

To  
**Dy Conservator of Forests**  
Bhuj Social Forestry Division  
301, Bahumali Bhawan  
**Bhuj -370 001**  
District : Kutch (GUJARAT)

Sub: 2/4 laning of **Bhuj – Khavda – Dharmshala section NH-341** from km 65+475 to km 162+185  
in the State of Gujarat - **Package II**  
- **Submission of Forest Diversion Proposal under Forest Conservation Act, 1980**

Dear Sir,

The captioned project is being developed by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India under facilitation of Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (IAHE), Noida through the office of the Executive Engineer, National Highways Division at Plot No 1, Ward 3B, Tagore Road Adipur, District Kutch – 370 205, Gujarat as Project Implementing Unit (PIU).

Package-II of the project road starts at Km 65+478 near Bhuj Airforce Station and passes through Kunriya and Khavda up to India Bridge. Thereafter, the project road passes through designated defense area and ends at km 162+185 near Dharamshala BSF Camp. Total length of the project road is 96.707 km and it falls entirely in the Kutch district of Gujarat State.

Since the roadside plantations along the project road up to village Khavda (km 133+145) are declared as Protected Forests vide Gazette Notification of Gujarat Government dated 15<sup>th</sup> March, 1973, forest diversion proposal is required to be submitted. As per the revised guidelines for e-filing of forest clearance application by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India in July 2014, **online application is being submitted for diversion of 122.4077 ha of Protected Forest Land.**

Kindly accord priority to this work as it is very important project of infrastructure development of our country.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

*R B Damor*  
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Executive Engineer  
National Highways Division  
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- (1) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Kutch Circle, Opp G K General Hospital, Jilla Udyog Bhawan, Bhuj, District Kutch – 370 001, Gujarat
- (2) The Nodal Officer & Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land), Sector 10/A Aranya Bhawan, A Wing, Third Floor, Gandhinagar – 382 010, Gujarat
- (3) Shri Aseem Prabhakar, President, Intercontinental Consultants and Technocrats Pvt. Ltd, A-8 Green park, New Delhi – 110016 for information and suitable necessary action