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**Abstract** 

Forest & Wild Life Department – Diversion of 0.32 ha of forest land under section 2 Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for improvement of Vellandad – Chettachal road under State Road Improvement Project on behalf of Managing Director, Road infrastructure Company Kerala Ltd.(RICK)- Sanctioned - Orders issued.

## DEPARTMENT

## G.O.(Rt)No. 524/2017/F&WLD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30/12/2017

Read: 1 1. Letter No.FC2-51476/2017 dated 04.11.2017 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (F,L&R) & Nodal Officer. 2. Letter No.F.No.11-9/98-FC dated 13.02.2014 from the Ministry of Environment & Forests (FC Division), Government of India.

## ORDER

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (F,L&R) & NO has forwarded a proposed for diversion of 0.32 ha of forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for improvement of Velland-Chettachal Road coming under Paruthipally Range of Thiruvanathapuram Division received from Managing Director, Road Infrastructure Company Kerala Ltd.(RICK). The proposal is for widening of existing tar road that passes through Chooliyamala Reserve, for a length of 1.3 KM and ends at Chettachal Junction.

As per the general approval guideline issued by Government of India vide letter read as 2nd paper above, Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord permission for diversion of 0.32ha of forest land for improvement of Vellanad-Chettachal Road in favour of Managing Director, Road Infrastructure Company Kerala Ltd (RICK) subject to following conditions:

- 1. Legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The User Agency shall pay Net Present Value as per the guidelines issued by Government of India.
- 3. The User Agency shall give an undertaking to pay additional Net Present Value if required.

- 4. The User Agency shall not fell any trees other than marked for felling or cause damage to the surrounding forest and shall take all possible measures to conserve tree growth.
- 5. The User Agency shall make online payment of cost of Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value with ad-hoc CAMPA through e-payment module of forest clearance portal.(forestclearance.nic.in)
- 6. The User Agency shall not use the forest land for any purpose other than the purpose for which the forest land is diverted.
- 7. When the forest land is no longer required for the purpose the land will be resumed back to the Forest Department.
- 8. The User Agency shall abide by any other condition imposed later on by Government of Kerala / Forest Department in the interest of Forest Conservation.
- 9. The User Agency shall apply for renewal of approval after 10 years.
- 10. The User Agency has to sign an agreement with Divisional Forest Officer incorporating all the conditions imposed by Government of India/Government of Kerala in this regard and a nominal lease rent decided by the Government may be realized.

By order of the Governor VENU V
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,

Thiruvananthapuram.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (F,L&R) & Nodal Officer, Thiruvananthapuram.

Managing Director, Road Infrastructure Company Kerala Ltd. The Chief Conservator of Forest (Southern Circle), Kollam.

Divisional Forest Officer, Thiruvananthapuram. Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala

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