O/o. the Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai – 6. Dated: 20.06.2023

## Tmt. K. Geethanjali, IFS., Chief Conservator of Forests

Sub: Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Chengalpattu Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 4.27 Ha. of forest land in Social Forestry Plantation area in Ottivakkam 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 through online - Additional details called for – Reg.

- Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency The Executive Engineer, TRNTRANSCO, Chennai -16 Proposal No.FP/TN/Trans/150320/2021.
  - 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Department), Ref.No.TS3/45980/2021, Dt.22.02.2022.
  - 3. District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Ref. No.497/2021/D, Dt: 18.04.2022.
  - 4. This Office Ref. No.2729/2022/D, Dated: 10.08.2022.
  - 5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Department), Ref.No.TS3/45980/2021, Dt.07.09.2022.
  - 6. District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Ref. No.497/2021/D, Dt: 17.10.2022.
  - 7. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Department), Ref.No.TS3/45980/2021, Dt.16.11.2022.
  - 8. Government of India, MoEF, Letter No.4-TNB100/2023/CHN/579, Dated: 11.05.2023.
  - 9. Special Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change & Forest (FR.10) Department, Chennai, Letter No.19498/FR.10/2022-2, Dated: 29.05.2023.
  - 10. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force), Ref.No.TS3/45980/2021, Dt.09.06.2023.

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A copy of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai letter 10<sup>th</sup> cited along with Government of India letter 8<sup>th</sup> cited are enclosed herewith. The District Forest Officer is requested to rectify the shortcomings noticed and to propose the planting of dwarf trees species (preferably medicinal plants)

underneath the transmission line and to resubmit the proposal by uploading the correct KML file, CA scheme details, CA scheme document and dwarf species proposal in the web-portal at the earliest and report submitted to this office.

Receipt of this reference may please be acknowledged.

Encl: As above.

Sd/- K. Geethanjali, Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai Circle, Chennai.

To

The District Forest Officer, Chengalpattu Division, Kancheepuram.

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Senior Draughting Officer

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 I Online forest clearance proposal uploaded by the Executive Engineer, TANTRANSCO, 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 upleaded 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

Attention of the Chief Conservator of Forests is invited to the references cited. A copy of Government letter 5<sup>th</sup> 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 poral 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, TANTRANSCO, General Construction Circle II, 230 kv GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennai 16. (User agency)

/ True copy / By order /

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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

Anurag Mishra, IFS.,

Special Secretary (Environment, Climate Change)

To
/ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Chennal - 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, Chennal - 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,

for Special Secretary (Environment, Climate Change)

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The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu, Environment & Forests Department, Secretariat, Fort St. George Chennal - 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 Ottivambakkam 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, Chennal.-Rec

Reference: The State Government's letter No.19498/Fk.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 kmi 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

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 Gol 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:

- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, Guindy, Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai - 32
- 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, Chennal – 32

3. Tamil Nadu Transmission Corporation Limited, O/O Superintending Engineer General Construction Circle-Ii Tantransco,230kv GIS SS TNEB, Alandur, Chennal- 600001 eet/cgcc2cni@tnebnet.org

A. Guard File.

Sd/-

(K.Karthikeyan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

