Agency that around 45,000 cubic metre of earth will be taken from the water holding area to form the bund for the proposed tank. The User Agency has identified few areas with good soil to excavate the assessed quantity of soil. It is felt that such excavation in the wild forest area for making bunds may be avoided in the water holding area to maintain the tank close to a natural water body, to enable better maintenance of available biodiversity in the area. By doing so, we can save all the 4,121 trees identified within the water catchment area, without any loss. The soil requirement for formation of bund shall be mobilized from the nearby PWD tanks located in the village tank area, wherein regular de-silting work is being done.
- 3. The Wildlife Action Plan and Mitigation Plans are required to be approved and funded to ensure proper restoration efforts in the surrounds

of the project area, as well as Compensatory Afforestation area. The rehabilitation plan for addressing the Compensatory Afforestation area with a budget of Rs.6,99,20,000/- need to be approved for ensuring better habitat improvement activities in Compensatory Afforestation area. It would also be a feasible idea to maintain a Village Forest and Tank Management Committee at the beneficiary village level with a minimum Corpus of Rs.10 lakhs and Liveli-hood / Asset Creation Fund of Rs.20 lakhs to ensure better co-operation of public towards forest and tank conservation.

7) The Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode in his site inspection has stated that, he inspected the area on 27.10.2018 along with officials of Forest and Public Works Department connected with the project proposal. He walked the entire circumference of the proposed site and found that, it has more wild vegetation growth in the area proposed for Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme. The area is mainly dominated by the Southern Tropical Dry Thorn Forest intermittently, the growth of riverain vegetation was also found, dominated by *Terminalia arjuna* tree. The area is regularly used by the wild animals like elephant, spotted deer, sambar, wild boar, leopard etc., There are two streams flowing within the site identified for tank scheme and it was having flowing water during the inspection. The indirect evidences seen in the area proved that there is regular movement of herbivores in the area.

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. It was also understood that the streams in the area will have water only through rainy season, which will be around three to four months in a year. Under such circumstances, in most part of the year, the tank will not having water to its full capacity. Therefore it has been recommended that no felling shall be allowed in the water holding area and the existing vegetation can be maintained as such. Even after construction of tank, if a small portion of the area is under inundation, the standing snag will help some *Avi fauna* as nesting and rooting sites.

The Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director has stated that he agree with the points of the District Forest Officer for other details and convinced that this scheme would help the nearby villagers to improve their livelihood earnings through agriculture. Hence he recommends that this tank scheme may be accepted and approved for implementation.

8) Based on the remarks furnished by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam, specific remarks called for by the Government is furnished below.

Since the area is regularly used by the wild animals like elephant, spotted deer, sambar, wild boar, leopard etc., preservation of wild vegetation growth in the area felt necessary. As suggested by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, for the implementation of Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme in the forest area, the existing trees along the bund numbering to 1,400 and 118 trees along the Canal alone may be allowed for felling and the trees available in the water spread area numbering 4121 may be retained without any disturbance. Excavation in the wild forest area for making bunds may be avoided in the water holding area to maintain the tank close to a natural water body, to enable better maintenance of available biodiversity in the area. The soil requirement for formation of bund shall be mobilized by the user agency from the nearby PWD tanks located in the village tank area, wherein regular de-silting work is being done.

Copies of Part-III of Form-A and revised field inspection report and reply uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (in EDS reply section) is enclosed herewith.

Encl: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Head of Department)

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### TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

To

Dr. V. Naganathan, I.F.S., Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode-4.

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

### C. No. D / 9334 / 2017, dated 07-01-2019.

Sir,

- Sub: Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Circle, Erode / Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Division, Sathyamangalam Proposal for diversion of 35.80 ha. of forest land in Guthiyalathur 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. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No.TS3/37319/2017, dated 26-11-2018, 17-12-2018 and 31-12-2018.
  - 2. Government Letter No.23339/FR.10/2018-1, dt.31-12-2018.

With reference to above, I submit that in the first reference cited the details of Part III of Form-A has been uploaded today and a copy of the same is enclosed herewith.

In addition to my first inspection report, on 05-11-2018 revised details were submitted as follows:-

1. It was earlier felt that all the trees need to be maintained as such without felling. But in the recent discussion, it was mentioned by the Public Works Department (PWD) that for carrying out bund formation work, they need to remove the existing trees along the bund numbering to 1,400 and 118 trees along the Canal, which cannot be saved from felling. There are 4,121 trees numbered in water holding area of the tank, which can be saved to maintain the vegetation of the area.

