



BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
N.R Square, Bangalore

No: DCF/PR-1370/2023-24

Date: 15.11.2023

RENEWAL of OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

Sub: Permission regarding Translocation and Removal of trees which fall in the proposed area of Elevated Corridor from Ejipura Main Road, Inner Ring Road to Kendriya Sadana – reg

- Ref: a. EE letter no. ಕಾ.ಪಾ.ಅ (ಯೋ-ಕೇಂದ್ರ-5/ಪಿ.ಆರ್/78/2020-21 ದಿನಾಂಕ 10.06.2020
b. Public Notice dated 25.09.2020
c. Field Inspection dated 10.10.2020
d. This Office OM No. DCF/PR 1040/2021-22 dated 13.08.2021
e. CE, Project Central, BBMP No. ಕಾ.ಪಾ.ಅ (ಯೋ.ಕೇಂದ್ರ-9/ಪಿ.ಆರ್/47/2023-24 ದಿನಾಂಕ 19.10.2023

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Preamble:

The Executive Engineer (Project - 5), BBMP, Bengaluru South Zone vide his letter cited under reference above at (a), had sought permission for clearance of 84 trees which fall in the project area of Elevated Corridor from Ejipura Main Road (Inner Ring Road), Sony World Junction to Kendriya Sadana. He had submitted relevant documents which indicate that the said trees were standing in the construction activities area of the project which was being implemented in public interest. As such Public Notice dated 25.09.2020 was issued by the Tree Officer & DCF, BBMP as per Section 8 (3) of the Karnataka Preservation of Trees Act 1976 (as amended in 2015) with the intention to invite objections/remarks from public.

In response to the public notice, one suggestion/objection was received from public. The objector in particular has stated that already many number of trees have been felled earlier for the construction of the flyover near Sony Signal and St. John's Medical College, and starting a new project at the same junction will be an utter failure. Since the nature of the objection/suggestion pertained to the earlier project works of the Executive Engineer, the matter was referred to him. In response, the Executive Engineer in his letter no. EE/PC-5/PR 45/2021-22 dtd 20.05.2021 expressed that during December 2017 permission was sought for removal of trees which were standing over the median from Kendriya Sadana to Ejipura Junction for erection of piers and the then DCF, BBMP had

accorded permission in this connection for translocation for 39 nos. of trees vide order No. DCF/PR/1157/2018-19 dtd 26.12.2018.

Further in continuation of the same project, the works related to substructure (Piers) of Elevated Corridor from Kendriya Sadana to Ejipura Junction was 80% complete and the construction of portal frame for Up-ramp and Down-ramp of flyover towards the BWSSB junction i.e., St John's Medical College premises was under progress. The existing project was one and the same which had been approved by GOK to facilitate signal free movement for vehicular traffic on Inner Ring Road, Koramangala thereby avoiding four major junctions at Water Tank Junction, BDA Junction, Sony World Signal Junction and Ejipura Junction.

In this context it is to apprise that the above stated project proposal was received by the Tree Officer on 10.06.2020, public notice was issued on 25.09.2020, Field Forest Officers conducted the spot inspection on 01.10.2020, ACF/DCF visited the areas on 03.10.2020 and then TEC visited the area and conducted thorough field Inspection on 10.10.2020, duly examining all the trees besides having discussions with the Project Engineers.

The primary objective of the TEC was to retain-on-site as many trees as possible. In case the trees are falling within the project-activity area and their removal becomes inevitable, the next option for TEC was for translocation of trees depending upon its general condition and location. The felling of trees will be the last resort and that was done very judiciously in a prudent manner.

The Field Inspection Report of TEC was tabled during the TEC meeting held on 02.12.2020 and detailed discussions were held.

Adverting to the above, it is hereby noted that vide the letter cited u/r (d), the Tree Officer had issued an Official Memorandum giving permission regarding translocation and removal of trees which fall in the proposed area of Elevated Corridor from Ejipura Main Road, Inner Ring Road to Kendriya Sadana, Bengaluru.

The Chief Engineer, Project-Central, BBMP vide his letter cited u/r above at (e) has stated that since the tenderer who was executing the project work was cancelled, the project was stopped and not completed. Hence the trees standing in the proposed project area of Elevated Corridor were neither felled nor translocated.

Now that the remaining work of the above project has been started, the Chief Engineer has requested for the removal of trees standing in the above said proposed project area.

In this regard, as per the request of CE, Project-Central, BBMP, the Tree Officer has stated that in order to auction the trees for timber/firewood, the Official Memorandum issued vide this Office letter cited u/r (d) has to be renewed.

Now the Tree Officer, BBMP along with the ACF and concerned RFO visited the project spot/area on 02.11.2023 and conducted the field inspection and noted that there are totally 96 trees + 09 unnumbered Ashoka trees standing on the roadside.

From the above facts, it is evident that the entire scrutiny of the proposals and the connected field inspections were executed before the present Memorandum of Procedures (MOP) was formulated and adopted from 9th December 2020.

Based on the records/documents produced by the Project Agency followed by thorough scrutiny of the same and discussions of the field inspection reports which were prepared after examination of each and every tree, the following order is issued.

