

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
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Coimbatore-641043.

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

Through

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests, Coimbatore Circle,
Coimbatore – 43.

Ref.No.8484/2020/D1, dated. 25.02.2021

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 0.62 ha of forest land in Madukkarai Forest Block-V Reserved land in Madukkarai village of Coimbatore Forest Division for burial ground for Christians in Madukkarai village of Coimbatore Corporation area in favour of the Commissioner, Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation , Coimbatore – report submission of - reg.

- Ref: 1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Chennai F.No.4-TNB070/2021- CHN/ Dated. .02.2021
2. The Tamil Nadu State Government Letter No. 17260/FR.10/2020-1, dated 05.02.2021
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department), Chennai Ref.No.TS3/42513/2020 Dt.01.12.2020
4. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Coimbatore Circle, Coimbatore, Ref. No. D1/10937/2020, Dated. 02.12.2020
5. This office Ref. No. 8484/2020/D1, Dated.03.12.2020

I submit my reply to the queries raised by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in the above first cited as follows.

- (a) The proposed forest land for diversion is a CA area received in lieu of diversion of forest area to the ACC Ltd. (The Associated Cement Companies Limited). One of the conditions imposed in the final order (No.8-98/85-FC of MoEF, New Delhi dated 29.04.1997) is "Transferred area will be fully stocked by the Forest Department out of amount paid by the User Agency in shortest possible time and maintained subsequently." But as per the report of DFO there is no vegetation except some Thorny (Prosopis Sp.) trees. Hence, the details of plantation carried out by the department in the said area along with details of amount collected for CA plantation and actual amount spent for raising such plantation and reasons for failure of such plantation etc needs to be provided.

On perusal of back files available in the office, it is observed that an amount of Rs.24,60,000/- has been received for compensatory afforestation. The amount Rs.9.87 lakhs has been utilized for taking up planting ⁽²⁰⁰¹⁻⁰²⁾ in the following locations (1) Nellitherai RF (2) Mile kallu Revenue poramboku land. Hence, it is submitted that no planting activities were taken up in the land identified for Diverting in the present case. Only natural vegetation is seen in this area which is a scrub jungle.

- (b) The map with DGPS co-ordinates of the entire patch of CA area received in lieu of diversion of forest area to ACC Ltd and which portion of the CA area is proposed to be diverted and any other areas already diverted in the CA area if any may also be provided with clearly depicting the same in the map;

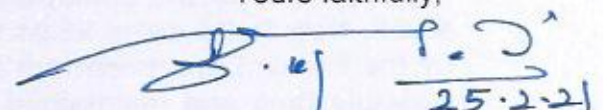
The map is prepared as per the instruction given and enclosed herewith.

- (c) The CA land (non-forest land) given along with this proposal is located at Thenkarai village in Sy.No.499/3 having extent of 1.24 ha, whereas the CA scheme was given only for the extent of 0.62 ha. Based on the kml file of CA land, it is located at mid of hillock with lesser growth over it; hence suitability and viability of growing CA plantation needs to be reported. It is also requested to submit a certificate from the competent authority to the effect that the identified non forest land is not having any encroachment and not under any litigation.

In this present case compensatory area of 1.24 ha to be given by the User Agency against 0.62 ha area to be diverted. In earlier case in this area the Compensatory Afforestation scheme suggested by Government of India in its ref.No. Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Chennai F.No.4-TNB014/2017- CHN/1962, Dated.14.12.2018 is that to plant 1000 plants / ha diverted. Accordingly the Compensatory Afforestation scheme is prepared to plant 620 plants over the area of 1.24 ha of land to be handed over. The area is situated just adjoining to the Reserve Forest namely Bolampatty Block-I Reserve Forests. The area is already with good growth of vegetation. So we need to fill only gaps. Since already vegetation is there the area is suitable for taking up planting.

The required certificate for the effect that there is no encroachment in the Compensatory Afforestation land is enclosed herewith.

