



## ABSTRACT

Highways Department – Construction and Maintenance wing – Madurai Circle – Theni Division – Administrative Sanction for Land Acquisition for an amount of Rs.1150.00 Lakhs for the work of “-“ Formation of Intermediate lane road from Kurangani- Top station (via) Muduvakkudi, km 0/0 – 24/0 – Orders – Issued.

### **Highways and Minor Ports (HS1) Department**

**G.O. (Ms).No.42**

**Dated:17.02.2021**

**சார்வரி, மாசி 05, திருவள்ளூர்வராண்டு 2052**

**Read:-**

- 1) G.O.(Ms).No.84, Highways and Minor Ports (HS1) Department Dt.19.06.2020.
- 2) From the Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department, Letter No.1902/Thittam/2021, dated 10.02.2021.

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### **ORDER:**

In the Government Order 1<sup>st</sup> read above, sanction was accorded for Rs.13.29 lakhs for conducting Site Investigation, Survey and preparation of DPR for the construction of Kurangani – Top Station Road via Muduvakkudi km 0/0 – 13/150 and site investigation.

2) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department in her letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above has stated that Top Station is a village at the top of Western Ghats in Bodinayakkanur Taluk of Theni District and it is very much famous for Tea, Coffee, Pepper, Strawberry and Orange estates. Also, Top Station is one of the important tourism spot which is located at 1913.20 m above MSL and it is very popular among the tourists to view the beauty of the Western Ghats. Top Station is very nearby to Kundalru dam, Mattupatty dam and Munnaru in Kerala State and these places are very famous tourism centres. Central Station located at 1403.50 m above MSL is another hamlet around which major coffee fields are located. Tea, Coffee and Pepper were grown in the British Period and the grown products were transported since 1926 through the “Rope Car System” from Top Station – Kurangani via Central station. Mudhuvakkudi 1140.20 m above MSL is another hamlet in between Central Station and Kurangani where Pepper estates are located and Silk Cotton trees are grown.

3) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has further stated that Kurangani 727.66 m above MSL is also a ghat village 10 km from Mundhal village which is located at the foot of the Western Ghat in Bodinayakkanur side. At present, the people of villages Vattavada, Koviloor, Kotta kumbur, Silanthiyaru, Pazhathottam, Thattambarai, Kadaveri, Samiyaralaikudi, Koodalarkudi and Valasapattikudi around Top Station are first reaching top station and then they have to travel 114 km (consisting of Top station to Munnaru via Mattupatty dam – 35 km and Munnaru to Bodimettu via Pooparai – 52 km in Kerala State Highways. Bodimettu to Bodinayakkanur - 27 km in NH 85) distance by road to

reach Bodynayakkanur. The people of Central Station have to walk for a distance of 5km to reach Top station or 9 km to reach Kurangani. Also the people of Mudhuvakkudi have to walk for a distance of 9 km to reach Top station or 5 km to reach Kurangani.

4) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has also stated that the people residing in Central station, Keelmuttam, Melmuttam, Muduvakudi (Tribal village) mostly depend on the hilly irregular and dangerous footpath to transport their agricultural products like lemon, coffee, oranges, silk cotton etc., by using donkeys, horses and to get treatment for sick patients and old people by using dollies. They encounter lot of hardship due to lack of proper road facilities.

5) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has further stated that the extent of land required for the formation in the Reserve forest area is to be compensated by transfer of twice the area of requirement of forest land to forest development by the revenue authorities along with a deposit of amount of Rs. 250.00 per sqm for formation of the forest in the revenue land transferred to forest department. The Detailed Project Report for formation of road with culvert constructions, paver block constructions in curves and hairpin bends considering extra widening and protective works such as PCC retaining walls to 3m height and RCC retaining walls more than 3m height and upto 8m height to retain the road in slopes to meet the IRC standards after detailed site investigation and survey is tabulated below:-

Sl. No	Name of Work	Length in Km	Land acquisition		Land alienation		Villages covered
			Area in Hec	Cost in lakhs	Area in hec	Cost Rs in lakhs	
1	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km 0/0 - 5/500 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works	5.50	4.585	182.25	2.31	57.75	Keelmuttam Muduvarkudi Melmuttam
2	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km 5/500 - 9/0 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works	3.50	0.350	79.75	0.81	20.25	Keelmuttam, Muduvarkudi Melmuttam
3	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km 9/0 - 12/0 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works	3.00	-	-	4.00	110.00	Central station
4	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km	3.00	-	-	4.18	115.00	Central station

Sl. No	Name of Work	Length in Km	Land acquisition		Land alienation		Villages covered
			Area in Hec	Cost in lakhs	Area in hec	Cost Rs in lakhs	
	12/0 - 15/0 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works						
5	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km 15/0 - 19/0 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works	4.00	4.270	155.00	4.80	120.00	Top station, Vattavada, Koviloor and surrounding villages
6	Forming Intermediate lane of Kurangani - top station road (via) Muduvakkudi at km 19/0 - 24/0 including CD works, Paver block, Side drain and Protective works	5.00	5.555	186.75	4.93	123.25	Top station, Vattavada, Koviloor and surrounding villages
			<b>14.76.00</b>		<b>21.03.00</b>		

6) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has therefore requested to accord Administrative Sanction for both Land Alienation & Land Acquisition for total extent of 35.79.00 hectare of land (4.585 + 0.350 + 4.270 + 5.555 + 2.31 + 0.81 + 4.00 + 4.18 + 4.80 + 4.93) for an amount of Rs.1150.00 Lakhs and Rs.33345.00 Lakhs for the work of "Formation of Intermediate lane road from Kurangani- Top station (via) Muduvakkudi, km 0/0 - 24/0.

7) The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department and accord In-Principle clearance for the project's work component for a sum of Rs.33345.00 Lakhs and Administrative Sanction for a sum of Rs.1150.00 Lakhs (Rupees Eleven Crore and Fifty Lakh Only) for Land Acquisition and Land Alienation for the total extent of 35.79.00 hectare of lands for the work of "Formation of Intermediate lane road from Kurangani- Top station (via) Muduvakkudi, km 0/0 -24/0", subject to obtaining prior clearance under Forest and Wild Life acts before commencing the project.

8) The expenditure sanctioned at para 7 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

"5054 - Capital outlay on Roads and Bridges - 04 - District and other Roads - 337 - Roads works - State's Expenditure - KC - Acquisition of lands for Bye Passes - 464.Lands - 01.Lands (Voted)".

(IFHRMS DPC: 5054-04-337-KC-46401)  
( Old DPC :5054-04-337-KC-6401)

9) The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department is authorized to incur the expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above.

10) The expenditure sanctioned in Para 7 above shall constitute an item of "New Instrument of Service" and approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department is also directed to send a draft explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2020-2021 to Finance (BG-I/PW-I) Department without fail.

11) This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.67/DS(SA)/PW-I/2021, dated.17.02.2021 and ASL No.1794 (One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Four).

**(By Order of the Governor)**

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Principal Secretary to Government**

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The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways  
Department, Chennai-25.  
The District Treasury Office / Sub-Treasury Office, Theni District.

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**//Forwarded by Order//**

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