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ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE
& FOREST(FR.10) DEPARTMENT,
SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI 9.

Letter No.1274/FR.10/2023-1, dated 24.03.2023

From
Thiru.J.Mohanraman, B.Sc., B.Ed.,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To
✓ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Chennai-32.

Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Trichy Circle / Pudukkottai Division - Proposal (FP/TN/OFC/119342/2021) for diversion of 0.0107 ha. of forest land for laying of underground OFC along Sokkanathapuram to Maravamadurai route through forest areas in Ammankurichi Reserved Forest in Pudukkottai District in favour of the Jio Digital Fibre Private Limited, Chennai - Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Head of Forest Force), Letter No.TS4/2125/2021, dated 24.02.2023.

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I am directed to invite your attention to the reference cited and to state that as per Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 guidelines under special provisions for Compensatory Afforestation for certain categories of schemes, Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained at the cost of user agency on degraded forest land twice in extent of forest area diverted for laying of telephone / optical fiber cable. However, no Compensatory Afforestation scheme has been proposed in the subject proposal. I am, therefore to request you to clarify the reason for non-submission of Compensatory Afforestation scheme for the subject proposal.

2. Further, I am directed to state that, you have sent the District Collector's Certificate in respect of Forest Rights Act, 2006 without Full Name of the District Collector. I am, therefore directed to request you to obtain and send the original certificate of the District Collector, Pudukkottai District with his full name as per the format prescribed in Form-I for linear projects in the Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, to Government, as already instructed vide Government letter No.17883/FR.10/2022-1,dated 01.11.2022, for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

M. Megala
27/3/2023

for Deputy Secretary to Government

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27/3/23