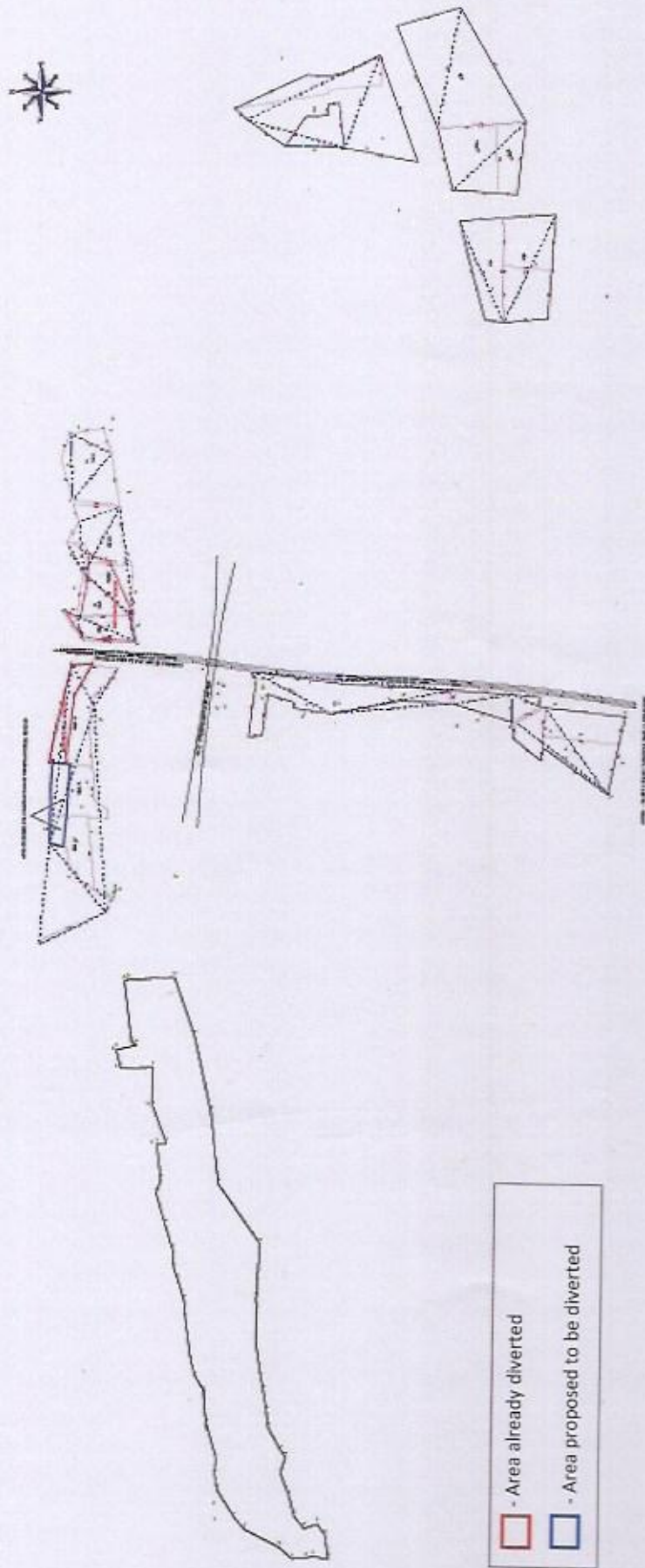
Yours faithfully,



District Forest Officer
Coimbatore Division.

Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Coimbatore Circle Coimbatore – 43.

THE MAP SHOWS THE CA AREA PROPOSED TO BE DIVERTED AND AREAS ALREADY DIVERTED



- Area already diverted
- Area proposed to be diverted

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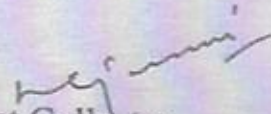
Office of the District Collector,
Coimbatore.

Ref. No. 17368/20208/B3

Dated : 23 .02.2021

CERTIFICATE

This is Certified that the land allotted in SF No 499/3 of Thenkarai Village, measuring an extant of 3 Acre, as alternate Land is free from encroachment and there is no case pending in respect of the above land.


District Collector,
Coimbatore.

TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Thiru D.Durairasu, IFS.,
District Forest Officer,
Coimbatore Division,
Coimbatore-18.

To
The Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests,
Chennai-15.
Through the Conservator of Forests,
Coimbatore Circle, Coimbatore-18.

Ref.No.1818/92/D, dated: .11.2001.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 68.15 Ha. of Forest
Land in Walayar R.F. to M/s.ACC
Ltd., for quarrying limestone.

FLAP (A)

Ref: Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests Lr.No.44125/84/FS3
dt.7.11.2000.

I submit herewith with the detailed report
covering all the points raised in the Government Lr.No.
22066/FR.X/98/14 dt.1.2.2000 and Govt. D.O.Lr.No.22066/FR.10
98, dt.13.10.2000.

