

## Letter No.694/ FR.5/2020-4, Dated: 19.03.2020

From Shambhu Kallolikar, I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Government.

To
The Additional Director General of Forests (Wildlife) /
Member Secretary,
National Board for Wildlife, Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Agni Wing,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110 003.(w.e.)

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Wildlife - Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary – Proposal for rationalization of existing boundary - Forwarded to Government of India for obtaining wildlife clearance from the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife - Regarding.

Ref: From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden letter reference No.WL6/38261/2012 dated: 10.01.2020.

I am directed to state that in the reference cited the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden has sent a proposal to reduce the buffer zone of Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary from 5 Kms. surrounding the main tank area of 29.51 Ha to 3 Km in which first 1 Km zone to be notified as Core Zone including main lake / tank and next 2 Km boundary to be notified as Buffer zone and to denotify the outer 2 Km zone of the existing 5 Km. The proposal has been placed before the State Board for Wildlife through Circular Agenda for their concurrence due to administrative reasons. The State Board for Wildlife has recommended the proposal. Accordingly necessary Form V proposal has been uploaded online as directed by the Government of India for obtaining wildlife clearance from the Standing Committee for National Board for Wildlife, Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi.

2. I am to request you to kindly obtain the concurrence of the Government of India and communicate the same to the State Government early.

Yours faithfully,

for Principal Secretary to Government

Copy to

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Chennai-15.