2. It is indicated by the User Agency that around 45,000 cubic metre of earth will be taken from the water holding area to form the bund for the proposed tank. The User Agency has identified few areas with good soil to excavate the assessed quantity of soil. It is felt that such excavation in the wild forest area for making bunds may be avoided in the water holding area to maintain the tank close to a natural water body, to enable better maintenance of available biodiversity in the area. By doing so, we can save all the 4,121 trees identified within the water catchment area, without any loss. The soil requirement for formation of bund shall be mobilized from the nearby PWD tanks located in the village tank area, wherein regular de-silting work is being done.

I recommend that this tank scheme may be accepted and approved for implementation with mentioned conditions.

This is for favour of kind information.

Yours faithfully,

Encl.:As above.

for Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode.

# <u>PART – III</u> (To be filled by the concerned Conservator of Forests)

	Location of the Project / Scheme	
1)	Whether site, where the forest land involved is located, has been inspected by the concerned Conservator of Forests (Yes / No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in the form of inspection note to be enclosed.	Yes 27-10-18, 05-11-18 Copy enclosed separately
2)	Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-B and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests	Yes Agreed
3)	Specific recommendation of the concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The proposed site for diversion of forests land in Guthiyalathur RF and the proposed tank scheme is 88.46 acres or 35.80 Ha was inspected by me on 27-10-18, 05-11-18.
		I agree with the points of the District Forest Officer, Sathyamangalam for other details and convinced that this scheme would help the nearby villagers to improve their livelihood earnings through agriculture.
		Hence I recommended that this tank scheme may be accepted and approved for implementation.

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

26/12/18

## <u>Site inspection report of Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director,</u> <u>Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode.</u>

### (For the Forest Land to be diverted under F.C.A)

A proposal has been received by this office from the Assistant Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub-division, Gobichettipalayam for diversion (under FCA 1980) of 35.80 ha. forest land for non-forestry purpose. The Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme is proposed across jungle stream which originates near Madapatti Hill village in the midst of Guthiyalathur Reserve Forest land and flows in the Southern direction for about 13.60 kms. and joins with the Bhavani river finally. The Stream at the proposed site has got a catchment area of 20.30 sq. km. or 7.93 sq. miles, which lies in Guthiyalathur Reserve Forest area. The capacity of the proposed tank is 28.75 mcft. per filling. Assuming 1½ fillings, the total annual storage works out to 43.12 mcft. The total reserve forest land acquisition in Guthiyalathur Reserve Forest for water spread, bund, canals of the proposed tank scheme is 88.46 acres or 35.80 hectares. The proposal uploaded was the User Agency No.FP/TN/IRRIG/25052/2017 on 10-10-2017.

On 27-10-2018, I inspected the site. A team of officers comprising the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam; the Assistant Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub-division, Gobichettipalayam; the Assistant Engineer, Vaniputhur Section, the Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Section, Gobichettipalayam; the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Forest Protection Squad, Erode and the Forest Range Officer, T.N. Palayam accompanied me during the field inspection. I walked the entire circumference of the proposed site and found that it has more wild vegetation growth in the area proposed for Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme. The area is mainly dominated by the Southern Tropical Dry Thorn Forest intermittently, the growth of riverain vegetation was also found, dominated by Terminalia arjuna tree. The area is regularly used by the wild animals like Elephant, Spotted Deer, Sambar, Wild Boar, Leopard etc. There are two streams flowing within the site identified for tank scheme and it was having flowing water during the The indirect evidences seen in the area proved that there is regular inspection. movement of herbivores in the area.

After covering the entire circumference of the proposed area by seeing all the points marked in the Map submitted, it was suggested to the User Agency that the area marked need to be surveyed again to confirm the correctness of area calculated with the use of GPS equipment. Based on the direction, the Public Works Department team carried out a joint inspection along with the Forest Range Officer on 01-11-2018 and ascertained that the area is 35.80 ha. after completion of survey following Compass and Chain method.

