

TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
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Chennai Circle, Chennai-6.

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

Ref. No. 1728/2016/ D dated: 28.05.2019

Sir,

Sub: FORESTS – Kancheepuram District – Chengalpattu Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.64 Ha in Nallur Reserved Forests for widening the existing approach road leading to Sri Sairam Engineering College and other Educational Institutions managed by M/s.Sapthagiri Educational Trust - Report submitted - Regarding.

- Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency – Project Proponent Thiru.Sai Prakash Leo Muthu CEO of M/s.Sri Sai Ram Educational Trust, Sai Bhavan, No.318 Madley Road, T.Nagar, Chennai -17 Dt.26.02.2015 (Online Proposal No.FP/TN/Road/ 17771/2016)
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Department) Chennai -15 Ref.No.TS3/6778/16 Dt.06.08.2018, 10.11.2018 & 28.03.2019

With reference to the above, I submit the clarification as called for in the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests 2nd cited is as follows.

Sl. No	PCCF's Query	DFO's Reply	CCF's reply
a	In Part II of Form A, under Section 2, 3, and 4 the District Forest Officer has mentioned that area of forest land proposed for diversion is 0.64, where as in site inspection report forest area diversion recommended for 0.56 Ha only. This has to be clarified.	DFO's recommendation is for diversion of 0.56 Ha Only instead of 0.64 Ha as requested in proposal. Additional 0.08 ha is requested for construction of gate in future which is avoidable and does not pertain to bare minimum requirement for the project which is the extension of existing college road. Hence the recommendation is only for 0.56 Ha.	It has already been recommended for diversion of 0.64 ha (700 mts x 8 mts =5600M ² or 0.56 ha) +(40 mts x20 mts =800 M ² or 0.08 ha) as this is the only road used by the User Agency and as 10500 students are studying whose future will be at stake and in lieu of diversion of 0.84 ha during 2004,1.68 ha of area in S.No 216 & 218 in

			<p>Perunthandalam village was already given as CA land. Apart from that the User Agency ready to provide double the extent of non – forestry land over an extent of 1.28 ha of Perunthandalam village in S.No 218/2 part adjoining to the Anjur RF in Chengalpattu Division, Kanche epuram. Additional 0.08 ha of area near the entrance which they are asking now is for space for movement of students and vehicles at the entrance to college which is justified. This is not a part of previous allowed area & it is a new area, but it will be required keeping in view the size of institution and no of students studying and their requirements. Hence additional area over an extent of 0.08 ha is justified.</p>																				
<p>b.</p>	<p>In the species wise details of trees available in the project area, details of 131 trees alone furnished. But as per CA scheme proposed by the District Forest Officer, number of trees to be felled reported as 149 trees. Hence table of trees available has to be revised by the District Forest Officer. Further the District Forest Officer has not specified the status of vegetation to be felled.</p>	<p>The total no of trees to be felled is 134 in 0.56 Ha (Recommended by DFO) and 15 in 0.08 Ha (Not Recommended by DFO). The girth classes are appended herewith.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="635 1349 1058 1493"> <tr> <td>0-</td> <td>31</td> <td>61</td> <td>91-</td> <td>121-150</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>120</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>60</td> <td>90</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>18</td> <td>48</td> <td>58</td> <td>17</td> <td>8</td> </tr> </table> <p>The status of vegetation to be felled is a man-made plantation which was raised during 1985.</p>	0-	31	61	91-	121-150	30	-	-	120			60	90			18	48	58	17	8	<p>As per my recommendation, 149 nos of trees to be felled in 0.64 ha. Hence, CA scheme proposed by the District Forest Officer may be accepted.</p>
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<p>c.</p>	<p>As per District Forest Officers report, approach road in the alternate area – other</p>	<p>Approach road is laid in another area instead of originally</p>																					

