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ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಅರಣ್ಯ ಭವನ ಸಂಕೀರ್ಣ, 18ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಮಲ್ಲೇಶ್ವರಂ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು - 560 003

## Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests

Bangalore Urban Division, Aranya Bhavan Compus. 18<sup>th</sup> cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003

No:A9/Tree Cutting/CR-154/2020-21/1685

Date: 23.10.2020.

### OFFICAL MEMORANDUM

Sub:	Permission for felling of trees in the Extension of E-W corridor(Reach 1A) of Bengaluru Metro Rail Project (BMRCL) Benniganahalli Lake Bund Bengaluru -Reg
Ref:	1. Letter No BMRCL/DYCE/R1A/PT-II/trees/2020/3789 O/o MD BMRCL Dtd.15.05.2020 2. Letter No.RFO/KRPM/Tree Cutting/CR6/2019-20/34Range Forest Officer, KR Puram Range, KR Puram Dtd.30.05.2020 3. Letter No. /Tree Cutting /CR 40/2020-21Asst. Conservator of Forests, South Sub Division, Bangalore Dtd.02.06.2020 4. Public Notice Date: 20.08.2020 in Indian Express and Vijayavani. 5. Letter No A9/Tree Cutting/CR-154/2020-21O/o DCF Bangalore Urban Dtd. 11.09.2020. 6. Letter No.ACF/PR-16/2020-21/Members Secretary and ACF BBMP, Bengaluru Dtd.15.10.2020.

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#### **PREAMBLE :-**

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited had submitted the applications to this office in reference (1) cited above. The Range Forest officer, KR Puram Range and Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bangalore South Division has submitted a report along with enumeration list trees in ref (2) & (3).The Public objections was invited in newspaper; the press notification regarding this was notified in Vijayavani dated 19.8.2020 .the objection(s) received was made available to Tree expert committee (TEC) videref (5) and, In deference to the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka in WP 17841/2018 Dtd. 04.03.2020 the enumerated List has been forwarded to Tree Expert Committee ref (5) .

As per the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka in WP 17841/2018 Tree expert Committee examined the reports submitted by Member Secretary and Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bruhath Bangalore Mahahnagara Palike, Bengaluru had carried out field visits for site assessment of trees infringing Metro works at various locations. As per the site visit Carried out by Tree Expert Committee Dt.15.09.2020 the total enumerated trees are 119 Nos.

The Tree Expert Committee under chairmanship of Sri Indu B Srivastava I.F.S. (Rtd) vide proceedings Dtd: 14.10.2020 regarding Retention/Translocation / Felling of trees has been communicated by Member Secretary and Assistant Conservator of Forests, BBMP vide reference (6) cited above(**Annexure-1**) to the Tree officer and Deputy Conservator of Forest, Bengaluru Urban for permission to fell the trees ; Hence the order.

#### **ORDER**

Based on the orders of Hon'ble High Court order Dt. 04.03.2020, and Tree Expert Committee proceedings dated. 14.10.2020, the orders on Retention /Translocation / Felling of tress is issued as stated below and the details are enclosed as Annex.

#### **Benniganahalli Tank Bund (Total Trees 119 Nos - List Appended)**

(As per the Tree Expert committee recommendations dtd 14.10.2020)

No. of Trees to be Retained : (Twenty eight) 28 No's

No. of Trees to be Translocated : (Fifty two) 52 No's

No. of Trees to be Felled : (Thirty nine) 39 No's

The above orders shall come into effect after fifteen(15 )days from the date of uploading it in the website of BBMP as per the Hon'ble High Court order in WP 17841/2018 PIL Dated.04.03.2020 and have to be executed subject to the following conditions.



**Conditions in respect of Felling of trees :-**

1. The wood extracted would be transported and disposed off as per the Forest Department Rules at the cost of BMRCL.
2. The BMRCL to carry out planting of saplings in lieu of felling of trees at the ratio of 1:10 at suitable places and regular post care management of these saplings should be undertaken for a minimum period of three years.
3. Among 39 No of trees to be felled, 03 Rosewood trees (*Dalbergia latifolia*) felled logs to be transported to the Forest Department Storage in Jarakbande Sandal Godown, Bangalore Range, Bangalore for Departmental disposal as per rules.

**Conditions in respect to Translocation of trees :-**

1. The BMRCL shall translocate the trees at its own cost to the locations approved by TEC and shall be maintained for a further period of three years from the date of translocation, through experienced agency and under the technical supervision of the Forest Department.
2. The BMRCL to furnish the name and address of the Person/Agency to whom the work of translocation is entrusted in its letterhead.
3. The Translocation of trees shall be executed as per guidelines /Methodology by GKVK Committee and TEC. Photographs and video of the translocation process should be submitted to this office through CD, after the completion of work.
4. Regular post care management of the Translocated trees should be undertaken, so that these trees survive successfully. The staff of Karnataka Forest department, Bangalore urban division shall visit the spot to assess periodically to the progress achieved by the user Agency BMRCL .




Tree Officer &  
Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Bengaluru Urban Division,  
Bangalore.

**Copy respectfully submitted to:**

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(HOFF), Bangalore for kind information .
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Forest Conservation), Bangalore for kind information with respect.
3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(FRM), Bangalore for kind information .
4. The Hon'ble Chairman, Tree Authority & Chief Conservator of Forests(Territorial), Bangalore for kind information.
5. Managing Director, BMRCL Ltd, BMTC Complex, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, K.H. Road, Shanthi Nagar, Bengaluru-560027 for kind information.

**Copy to :**

1. Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bangalore south Sub division for information and necessary action.
2. The Member Secretary, TEC and Asst. Conservator of Forests, BBMP for kind information.
3. Range Forest Officer, K.R.Puram Range for information and necessary action .



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