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Letter No. 6861/FR.10/2020-2, Dated: 14.08.2020

From  
Dr. Sandeep Saxena, I.A.S.,  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forests Force),  
Chennai-15.(w.e)

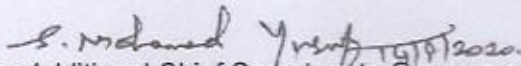
Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Villupuram Circle / Division – Diversion of 16.00 ha. of forest land in Koonimedu Reserved Land for setting up desalination plant at Koonimedu village for CWSS in Villupuram District – in favour of Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, Kallakurichi District – Regarding.

Ref: 1. Your Letter No.TS3/61585/2019, dated 27.05.2020.  
2. Government letter No.6861/FR.10/2020-1, Dated: 20.07.2020.  
3. From the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Letter F.No.4-TNC061/2020-CHN/632, Dated: 05.08.2020.

I am directed to enclose a copy of the letter third cited from the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and request you to furnish the additional information / documents / clarifications called for therein to Government on or before 14.08.2020 so as to forward the same to Government of India for placing the proposal in REC meeting on 14.08.2020.

Yours faithfully,

  
for Additional Chief Secretary to Government.



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F.No. 4-TNC061/2020-CHN/ 632

Dated 05<sup>th</sup> August, 2020

To

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

Subject: Diversion of 16.00 ha of forest land in Koonimedu Reserved land for setting up of desalination plant at Koonimedu Village for combined water supply scheme (CWSS) to Villupuram District in favor of Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, Kallakurichi District- Additional Information required-reg

Sir,

Please refer to the subject and State Government letter. No.6861/FR.10/ 2020-1 dated 20.07.2020 and I am directed to request to furnish following additional information / documents / clarification at the earliest to consider the subject proposal under FCA, 1980;

- (i) In online application, DFO reported that 2319 number of trees or enumerated in the forest area proposed for diversion. However, in all other documents, it has been mentioned to fell 2092 number of trees. Hence actual number of trees exist in the area and number of trees to be felled may be reported;
- (ii) Status of obtaining of CRZ clearance may be reported;
- (iii) Map clearly depicting the proposed component wise details may be furnished;
- (iv) Soil conservation plan to prevent soil erosion may be prepared and furnish the same;
- (v) Undertaking from the UA to effect that the desalinated water will be utilized for drinking water purpose only;
- (vi) The UA proposed 7.5 ha (half of the forest area proposed for diversion) for green belt area and for future expansion. Hence, DFO may be directed to rework on barest minimum forest area required for the project;
- (vii) UA proposed 16 ha of forest area in the middle of the forest block and which may leads to fragmentation and difficult for protection and management of forest area. Hence, may kindly resurvey the area and may propose actual/ barest minimum forest area in one side of the forest area.

Revised map dually countersigned by the DFO concerned may be uploaded in the online application and submit the same.

It is to inform that, the subject proposal is proposed to be placed before next REC meeting on 14.08.2020. Hence, may kindly provide the above information at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

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(L.Chandrasekar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, No.1, Jeenis Road, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.
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3. Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, P.F Division, No.3, GST Road, Tindivanam Po, Villupuram District Tamil Nadu-604001

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