



Abstract

Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 - Coimbatore District - Diversion of 1.83 ha. of forest land in Gopinari Reserve Forest of Nellimarathur Tribal Settlement to Coimbatore city Municipal Corporation, Coimbatore - Proposal under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Orders - Issued.

Environment and Forests (FR.10) Department.

G.O.Ms.No.88

Dated : 30.6.2010

Read :

1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Letter No. TS3/42837/2008, dated 29.8.2008.
2. Government Letter No.20308/FR.10/2008-1, Dated 15.10.2008.
3. From the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Letter No.4 - TNB 549/2008-BAN/5221 dated.23.7.2009.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No.TS3/4283708, dated.02.06.2010.
5. From the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Letter No.4-TNB 549/2008-BAN/7308 dated.15.6.2010.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter first read above has furnished the proposal for diversion of 1.94 ha of forest land in Gopinari Reserve Forest of Nellimarathur Tribal Settlement of Coimbatore District, in favour of the Commissioner, Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation, under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The above said proposal was forwarded to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, in the Government letter second read above.

3. The Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests, Bangalore, in their letter third read above have conveyed their approval in principle (Stage-I) to the above said proposal, subject to certain conditions.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter fourth read above has furnished the compliance report stating that the Commissioner of Coimbatore Corporation has limited his requirement of 1.83 ha. instead of 1.94 ha. among other things fulfilling all other conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests.

5. The Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Bangalore in their letter fifth read above have accorded stage II approval to the above proposal, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 metres at the cost of user agency.
3. The compensatory afforestation shall be raised over 3.66 ha. identified non-forest land in S.F.No.499/2 of Thenkarai village. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensatory afforestation site, if any.
4. Non forest land for compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as PF/RF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act and Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance within 6 months.
5. The additional amount of the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land if any becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency and the same shall be transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA-1579 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-1, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003.
6. The rehabilitation and resettlement plan shall be implemented at the cost of user agency.
7. Felling of trees of spontaneous origin shall not be carried out.
8. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 1.83 ha. In case the land is not taken over by the user agency or the same is not used for the stipulated purpose within a period of two years, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.

6. The Government, after careful examination accord approval for diversion of 1.83 ha of forest land in Gopinari Reserve Forest of Nellimarathur Tribal Settlement of Coimbatore District, in favour of the Commissioner, Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation, subject to the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests at para 5 above.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is requested to incorporate any other suitable conditions which are necessary for the above said diversion of forest land. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is also requested to take action accordingly and send a report to Government in due course.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(I/c)

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai.15.
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The Chief Conservator of Forests (Central),
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Copy to:

The Commissioner, Coimbatore Municipal Corporation,
Coimbatore.
The District Forest Officer, Coimbatore.
The Conservator of Forests, Coimbatore..
The Executive Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Coimbatore.
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FORWARDED BY ORDER/

Prabakaran
30/6/10
Section Officer.