



ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS(FR.10)  
DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT,  
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Letter No.20575/FR.10/2018 - 6, Dated: 01.02.2019

From  
Thiru. Shambu Kallollikar, I.A.S.,  
Principal Secretary to Government.

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

Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Tirunelveli Circle /  
Thoothukudi Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.08 ha of  
forest land for 20 MGD Closed circuit Scheme for Water supply  
scheme to Thermal Power Project, SIPCOT complex, Heavy water  
plant and other industries in Thoothukudi District for drinking and  
industrial purpose in favour of Executive Engineer, TWAD Board,  
Thoothukudi - Regarding.

Ref: 1. From Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Letter  
No.TS4/24793/2018, dated 22.10.2018.  
2. Government letter No.20575/FR.10/2018-1, dated 19.11.2018.  
3. From Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Letter  
No.TS4/24793/2018, dated 23.01.2019.

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I am directed to invite your attention to the reference third cited and to request you to furnish the following details to Government immediately:-

- i. Why the NGT case No.128 of 2017 relating to this issue is not reported.
- ii. With reference to SI.No.1 of the reply furnished, it may be stated whether the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has accepted the explanation furnished by Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board.
- iii. With reference to SI.No.2 of the reply furnished, it is mentioned that the Genuineness details of utilization of Tamirabarani Water as per G.O.(Ms) No.18, Environment and Forests (FR.10) Department, dated 07.03.2008 was called for. However, The TWAD Board has reported that the Government of Tamil Nadu had already issued order vide G.O.Ms.No.1211, dated 20.07.1972 and based on which the TWAD Board is supplying Tamirabarani water to industries as allocated in Government order genuinely. Hence, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests may offer his specific comments in this regard.

- iv. With reference to Sl.No.4, when it has been reported that the User Agency has deposited Rs.1,97,468/- as penalty amount in CAMPA Account, why the violation was not uploaded in Part II of Form A of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

*A. R. Suresh*

11/12/19

for Principal Secretary to Governemnt.

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11/12/19