

**C.No.7413/2019/D1.**

O/o the Conservator of Forests,  
Vellore Circle, Vellore – 9.

Dated : 26.08.2023.

Sub : Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposals for diversion of 0.89 ha of Forest land for laying of underground OFC along the Polur to Jamunamarathur road through Periyamalai RF and Moolakkadu RF of Polur Range, Pattaraikadu RF and Veerappanur RF of Jamunamarathur Range in Thiruvannamalai Division – Online submission of proposal – Proposal return – Regarding.

- Ref: 1) Online application uploaded by the User Agency – M/s.Jio Digital Fibre Private Limited, No.89, Radhakrishnan Salai, Mylapore, Chennai Proposal No.FP/TN/OFC/117044/2020, dated : 25.12.2020.
- 2) Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer on 21.07.2023.
- 3) The District Forest Officer, Thiruvannamalai Division, Thiruvannamalai Ref.No.5146/2020/D dated : 16.08.2023.

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The proposal submitted by the User Agency in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited for diversion of 0.89 ha of Forest land for laying of underground OFC along the Polur to Jamunamarathur road through Periyamalai RF and Moolakkadu RF of Polur Range, Pattaraikadu RF and Veerappanur RF of Jamunamarathur Range in Thiruvannamalai Division under section-2 of Forest Conservation Act 1980 has been forwarded by the District Forest Officer, Thiruvannamalai by uploading the Part-II Form-A.

The area proposed for the diversion to an extent of 0.89 ha of forest land for laying Underground OFC along Polur to Jamunamarathur road was inspected by me on 19.08.2023. The area proposed for diversion falls in 4 different Reserve Forests of Thiruvannamalai Forest Division. Since there are revenue area falls in between the road from Polur to Jamunamarathur road, it is subdivided in to 11 stretches. The entire length of the stretch will be 35.390 km. The 1<sup>st</sup> stretch of 3.440 km falls in Periyamalai Reserve Forest of Polur Range where as 2<sup>nd</sup> stretch of around 9.760 km falls in Moolakadu Reserve Forest of Polur Range. From 3<sup>rd</sup> stretch to 5<sup>th</sup> stretch, it falls in Pattaraikadu Reserve Forest of Jamunamarathur Range for a distance of 11.74 km. From 6<sup>th</sup> stretch to 11<sup>th</sup> stretch, it falls in Veerappanur Reserve Forest of Jamunamarathur Range for a distance of 10.45 km.

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As the proposed depth is 1 mt. to 2 mts., the width will definitely 0.30 mts. Moreover the User Agency's other proposal minimum required width is 30 cms. **The total area requested for diversion comes around 1.0617 hectares.** Hence, the District Forest officer is requested to revise the proposal.


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Conservator of Forests,  
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To :

The District Forest Officer,  
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Tiruvannamalai.

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