C.No.TS3/39364/2021

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Forest Head Quarters Building, Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai-32.

Dated: 02.02.2023.

- Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Proposal for diversion of 0.686 ha of forest land in Paranur RF for relaying and periodical maintenance of GST road to Vadagal via Chettipuniyam road km 1/314-2/0 in Chengalpattu District – Proposal forwarded -Regarding.
- Ref 1 Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu -Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/148740/2021, dated 24.10.2021, and Re-submission of revised proposal on 05.12.2021 and 03.01.2022
  - 2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. TS3/39364/2021 dated 21.02.2022
  - 3 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division on 25.08.2022
  - 4 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle on 11.10.2022 and EDS reply dated 14.12.2022
  - 5 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. TS3/39364/2021 dated 30.12.2022
  - 6 Resubmission of the proposal by the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle on 18.01.2022 - Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle C. No. 6276/2022/D, dated 18.01.2023

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

- 1) Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Rural Roads, Chengalpattu under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.72 ha of forest land in Paranur RF for relaying and periodical maintenance of GST road to Vadagal via Chettipuniyam road km 1/280-2/0 in Chengalpattu District, the Conservator of Forests has forwarded the proposal vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited and submitted the EDS reply in the reference 6<sup>th</sup> cited above.
- v) In the references 6<sup>th</sup> cited, the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle has resubmitted the proposal and furnished the hard copy of the proposal.
- a) Forest clearance proposal has been furnished by the user agency for diversion of 0.72 ha of forest land with Carriage way @ 7.00m width and Shoulders width @ 1.50 m on either side for 720m length road lies in forest area.

The District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division has forwarded the forest clearance proposal for diversion of 0.686 ha of forest land with Carriage way @ 7.00m width and Shoulders width @ 1.50 m on either side for 686m length road lies in forest area of Paranur Reserved Forests and necessary correction has also been made in the Part-I of Form-A by the user agency.

However, in the EDS reply uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division and Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle have reported the following.

- i) Right of way No. 4 to a length of 1089.20m with 12 feet wide is there.
- ii) The road was already laid in past and periodical maintenance of GST road to Vadagal road km 1/314-2/0 and thus this proposal is for relaying and periodical maintenance.
- ii) Present condition of road length 1089.20m and 5.50m road width of BT portion and 1.00m wide on either side of shoulder width and the Divisional Engineer Highways N&RR, Chengalpattu has applied for forest land diversion of same area. Hence it does not involve any expansion work of road.
- iv) User agency has uploaded Survey of India topo sheet of year 2005. As per Survey of India topo sheet No. 57P/13 of 1971 and 57P/4 of 1972 years, the road is not mentioned, thus it cannot be ascertained whether the road was laid before 1980.

Report furnished in the EDS reply on the length and width of the road is contrary to the details furnished in the proposal and site inspection report and recommendations of the proposal.

The Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle is requested to submit the revised and corrected details on the proposal urgently.

> Sd/- V. Karunapriya, For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)

To
The Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai for necessary follow up action.
Copy to the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division, Kancheepuram
Copy to the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Rural Roads,
No. B-75, Alagesan Nagar, Chengalpattu, Pin code 603 001. (User agency)

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