## Letter No. 17883/FR.10/2022 - 2, dated 25.04.2023

From Thiru.T.Ritto Cyriac, I.F.S., Special Secretary (Forests).

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

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Srivilliputthur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai Circle / Madurai Division – Proposal (FP/TN/Road/34073/2018) for diversion of forest land of 0.1275 ha of forest land in Mannadimangalam Reserved Forests for formation of new black top road from Vikkiramangalam-Kadupatti village in favour of Block Development Officer, Vadipatti Panchayat Union, Vadipatti – Regarding.

Ref: Your letter No.TS4/25987/2018, dated 19.10.2022.

I am directed to invite your attention to the reference cited, wherein you have sent the proposal in para 3 (xi), the District Forest Officer has reported that no Compensatory Afforestation scheme has been proposed as the area required for the project is less than one ha. (i.e. 0.1275 ha.) and no tree felling is involved. 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 Construction of link subject proposal. I am, therefore to request you to clarify the reason for non-submission of Compensatory Afforestation scheme for the subject proposal.

Yours faithfully,

M. Mogolo 25/4/2023 for Special Secretary (Forests)

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