TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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To

Thiru.Naga Sathish Gidijala, I.F.S., District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Kancheepuram 631 501. The Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Construction and Maintenance, 2, Periyar Nagar, Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram District PIN 603 001.

C.No.D/184/19 Dt.06.05.2019

Sir,

Sub: FORESTS - Kancheepuram District - Chengalpattu Division - Proposal for diversion of 10.23 Ha of forest land in Mannur RF, Sengundram RF and Kondamangalam RF of Kancheepuram Forest Division for forming peripheral road connecting Mahabalipuram to Ennore Port (Via) Singaperumankoil, Sriperumbudur, Thiruvallur, Thamaraipakkam, Periyapalayam, Puduvoyal and Kattupalli - Online proposal report called for Regarding.

Ref: Online application uploaded by the User Agency – The Divisional Engineer, Highways, Construction and Maintenance Division, Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram Proposal No.FP/TN/Road/24465/17

In the reference 1st cited, the Divisional Engineer, Highways Department, Construction and Maintenance, Chengalpattu has uploaded an online application under sec 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for a diversion of 10.23 Ha of forest land in Mannur RF, Sengundram RF and Kondamangalam RF of Kancheepuram Forest Division for forming peripheral road connecting Mahabalipuram to Ennore Port (Via) Singaperumankoil, Sriperumbudur, Thiruvallur, Thamaraipakkam, Periyapalayam, Puduvoyal and Kattupalli.

In the application, GPS co-ordinates given in the GPS reading map are mis-matching with the GPS points in the field for Mannur RF. The same may be corrected and the new GPS reading map can be re-uploaded with exact readings.

In the application by user agency it was given that an alternative alignment for the proposed Chennai peripheral road, by passing Sengundram RF was examined. However, no details were given with respect to the alternate alignment. You are requested to provide the justification on why the alternate alignment was rejected even through it by-passes the RF, there-by reducing the fragmentation of RF.

You are also requested to provide the cost benefit analysis for the alternate alignment proposed in the application by user agency and any steps taken to accept the alternate alignment before proposing the alignment which involves diversion of forest land in Sengundram RF and Kondamangalam RF.

> District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Kancheepuram.

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