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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
Thiru. 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 Mishra

for Special Secretary (Environment, Climate Change)

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F.No.4-TNB100/2023-CHN/579
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, TANTRANSO, 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 Sl 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)

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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)