## C.No.TS3/33840/2018

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

Dated: 22.09.2021.

Sub Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Salem Circle / Division -Proposal for renewal of lease for diversion of 5.62 ha of forest land Yellikaradu Bit 1 in Palamalai Reserved Forests in Salem Forest Division for quarrying Black Granite – Proposal forwarded to the Government of India – Additional details requested - Regarding.

Ref 1 Online application uploaded by the User Agency - The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited (TAMIN), Chepauk, Chennai-5. Proposal No. FP/TN/MIN/33999/2018.

- 2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref. No. TS3/33840/2018, dated 02.05.2019.
- 3 Government of Tamil Nadu letter No. 8194/FR.10/2019-1, dated 17.06.2019
- 4 Government of India letter No. 4-TNC041/2019-CHN/1114, dated 12.07.2019 & 16.09.2019
- 5 Government of Tamil Nadu letter No. 8194/FR.10/2019-3, dated 09.08.2019 & 20.09.2019
- 6 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref. No. TS3/33840/2018, dated 14.10.2019, 19.08.2020, 22.09.2020 and 28.08.2021.
- 7 Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited, Chennai letter RC No. 4756/ML3/2018, dated 03.09.2020
- 8 Conservator of Forests, Salem Circle Endt C. No. 7048/2018/D2, dated 29.07.2021
- 9 District Forest Officer, Salem Division C. No. 12145/2018/D1, dated 12.07.2021
- 10 Conservator of Forests, Salem Circle C. No. 7048/2018/D2, dated 03.09.2021

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

i) On the forest clearance proposal furnished by Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited (TAMIN) for renewal of lease for diversion of 5.62 ha of forest land in Yellikaradu Bit 1 in Palamalai Reserved Forests in Salem Forest Division for quarrying Black Granite in Salem District, Government of India in their letter 4<sup>th</sup> cited above have called for additional particulars for consideration of the proposal. ii) In the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letters referred above, it has been informed that the details / documents requested by the Government of India may be obtained from the user agency and as informed by the Government of India, a report from District Forest Officer with regard to compliance of conditions stipulated in the earlier approval may be uploaded in the web portal and report with connected documents in three copies to this office for taking further action in the matter.

iii) From the perusal of the reports uploaded in the EDS section by the District Forest Officer, it was noticed that the following details are not furnished by the user agency.

a) The user agency ie., TAMIN in letter No. 4756/ML3/2018, dated 03.07.2020 has reported that they have applied for getting approval of mining plan and Government approval to get precise area communication letter. TAMIN expects that the same would be obtained very soon.

b) Certified copy of the mining lease granted to the mining project by the competent authority is yet to be furnished by the user agency.

iv) The user agency may be informed to upload the copy of approved mining plan, Government approval of precise area communication letter and certified copy of mining lease granted to the mining project in the project proposal/EDS section and furnish the hard copies in triplicate for further action.

v) During the Fortnightly Regional Coordination meeting held on 06.09.2021, the Government of India has discussed the pendency of the long pending project proposals and requested to inform the user agency to expedite the process of submission of reply.

The Conservator of Forests is requested to obtain the details called for by the Government of India and submit the details early so as to obtain orders of Government of India early.

> Sd/- A. Deivendran, For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department)

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The Conservator of Forests, Salem Circle, Salem

The District Forest Officer, Salem Division, Salem for necessary action.

Copy to the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited, (TAMIN), Chepauk, Chennai 600005. (User Agency)

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