ORDER

Under the circumstances explained above and in exercising the powers vested with the undersigned as per Section 8 (3) of Karnataka Preservation of Trees Act, 1976, and based on the guidelines and decisions taken as per the Field Inspection Report and Meeting Proceedings dated 02.12.2020 of the TEC for retention-on-site, translocation and removal of trees which fall in the Project Area of Elevated Corridor from Ejipura Main Road (Inner Ring Road) to Kendriya Sadana, the below mentioned schedule is approved subject to the conditions mentioned thereon.

SCHEDULE

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| Total number of trees assessed | - 96 trees |
| No. of trees to be retained-on-site | - 12 trees (Tree Nos. 29A, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68 69 70, 71, 72, 73, 74) (Annexure A) |
| No. of trees to be translocated | - 17 trees (Tree Nos. 2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 16, 17, 23, 25, 28,32A, 36, 37, 38, 40, 42, 94) + 09 unnumbered young sub-adult Ashoka trees) (Annexure B) |
| No. of trees permitted for felling | - 67 trees (Tree Nos. 1,3,4,5,7,9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24,26, 27, 29,30, 31, 32, 33, 34 35, 39, 41, |

43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57,
58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83,
84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93) (Annexure C)

Conditions

1. The translocation of trees should be done at suitable vacant spaces identified in collaboration with the DCF, BBMP at the premises of St. John's Medical College and Hospital, Bengaluru.
2. The Persons/Agencies who are entrusted with translocation works should have sufficient technical knowledge and experience in such works.
3. The work of translocation of trees has to be executed under close technical supervision of Officials/Officers of Forest Wing of BBMP and according to the adopted guidelines.
4. The trees so translocated have to be properly maintained and taken care for a period of three years.
5. The entire process of translocation of trees has to be properly documented and records compiled in a systematic manner.
6. In lieu of the trees felled, 10 healthy and heighted saplings have to be planted in lieu of one tree felled. The plants have to be planted as per forestry practices and to be maintained for a period of three years. Photographs and proper documentation has to be there for seedlings planted.
7. No damage should be caused to the trees which are retained on the spot, while carrying out the civil works.
8. Quarterly progress report about the translocated trees and saplings planted have to be submitted to the Tree Officer. Regular monitoring must be done to ensure the conducive growth of translocated trees and planted saplings.



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Copy to:

1. The Executive Engineer (Project Central-5) for information and further action.
2. The Assistant Conservator of Forests, BBMP for information and further action.
3. The Range Forest Officer/Deputy Range Forest Officers for information and further action.

RETENTION OF TREES

| Sl. No. | Tree No. | Tree Species | Girth | Height |
|---|----------|--------------|-------|--------|
| 1. | 29A | Mahagony | 0.65 | 2.00 |
| 2. | 64 | Gulmohar | 2.00 | 3.30 |
| 3. | 65 | Rain Tree | 4.15 | 5.00 |
| 4. | 66 | Gulmohar | 2.30 | 3.30 |
| 5. | 67 | Rain Tree | 3.75 | 5.00 |
| 6. | 68 | Gulmohar | 2.10 | 4.30 |
| 7. | 69 | Gulmohar | 2.15 | 4.00 |
| 8. | 70 | Rain Tree | 3.70 | 5.30 |
| 9. | 71 | Rain Tree | 2.30 | 4.30 |
| 10. | 72 | Rain Tree | 2.80 | 4.30 |
| 11. | 73 | Gulmohar | 1.55 | 4.00 |
| 12. | 74 | Rain Tree | 3.50 | 5.30 |
| Total Retention of trees = 12 Nos of trees | | | | |


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TRANSLOCATION OF TREES

| Sl. No. | Tree No. | Tree Species | Girth | Height |
|---|----------|----------------------|-------|--------|
| 1. | 2 | Mahogany | 0.90 | 3.30 |
| 2. | 6 | Mahogany | 2.00 | 5.30 |
| 3. | 8 | Mahogany | 1.60 | 6.00 |
| 4. | 10 | Hippe | 1.10 | 5.00 |
| 5. | 11 | Mahogany | 1.60 | 5.00 |
| 6. | 16 | Maddale | 1.45 | 1.45 |
| 7. | 17 | Mahogany | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 8. | 23 | Mahogany | 1.90 | 4.00 |
| 9. | 25 | Mahogany | 1.20 | 5.00 |
| 10. | 28 | Tabebuia rosea | 1.20 | 5.00 |
| 11. | 32A | Mahogany | 0.65 | 2.30 |
| 12. | 36 | Honge Tree | 0.90 | 4.00 |
| 13. | 37 | Tabebuia avellanedea | 0.87 | 3.50 |
| 14. | 38 | Tabebuia avellanedea | 0.70 | 4.00 |
| 15. | 40 | Tabebuia argentea | 0.65 | 3.30 |
| 16. | 42 | Tabebuia avellanedea | 0.90 | 4.00 |
| 17. | 94 | Honge | 0.90 | 3.30 |
| Total Translocation of Trees = 17 Nos of trees + 09 Un-numbered young Sub-adult Ashoka Trees | | | | |