- 1) List of Building constructed in the leased area enclosed.
- 2) The map showing the itemwise utilisation of the project area of 65.18 ha. boundary pillars duly numbered and adjoining land used is enclosed.
- 3) As requested the copy of the approved micro plan will be obtained from the User Agency and submitted shortly.
- 4) The Environment clearance as per EIA notification dated: 27.1.94, the production figure of the limestone for mines during the last ^{seven} ~~five~~ years period are given below:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	
1993-94	5,87,000	tonnes
1994-95	6,18,000	"
1995-96	6,45,000	"
1996-97	6,16,000	"
1997-98	6,08,000	"
1998-99 upto march	6,05,415	"
1999-2000	6,05,741	"

II.a) The ACC User Agency has handed over an area of 65.18 ha. of non-forest land to Forest Department with Afforestation during 1987. Further it is submitted that an extent of 65.8 ha. (Nellithurai R.F. 45 ha. Milegul Poromboke land 20.8 ha.) has been planted with suitable species during 2001-02.

For getting allotment of funds under Compensatory Afforestation programme a sum of Rs.14.1 lakhs has been allotted under Tamilnadu Forest Development Fund to Coimbatore Division in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests No.TS4/22171/99 dated:24.4.2001. Out of 14.1 lakhs 9.87 lakhs ment for ACC. L.O.C. is ~~is~~ awaited ^{for this work} as soon as L.O.C. is received financial target will be achieved in full without any shortfall during 2001-02.

C) The User Agency has completed the plantation on old dumps after benching the ~~the~~ same suitable under guidance of the forest officials. Moreover even at our active existing dumps, the User Agency has benched 60% of the area during the year and afforested the same survival rate of the same is 97%. Which has been seen by Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) Mr.J.N.Saxena and appreciated.

The following ^{Messers} messers as strictly adhere to mitigate environmental degradation.

1. Afforestation on waste dumps.
2. Plantation of revenue trees ~~fall~~ along the hanlage road.
3. Wet drilling to suppress dust at its source of generation.
4. Hanlage road is throughly the wetted by mobile water tanker as well as permentaly laid sprinklers.
5. Powerful sprinklers are provided at crusher dumping hopper to wet material/ while dumping from dumpers and also at every transfer points to suppress dust at its source of generation.

6. Mega rock breaker is deployed i.e. second in the country, which has almost eliminated Secondary blasting, resulting reduction of noise, vibration and dust.

7. Also ^{use} ~~use~~ latest out of blasting raydet technology to mitigate impact of blasting.

Further, necessary instructions ^{have} been issued to the subordinates to inspect the project area frequently and monitores, so that the haphazard dumping of soil over burden, etc. does not result in encroachment on adjoining Forest land which support good tree cover. The User Agency already given assurance that no mining activities ~~it should~~ ^{would} be carried out ~~inside~~ out side demargated area.

D) A approach road to the mine does not farm part of 65.18 ha area diverted by Government of India. The proposal for diversion ~~for~~ Forest Area for the approach road under sec. 2 of ~~Forest~~ Forest Conservation Act 1980 has been submitted to Government in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref.No.TS3/27490/89 dt.18.8.2000,for an extent of 1.4 ha in Bolampatty R.F.

The Government of Tamilnadu has rejected the stating that it will be heindrance to the environment vide Govt.lr.No.5251/FII/2000-3 dt.31.7.2000. Considering the necessity the user agency utilise the approach road for mining operation still. Since it will ~~not~~ not affect the environment. The user agency has utilised the road since 1964 by remitting annual permit fee covering 21(d) permit.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Fogests in PCCF ref.No. 21/20615/2001-1 ^{17.7.2001} has fixed permit fee security deposit etc., for using the forest road by private parties. in this case the same procedure may be followed.

Yours faithfully,

District Forest Officer.
Coimbatore Division.

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E) The User Agency has informed that they have not carried out any moderation or expansion in the past 5 years and that as per the EIA notification dt.27.1.94 a project ~~proponent~~ proponent should seek environment clearance only in case of expansion/~~modernization~~ modernization activities or planed for project listed in schedule-I, to the notification where cement is appearing in item No.27 and are to required to seek environment clearance for EIA unless there is expansion. However the user agencies has informed that they have obtained consent from the Tamilnadu Polution Control Board for the maning activities at Walayar mines.

Yours faithfully,

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Coimbatore Division,
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He is requested to inform the

Subordinate to inform the A.C.C Areas

frequently & report of any illicit encroachment is
noting.

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