Site Inspection Report of the Conservator of Forests: Eastern Forest Circle, Manipur.

I, along with DFO/DCF: Kamjong Forest Division had inspected the proposed site (for diversion of 76.49 ha of forest land) for: "Widening and improvement of Shangshak-Nampisha road section of NH 102A into two laning of the existing 34.00 KM from Yingtem/Yidah to Bungpa Khullen village of 59.713 KM (PKG-III) in the State of Manipur by the NHIDCL on the 1^{st} October, 2020.

The forest type of the proposed area is Tropical Moist Deciduous to Semi-evergreen Forests which is classified as Eco-Class-I in the order dated 28.3.2008, 28.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, passed in the WP(C) No. 202/1995. The main species occurring in the forest area are Castanopsis, Alnus, Schima wallichi, Albizzia, Machilus spp, Melanorrhoea usitata, Emblica, Quercus etc. in the GBH class 0-60 cm mostly with various herbs and shrubs species. The presence of wild animals like barking deer, wild cat, squirrel, rodents, fox, slow loris, jungle fowl etc were reported in the area. However, no rare and endangered floral and faunal species are reported.

The density of the vegetation along the road is between 5-25%. The area has gentle to steep slope and cut surfaces is likely to cause exposure and prone to soil erosion.

The site does not form part of any protected area i.e. National Park, Wildlife sanctuary, conservation reserve and community reserves. The nearest protected area viz., Siroy National Park is about 14 km from the nearest point (at Yingtem/Yidah village) of the proposed diversion area. There is no protected archaeological heritage site or any important monuments in the area.

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