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. It was also understood that the streams in the area will have water only through rainy season, which will be around three to four months in a year. Under such circumstances, in most part of the year, the tank will not be having water to its full capacity. Therefore it is recommended that no felling shall be allowed in the water holding area and the existing vegetation can be maintained as such. Even after construction of tank, if a small portion of the area is under inundation, the standing snag trees will help some *Avi fauna* as nesting and roosting sites.

I agree with the points of the District Forest Officer for other details and convinced that this scheme would help the nearby villagers to improve their livelihood earnings through agriculture. Hence I recommend that this tank scheme may be accepted and approved for implementation. The Compensatory Land for this scheme has already been identified by the District Forest Officers in S.F.No.2144/2017 of Bargur "A" village in Anthiyur Taluk of Erode District and as it has been identified to be a suitable site as per the report of the District Forest Officers, A Rehabilitation Plan should be submitted by the District Forest Officer, to upgrade the status of compensatory land by incorporating all the required activities to make it into a forest.

In addition to the site inspection report submitted on 05-11-2018, the following points are to be given importance as they have strong impact in the use of proposed project area.

- 1. It was earlier felt that all the trees need to be maintained as such without felling. But in the recent discussion, it was mentioned by the Public Works Department (PWD) that for carrying out bund formation work; they need to remove the existing trees along the bund numbering to 1,400 and 118 trees along the Canal, which cannot be saved from felling. There are 4,121 trees numbered in water holding area of the tank, which can be saved to maintain the vegetation of the area.
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- 3. The Wildlife Action Plan and Mitigation Plans are required to be approved and funded to ensure proper restoration efforts in the surrounds of the project area, as well as Compensatory Afforestation area. The rehabilitation plan for addressing the Compensatory Afforestation area with a budget of Rs.6,99,20,000/- need to be approved for ensuring better habitat improvement activities in Compensatory Afforestation area. It would also be a feasible idea to maintain a Village Forest and Tank Management Committee at the beneficiary village level with a minimum Corpus of Rs.10 lakhs and Livelihood / Asset Creation Fund of Rs.20 lakhs to ensure better co-operation of public towards forest and tank conservation.

Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode. C.No.TS3/41275/2017

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

Dated: 26.11.2018.

- 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 26.07.2018.
  - 3 Part II of Form A uploaded by the District Forest Officer / Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam on 08.10.2018.
  - 4 Part III of Form A uploaded by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode on 15.11.2018.

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Attention of the Chief Conservator of Forests is invited to the references cited.

In the Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer and Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam, following shortcomings are noticed.

- 1) Under the section of details of vegetation available in the forest land proposed for diversion, species-wise and girth-wise enumeration of trees at Full Reservoir Level (FRL) reported are as follows.
- i) species-wise and girth-wise enumeration of trees at FRL -4042 trees
- ii) species-wise and girth-wise enumeration of trees at FRL-2 meter NIL
- iii) species-wise and girth-wise enumeration of trees at FRL-4 meter 355 trees.
- (i) It is not specified that, (a) total trees available in the project area, (b) whether the trees mentioned in (i) is for the total trees available in the project area, (c) details about trees available at FRL-2 meter depth.
- (ii) The District Forest Officer has not mentioned about the status of trees available (ie., whether planted or spontaneous trees)
- (iii) Whether the entire trees of enumerated needs to be felled.
- (iv) If felling of trees involved, trees felling cost along with transportation to godown has to be recovered from the user agency. Hence cost to be recovered from the user agency has to be uploaded with the proposal.
- (v) Component of works proposes in the forest diversion area are canal formation, bund, water spread area.

Details of trees available in the canal, bund and water spread area has to be uploaded separately.

- 2) Under the significance of the forest land proposed for diversion from wildlife point of view, the District Forest Officer has stated that, Asian Elephant, Leopard, Tiger, Wild dog, India gaur, Spotted deer, Sloth bear, Mouse-deer etc are present in and around the forest land proposed for diversion and the proposed forest diversion area forms part of wildlife sanctuary, tiger reserve and the proposed land for diversion falls under buffer area of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve.
- (i) Details and comments on the impact of project on the area has not been reported by the District Forest Officer.
- 3) The District Forest Officer / Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam has not uploaded the site suitability certificate of

proposed non-forest land of 73.00 ha of CA land lies in Bargur 'A' village in two patches.