	<p>than orders obtained under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 alignment path has been carried out during 2004. But period of work done i.e., utilization has been reported as one year.</p>	<p>diverted area along right of way no.6. The period of work done is 2004 when the wrong road was laid and blacktopped illegally.</p>	
d	<p>For the violation, the District Forest Officer has stated that eviction notice has been issued. Details of action taken on the issue has not been reported</p>	<p>Eviction notice has been last issued by Forest Range Officer, Sriperumbudur on 20.02.19.</p>	<p>Already this issue was reported to the Government and the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), GOI, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Regional Office (South Eastern Zone) Chennai that it is a fit case for taking action against User Agency under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Chennai ref TS3/28217/2000 dated 11.05.2018.</p>
e.	<p>The District Forest Officer has not mentioned anything about the CA and certificate regarding acceptance as CA land, CA Scheme for the CA land have not been furnished. This should be furnished.</p>	<p>The certificate as required for CA has already been furnished however copy of the same is enclosed</p>	<p>CA land is not necessary. As the area requested for diversion is below 1 Ha. Degraded forest area has been selected to carry out compensatory afforestation work in Mannur RF over an area of 1.28 Ha. However in Ir dated 22.01.2019, the User Agency is ready to provide double the extent of non -</p>

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f.	The District Forest Officer may be informed to furnish detailed geo-reference map prepared for the Nallur RF indicating the right of way allowed in the settlement process (for each admitted right of way) its, length and width, path type allowed and the present condition of such paths along with roads formed under Forest Conservation Act 1980 with its length, width, present condition etc.,	<p>The right of way allowed in Nallur RF have been marked in the RF sketch and submitted herewith.</p> <p>ROW 1 : Length- width, path type allowed – Mud road/ cart path Present condition : not used/ black topped/</p> <p>Right of way No.1</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="644 893 1063 1307"> <tr> <td>Road allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Sriperumbudur – Poonthandalam</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Road length, width</td> <td>:</td> <td>Length – 1700 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Path type allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Cart track</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Present condition</td> <td>:</td> <td>1. 1300 Mtrs length – Mud road - not used</td> </tr> <tr> <td>:</td> <td>2. 400 Mtrs length road -- black top road - used</td> </tr> </table> <p>Right of way No.2</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="644 1336 1063 1616"> <tr> <td>Road allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Nallur – Chennai</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Road length, width</td> <td>:</td> <td>Length – 1040 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Path type allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Cart track</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Present condition</td> <td>:</td> <td>Mud road – used.</td> </tr> </table> <p>Right of way No.3</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="644 1645 1063 1926"> <tr> <td>Road allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Nallur – Nandhampakkam</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Road length, width</td> <td>:</td> <td>Length – 1000 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Path type allowed</td> <td>:</td> <td>Cart track</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Present condition</td> <td>:</td> <td>Mud road – used.</td> </tr> </table>	Road allowed	:	Sriperumbudur – Poonthandalam	Road length, width	:	Length – 1700 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet	Path type allowed	:	Cart track	Present condition	:	1. 1300 Mtrs length – Mud road - not used	:	2. 400 Mtrs length road -- black top road - used	Road allowed	:	Nallur – Chennai	Road length, width	:	Length – 1040 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet	Path type allowed	:	Cart track	Present condition	:	Mud road – used.	Road allowed	:	Nallur – Nandhampakkam	Road length, width	:	Length – 1000 Mtrs Width – 12 Feet	Path type allowed	:	Cart track	Present condition	:	Mud road – used.	
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	District Forest Officer, right of way No.6 marked is not joined with any accessible road link (starting and end points not marked) right of way no .6 path should be shown fully with its length in the field.	been duly marked and submitted herewith. In additional attachments in Part II of application.	
h	The District Forest Officer has recommended 0.56 ha of forest land as minimum requirement of the project and additional area of 0.08 ha requested by the User agency cannot be considered very essential, since this is required towards their gate considering future requirement. Forest area diversions may be considered for minimum area requirement and unavoidable circumstances only. The CCF is requested to justify the recommendation of 0.64 ha of forest land for diversion.		The details as furnished under question "a" is deemed fit for this

Yours faithfully

K. P. Srinivasan
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Chennai Circle, Chennai - 06.

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Copy to the District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Kancheepuram in connection with his ref D/1283/2016 dated 02.05.2019 & 20.05.2019.