

C.No.TS3/45980/2021

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

Dated: 09.06.2023.

Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of 4.27 ha of forest land in Social Forestry plantation area in Othivakkam for erection of 230 kv DC line on MC tower by making LILO of existing Ottiyambakkam to Omega feeder 2 at the proposed Mambakkam 230/110 kv Substation in Chengalpattu District – Proposal forwarded by the Circle through on-line - Regarding.

- Ref**
- 1 Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Executive Engineer, TANTRANSOCO, General Construction Circle II, 230 kv GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennai 16 - Proposal No. FP/TN/Trans/150320/2021, dated 23.12.2021 and resubmission of proposal on 11.01.2022 and 09.02.2022
 - 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division on 18.04.2022 and resubmission of proposal on 25.10.2022, 07.11.2022 and 29.11.2022
 - 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle on 10.08.2022 and Resubmission of proposal by the Conservator of Forest, Chennai Circle on 16.09.2022, 08.11.2022 and 06.12.2022
 - 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. TS3/45980/2021 dated 07.09.2022 and 27.09.2022
 - 5 Government letter No. 19498/FR.10/2022-2 dated 29.05.2023

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

A copy of Government letter 5th cited along with a copy of Government of India, MoEF&CC, IRO Chennai letter No. 4-TNB100/2023/CHN/579, dated 11.05.2023 is enclosed herewith.

The District Forest Officer may be informed to rectify the shortcomings noticed on the proposal and to propose the plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) underneath the transmission line and to resubmit the proposal by uploading correct kml file, CA scheme details, CA scheme document and Dwarf species proposal in the web portal urgently.

Instructions issued by the Government of India to ensure the compliance of Government of India guidelines should be followed without fail.

Encl : As stated above.


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

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Kancheepuram Division, Kancheepuram for necessary follow up action.

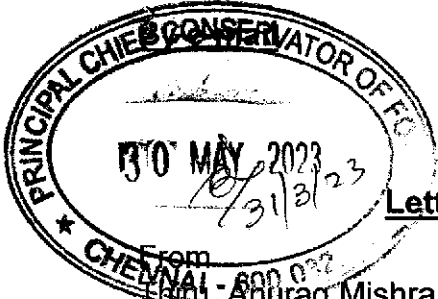
Copy to the Executive Engineer, TANTRANSO, General Construction Circle II, 230 kv GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennai 16. (User agency)

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Senior Draughting Officer.

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

Letter No.19498/FR.10/2022-2, dated 29.05.2023

From
Anurag Mishra, IFS.,
Special Secretary (Environment, Climate Change)

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

Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal (FP/TN/Trans/150320/2021) for diversion of 4.27 ha of forest land in Social Forestry plantation area in Othivakkam for erection of 230 kv DC line on MC tower by making LILO of existing Ottiyambakkam to Omega feeder 2 at the proposed Mambakkam 230/110 kv Substation in Chengalpattu District in favour of the Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Transmission Corporation Limited, General Construction Circle II, 230 kv GIS SS Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Alandur, Chennai – Certain details - Requested - Regarding.

- Ref: 1. Your Letter No.TS3/45980/2021, dated 23.12.2022.
2. Government letter No.19498/FR.10/2022-1, dated 23.03.2023.
3. From the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (C), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Chennai, letter F.No.4-TNB100/2023/ CHN/579, dated 11.05.2023

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I am directed to enclose a copy of the Government of India's letter third cited and to request you to rectify the discrepancies as indicated therein and upload the correct details and documens along with the plantation proposal as called for therein, to Government immediately, so as to forward the same to the Government of India.

2. I am also to request you to instruct all field officials to ensure compliance of Government of India's guidelines while processing of Forest Clearance proposals in future, so as to avoid unwarranted EDS and reduce processing time and issue timely approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or any such orders as the case may be.

Yours faithfully,

A. Anurag

for Special Secretary (Environment, Climate Change)

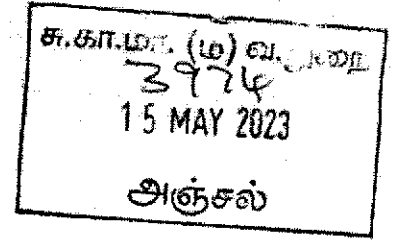
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Date 11th May, 2023

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu,
Environment & Forests Department,
Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai - 600 009

Subject: Diversion of 4.27 ha of forest land in Social Forestry plantation area in Othivakkam for erection of 230 KV DC line on MC tower by making LILO of existing Ottiyambakkam to Omega Feeder 2 at the proposed Mambakkam 230/110 KV substation in Chengalpattu Division in favour of the Executive Engineer, TANTRANSCO, General Construction Circle II, 230 KV GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennai.-Reg

Reference: The State Government's letter No.19498/FR.10/2022-1 dated 23.03.2023 and online application No.FP/TN/TRANS/150320/2021

Sir,

Please refer to the subject and reference cited and to inform that, the details of Degraded (Forest Area identified for CA purpose has been examined and found that *DFO under PART II at SI No 13(i) it is mentioned that the area identified for CA as 4.27 ha but actual area proposed for CA is 8.54 ha and kml file for 2.83 ha of DFL has been uploaded instead of 8.54 ha.*)

In view of the, I am directed to request the State Government to re-examine the matter and rectify the discrepancies and upload correct details and documents in the online proposal and proposal for plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal species) underneath the transmission line may also require to be submitted.)

Further, it is to bring to your kind notice that, (details like CA area, kml file etc are very vital information / documents required for processing the proposal under FCA, 1980 and it is duty of the

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DFO concerned and all higher processing authorities at State Government to ensure completeness of the proposal before forwarding the proposal(s) to the Central Government. Hence, the State Government may kindly issue suitable instructions to all field officials to ensure compliance of GoI guidelines while processing of FC proposals in future so as to avoid unwarranted EDS and reduce processing time and issue timely approval under FCA, 1980 or any such orders as the case may be.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(K.Karthikeyan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, Guindy, Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai - 32
2. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, Guindy Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai - 32
3. Tamil Nadu Transmission Corporation Limited, O/O Superintending Engineer General Construction Circle-Ii Tantransco, 230kv GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennai- 600001 eetlcgcc2cni@tnebnet.org
4. Guard File.

Sd/-

(K.Karthikeyan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)