### In Part-III of Form-A

4) As per the field inspection notes and recommendation of the proposal uploaded in the Part-III of Form-A by the Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode, rehabilitation plan should be submitted by the District Forest Officer to upgrade the status of compensatory land by incorporating all the required activities to make it into a forest.

The Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director has to confirm, whether the CA scheme proposed by the District Forest Officer has fulfilled the observation of the above and the CA Scheme furnished by the DFO may be accepted, whether any demarcation in the field is required, protection measures if any needed has to be included

In-addition to the above, original of hard copy of Part-II and Part-III of the proposal in three copies has not been furnished. This may be furnished.

The Chief Conservator of Forests is requested to rectify the defects and submit the proposal through online immediately.

> Sd/- H. Malleshappa, 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.

#### TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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From

Thiru P.G.Arunlal, I.F.S.,
District Forest Officer &
Deputy Director,
Sathyamangalam Division,
Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve,
Sathyamangalam – 638 402.

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai

C.No. 3143/2013/D dated: -12-2018

Sir,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve Circle, Sathyamangalam Division - Proposal for diversion of 35.80 ha of forest land in Guthiyalathur Reserved Forests of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam Division for Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme in Erode District - reg.

Ref: The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai C.No. TS3/37319/2017 dt: 26.11.18

I submit that the details of queries raised in the above reference cited is as follows.

Sl.No	Question	Answer			
<ul><li>1. i) Total trees available in the project area</li><li>(a)</li></ul>		Total trees available in the project area are 5639 Nos			
(b)	Whether the trees mentioned in (i) is for the total trees available in the project area	No			
(c)	Details about trees available at FRL-2 meter depth	Trees available at FRL-2 meter depth are 1666 Nos			
ii)	The District Forest Officer has not mentioned about the status of trees available (ie., whether planted or spontaneous trees)	Trees available in the area are 5639 Nos out of that 5441 Nos trees are of spontaneous in nature and balance 198 trees are planted trees.			
iii)	Whether the entire trees of enumerated needs to be felled	Yes, entire 5639 Nos of trees are to be felled.			
iv)	If felling of trees involved, trees felling cost along with transportation to godown has to be recovered from the user agency has to be uploaded with the proposal.	Felling cost along with transportation to godown is comes to Rs. 5,71,325. An undertaking given by the User agencies has already been included in the proposal. A copy of the undertaking is enclosed herewith.			

Sl.No	Question	Answer Trees available in canal, bund, water spread area is as follows				
v)	Component of works proposes in the forest diversion area are canal					
	formation, bund, water spread area	1	Canal area		118 Nos	
		2	Bund area		1400 Nos	
		3	Water spread area	* *	4121 Nos	
			Total	*	5639 Nos	
2 (i)	Details and comments on the impact of project on the area has not been reported by the District Forest Officer	The impact of the project on the area has uploaded in the website.				
3.	The District Forest Officer & Deputy Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam has not uploaded the site suitability certificate of proposed non-forest land of 73.00 ha of CA land lies in Bargur 'A' Village in two patches.	The site suitability certificate of proposed non-forest land of 73.00 has of CA land lies in Bargur 'A' Village in two patches has uploaded in the website.				

Yours faithfully,

District Forest Difficar & Deputy Parector.

Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode.

### TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Dr. V. Naganathan, I.F.S.,
Chief Conservator of Forests and
Field Director,
Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve,
Erode-4.

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of the Department),
Chennai-15.

C. No. D / 9334 / 17, dated 13-12-2018.

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Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam Division for
Kanakkampalayam Tank Scheme in Erode District
Remarks - Reg

Ref: Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai C. No. TS3/37319/2017, dt. 26-11-18

With reference to above I submit my reply as follows. The Compensatory Afforestation land identified by the District Forest Officer, Erode & Deputy Director Sathyamangalam may be accepted and the Compensatory Afforestation Scheme may also be accepted. It is required to demarcate the Compensatory Afforestation land in the field to make sketch for the area and follow up for necessary hand over correction in the Revenue records to ensure legal handing over of the area to the Forest Department. It is also mandatory to get area notified as Reserved Forest directly, as it is a Government Land free from Public use. The Rehabilitation Plan worth around 7 crores, submitted by Deputy Director Sathyamangalam shall be accepted to ensure enrichment of the Compensatory area into a Forest.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, Erode.