

C.No.TS4/24647/2019

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator  
of Forests (Head of Department),  
Panagal Building, Saidapet,  
Chennai - 15.  
Dated: 02.09.2021.

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Tirunelveli Circle /  
Thoothukudi Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.42 ha of forest  
land to provide the basic amenities to the pilgrimage who visit the  
Arulmigu Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyanar kovil– Online proposal  
submission by the User Agency ie. The Secretary, Arulmigu  
Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyanar kovil - Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency–The Secretary,  
Arulmigu Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyanar kovil dated: 23.04.2019.  
(FP/TN/Others /38898/2019).
  2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref.No.TS4/24647/2019,  
dt. 10.6.2019.
  3. Revised online application uploaded by the User Agency  
dated. 13.02.2020.
  4. Acknowledgements for the receipt of the proposal by the District  
Forest Officer, Thoothukudi, Conservator of Forests, Tirunelveli  
and the District Collector, Thoothukudi uploaded by the user  
agency on 28.04.2021
  5. Part-II & inspection report uploaded by the District Forest Officer,  
Thoothkudi on 12.05.2021 & Part-III & inspection report uploaded  
by the Conservator of Forests , Tirunelveli on 21.06.2021
  6. Hard copies of the proposal received on 18.08.2021.

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Attention of the Conservator of Forests, Tirunelveli and the District Forest Officer,  
Thoothukudi is invited to the references 5 & 6 cited. By scrutinizing the above, the  
following discrepancies are noticed.

1. In section 13(i) of Part-II, Details of Compensatory Afforestation scheme, total  
financial outlay mentioned is Rs.16.54136lacs and double the land area of  
Compensatory Afforestation selected in Saikulam West Reserved Forest of  
0.84ha. (Proposal for diversion of 0.42 ha of forest land). But on verification of  
scanned copy of the Compensatory Afforestation area marked in the Geo  
reference map, the area arrives to 0.83ha only. This may be resurveyed and  
rectified.

2. It is mentioned in Compensatory Afforestation details that the total amount of Compensatory Afforestation to be collected from the User agency is Rs.16.54136 lakhs. By verifying the breakup details; it is found that this amount is total sum including the Net Present Value, Nursery and Plantation of 0.84 ha of Compensatory Afforestation area along with the maintenance cost of the plantation of 1<sup>st</sup> year to 10<sup>th</sup> year. Since, the amount to be collected for Net Present Value should be dealt separately and should not be included in Compensatory Afforestation. The Compensatory Afforestation amount may alone be furnished in this section.
3. The Net Present Value amount calculated is for 0.84ha instead of 0.42ha area proposed to be diverted. The District Forest Officer is requested to verify and correct details to be mentioned.

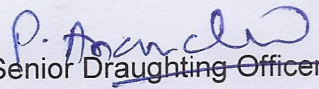
In the original hard copy of the proposal sent by the Conservator of Forests, the Form A Part-I proposal is incomplete for want of original documents. The Compensatory Afforestation details are not found placed in the hard copy of the proposal. The Conservator of Forests, Tirunelveli and the District Forest Officer, Thoothukudi are requested to rectify the defects and send the hard copies of the proposal in triplicate immediately.

4. The timeline prescribed in the Forest Conservation Act guidelines for processing the proposal should strictly be followed.

Sd/- V. Naganathan  
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Department)

To  
The Conservator of Forests, Tirunelveli Circle, Tirunelveli  
The District Forest Officer, Thoothukudi division, Thoothukudi  
Copy to  
The Secretary, Arulmigu Malaiyandi Sastha Ayyanar kovil,  
1/33, Middle street, Aralkulam, Thoothukudi District.

/True Copy /By Order/

  
Senior Draughting Officer  
3/1/2024