

C.No.TS3/1022/2021

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests (Head of Forest Force),
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet, Chennai-15.

Dated: 06.07.2022.

Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Revised online forest clearance proposal for diversion of 0.90 ha of forest land in Ponnaiyar RF for construction of fuse plug pertaining to Thandarampattu Taluk in Tiruvannamalai District – Proposal forwarded - Regarding.

- Ref 1 Online application uploaded by the Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Sathanur Dam Tiruvannamalai District Proposal No. FP/TN/IRRIG/118339/ 2021, dated 03.01.2021 and resubmission of proposal on 26.01.2021 and 27.02.2021
- 2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/1022/2021, dated 23.03.2021
- 3 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Tiruvannamalai Division on 23.03.2022
- 4 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle on 04.05.2022
- 5 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/1022/2021, dated 06.06.2022
- 6 Resubmission of proposal by the Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle on 20.06.2022

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

Shortcomings noticed on the forest area diversion proposal forwarded by the Conservator of Forests vide reference 4th cited had been informed vide Principal Chief Conservator of Forests reference 5th cited for further action.

In the reference 6th cited, the Conservator of Forests has reported that rectifications has been made by the District Forest Officer, Tiruvannamalai Division and the proposal has been resubmitted through online.

Following shortcomings are noticed.

- 1) In this project proposal area, 71 number of spontaneously grown trees have been enumerated and reported that they needs to be felled. For the felling of 71 number of trees compensatory afforestation has been proposed for planting of 1800 number of trees in the identified 1.80 ha degraded forest area in Pinjur RF C-Block and proposed CA scheme at a cost of Rs. 57,16,769/-

As per the guidelines issued under Para 2.5 of Chapter 2 of Compensatory afforestation under the hand book of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 issued by the Government of India during March 2019, Compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained at the cost of user agency on degraded forest land twice in extent of forest area proposed for diversion.

i) In the CA scheme proposed, provision has been made for water augmentation work of construction of Check dam at a cost of Rs. 6.00 lakhs has been proposed. Justification for the check dam work in the identified CA scheme area has not been reported. This item may be removed.

ii) Escalation cost in the nursery raising, planting and 1st year maintenance works not provided.

iii) From 2nd year maintenance work to 10 year maintenance period, escalation cost provided in the work cost estimate itself and again escalation cost added in the abstract of CA scheme. This needs to be deleted.

v) For the planting of 1800 number of plants, engagement of four protection watcher has been provided. This seems to be not in order and needs revision.

Above shortcomings may be rectified and hard copy of the proposal in triplicate copy may be furnished early.

The Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle is requested to thoroughly scrutinize the Compensatory Afforestation proposal before sending.

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

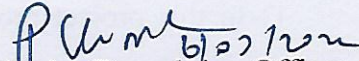
To
The Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle, Vellore.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Tiruvannamalai Division, Tiruvannamalai.

Copy to the Assistant Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Sathanur Dam, Tiruvannamalai District, Pin code 606070. (User Agency)

Copy to the Executive Engineer, WRD, Middle Pennaiyar Basin Division, Tiruvannamalai.

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Senior Draughting Officer.