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FELLING OF TREES

| Sl. No | Tree Nos | Tree Species | Girth (m) | Height (m) |
|--------|----------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1. | 1 | Rain Tree | 2.75 | 5.30 |
| 2. | 3 | Hippe | 1.90 | 5.00 |
| 3. | 4 | Rain Tree | 3.10 | 6.00 |
| 4. | 5 | Rain Tree | 3.60 | 5.00 |
| 5. | 7 | Rain Tree | 3.80 | 5.00 |
| 6. | 9 | Mahogany | 2.60 | 5.30 |
| 7. | 12 | Jacaranda | 1.80 | 3.00 |
| 8. | 13 | Rain Tree | 4.60 | 5.30 |
| 9. | 14 | Jacaranda | 2.40 | 4.30 |
| 10. | 15 | Mahogany | 2.00 | 5.30 |
| 11. | 18 | Spethodia | 3.20 | 6.00 |
| 12. | 19 | Rain Tree | 3.80 | 6.00 |
| 13. | 20 | Tabebuia rosea | 1.40 | 5.00 |
| 14. | 21 | Tabebuia rosea | 2.00 | 5.30 |
| 15. | 22 | Seemetangadi | 1.40 | 3.00 |
| 16. | 24 | Rain Tree | 3.00 | 5.30 |
| 17. | 26 | Rain Tree | 2.80 | 5.00 |
| 18. | 27 | Atti | 5.30 | 5.30 |
| 19. | 29 | Rain Tree | 4.80 | 6.30 |
| 20. | 30 | Rain Tree | 3.25 | 6.30 |
| 21. | 31 | Rain Tree | 3.65 | 6.00 |
| 22. | 32 | Rain Tree | 4.30 | 5.30 |
| 23. | 33 | Jacaranda | 1.80 | 3.50 |
| 24. | 34 | Rain Tree | 3.90 | 5.30 |
| 25. | 35 | Mahogany | 1.10 | 4.00 |
| 26. | 39 | Gulmohar | 2.36 | 4.30 |
| 27. | 41 | Gulmohar | 4.30 | 4.30 |
| 28. | 43 | Tabebuia rosea | 1.86 | 5.30 |
| 29. | 44 | Tabebuia argentea | 1.00 | 3.00 |
| 30. | 45 | Gulmohar | 4.30 | 4.30 |
| 31. | 46 | Tabebuia argencia | 1.70 | 3.30 |
| 32. | 47 | Gulmohar | 3.30 | 3.30 |
| 33. | 48 | Tabebuia avellanedeia | 1 | 1 |
| 34. | 49 | Gulmohar | 2.25 | 3.3 |
| 35. | 50 | Tabebuia avellanedeia | 1.50 | 5.00 |
| 36. | 51 | Gulmohar | 2.30 | 4.50 |

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| 37. | 52 | Spethodia | 1.25 | 5.00 |
| 38. | 53 | Honge | 1.10 | 3.00 |
| 39. | 54 | Gulmohar | 3.20 | 3.30 |
| 40. | 55 | Jacaranda | 1.75 | 4.30 |
| 41. | 56 | Gulmohar | 2.20 | 5.00 |
| 42. | 57 | Jacaranda | 0.65 | 4.30 |
| 43. | 58 | Gulmohar | 2.60 | 5.00 |
| 44. | 59 | Spethodia | 4.10 | 5.30 |
| 45. | 60 | Gulmohar | 3.30 | 4.50 |
| 46. | 61 | Tabebuia argentea | 1.30 | 4.30 |
| 47. | 62 | Gulmohar | 2.90 | 3.30 |
| 48. | 63 | Spethodia | 3.55 | 4.30 |
| 49. | 75 | Rain Tree | 2.20 | 5.00 |
| 50. | 76 | Rain Tree | 2.55 | 4.30 |
| 51. | 77 | Rain Tree | 2.40 | 5.00 |
| 52. | 78 | Rain Tree | 2.80 | 5.30 |
| 53. | 79 | Rain Tree | 2.60 | 5.00 |
| 54. | 80 | Rain Tree | 2.60 | 5.00 |
| 55. | 81 | Tabebuia rosea | 0.75 | 4.30 |
| 56. | 82 | Rain Tree | 3.85 | 6.00 |
| 57. | 83 | Honge | 0.90 | 3.30 |
| 58. | 84 | Gulmohar | 1.55 | 4.00 |
| 59. | 85 | Rain tree | 3.50 | 5.30 |
| 60. | 86 | Rain tree | 2.20 | 5.00 |
| 61. | 87 | Rain tree | 2.55 | 4.30 |
| 62. | 88 | Rain tree | 2.40 | 5.00 |
| 63. | 89 | Rain tree | 2.80 | 5.30 |
| 64. | 90 | Rain tree | 2.60 | 5.00 |
| 65. | 91 | Rain tree | 2.60 | 5.00 |
| 66. | 92 | Tabebuia | 0.75 | 4.30 |
| 67. | 93 | Rain tree | 3.85 | 6.00 |
| Total Felling of trees = 67 Nos of trees | | | | |



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