

C.No.TS3/61585/2019

By on-line / E-mail

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

Dated: 14 .08.2020.

Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Villupuram Circle/ Villupuram Forest Division – Setting up desalination plant at Koonimedu village for combined water supply scheme to Villupuram and Tindivanam Municipalities, 2 town panchayats, 692 rural habitations in 5 unions and Govt. Medical College and Hospital at Mundiypakkam in Villupuram District – Diversion of 16.00 ha of forest area in Koonimedi Reserved Land requested - Online Submission of proposal – Additional information requested by the Government of India - Regarding.

- Ref 1 Online application uploaded by the User Agency - Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board represented by Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, P.F. Division. No. 3, GST Road, Tindivanam PO, Villupuram District - Proposal No. FP/TN/Water/42977/2019
- 2 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Villupuram Division on 10.04.2020
- 3 Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle and Conservator of Forests (i/c), Villupuram Circle on 05.05.2020.
- 4 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests C. No. TS3/61585/2019, dated 27.05.2020
- 5 Government letter No. 6861/FR.10/2020-1, dated 20.07.2020
- 6 Government of India letter F. No. 4-TNC061/2020-CHN/632, dated 05.08.2020

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Attention of the Conservator of Forests, Villupuram Circle is invited to the references cited.

Online application uploaded by Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board represented by Executive Engineer, TWAD Board, P.F. Division. No. 3, GST Road, Tindivanam PO, Villupuram District under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 16.00 ha of forest area in Koonimedi Reserved Land in Villupuram Forest Division for Setting up desalination plant at

Koonimedu village for combined water supply scheme to Villupuram and Tindivanam Municipalities, 2 town panchayats, 692 rural habitations in 5 unions and Govt. Medical College and Hospital at Mundiypakkam in Villupuram District has been forwarded Government of India by the Government vide reference 5th cited above.

In the reference 6th cited, Government of India have called for some additional information / documents/ clarifications on the proposal for further consideration of the proposal. A copy of the same is enclosed herewith. The Conservator of Forests is requested to furnish the details called for by the Government of India through online and as well as hard copy in triplicate urgently.

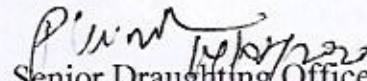
Sd/- S. Yuvaraj,
For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To
The Conservator of Forests, Villupuram Circle, Villupuram.

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

Copy to the Executive Engineer. TWAD Board, RWS Division, Kallakuruchi for necessary action.

/ True copy / By order /


Senior Draughting Officer.



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

Dated 05th 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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(L.Chandrasekar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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