

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From :

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To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of
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(Through Proper Channel)

The Chief Conservator of Forests
and Field Director,
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger
Reserve,
Madurai-625 002.

C.No. 4289/2018/D1 Dated : 12.05.2023

Sir,

Sub : Forests – Forest Conservation Act 1980 – SMTR Madurai Circle
and Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.1275 ha of Forest
Land for formation of new black top road from Vickramangalam
– Kadupatti village through Mannadimangalam RF- report
submitted - regarding.

Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the user agency – Block
Development Officer, Vadipatti (FP/TN/ Road/34073
/2018)

2. Government Lr No.17883/FR-X/2022-2 Dated:
25.04.2023.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest
Force), Chennai, Ref.No. TS4/25987/2018,
Dated: 19.10.2022, 08.11.2022 and 26.04.2023.

I wish to submit that, the proposal for diversion of 0.1275 Ha of
Forest Land in Mannadimangalam Reserve Forest for formation of new
black top road from Vickramangalam to Kadupatti village under section -
2 of Forest Conservation Act 1980 has been submitted to the

Government vide the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force), Chennai ref 3rd cited Dated: 19.10.2022 for the Principal State – I approval of the State Government.

In this continuation the Government has raised the request to clarify the reason for non-submission of Compensatory Afforestation scheme for this subject proposal.

Report:

The proposed road for formation of new black top from Vikramangalam to Kadupatti village is situated within the area of Vikramangalam (inside the town limits). The area for Diversion for this project is 0.1275 ha less than 1ha. There is no standing trees or vegetation in the proposed area of 0.1275 ha in and adjacent by. Hence there are no trees like to be felled.

As per the Guideline of Forest (C) Act 1980 for the year of 2004 in the chapter – 3 regarding Compensatory Afforestation in sub.No.3.2 no Compensatory Afforestation shall be insisted upon in Sl.No.(VIII (b)) it has informed the proposal involving diversion of Forest Land up to 1ha.

However as per 3rd reference under the guidelines of Forest (C) Act 1980 for the year 2019 in the chapter 2 regarding Compensatory Afforestation scheme of read with special provisions for Compensatory Afforestation for certain categories of ***“Constructions of link roads, small water works, minor irrigation works, school building, dispensaries, hospitals, tiny rural industrial sheds of the Government or any other similar work excluding mining and encroachment cases which directly benefit the people of the area in hill districts and in other districts having Forest area***

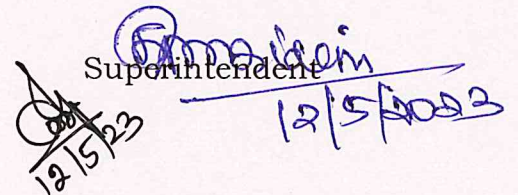
exceeding 50% of the total Geographical area, provided diversion of Forest area does not exceed 20 Hectares”.

Madurai District having Forest area not exceeding 50% of the total Geographical area and the diversion of the Forest area is 0.1275 ha more less than 20 ha. Further there is no tree felling involved and considered that the said proposal in Madurai District (Forest Cover – FSI 13.83%) does not require Compensatory Afforestation under special provisions for Compensatory Afforestation for certain category of projects. Hence it is reported that there is no Compensatory Afforestation scheme proposed for this project for kind perusal.

Yours faithfully
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Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Srivillipudhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai.

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Superintendent
12/5/23

