

Site Inspection Report of Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle for the project proposal
 "Widening and improvement of Yaingangpokpi-Nagaland Road Section of NH-202 into two laning
 with paved shoulder of 0.00 km from Laikot to Hungpung"

I, along with DFO/Ukhrul & his Range officers and User Agency(NHIDCL), inspected the proposed forest land for diversion of the project "Widening and improvement of Yaingangpokpi-Nagaland Road Section of NH-202 into two laning with paved shoulder of 0.00 km from Laikot to Hungpung of 48.273 km in the State of Manipur on EPC Mode" by NHIDCL on 18.05.2019.

The proposed area for diversion of the project is 149.708 ha. Out of this, forest land required for diversion under Ukhrul Forest Division is 128.84 ha. As per Working Plan of the division, the proposed land falls in the Un-classed forest in legal status and it passes through Plantation, Fuelwood& Fodder and Protection Working Circle of Mulam, Lambui and Ukhrul block under Ukhrul Range of the division.

The forest type of the proposed area is Tropical Moist Deciduous Forests. The main species found in the proposed diversion area are *Alnus nepalensis*, *Quercus spp.*, *Castanopsis spp.*, *Pinus kesia*, *Albizia spp.*, *Schima wallichii*, *Toona serrata*, *Gmelina arborea*, *Emblica officinalis*, etc. (photographs enclosed)

As the road is to be expanded by cutting of hills, construction of drainage, retaining walls may be required to check soil erosion and land slide.

The proposed area is not part of any Protected Area i.e. National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Conservation reserve or Community reserve. Animal species of schedule I is not reported found in the proposed areas. It is also outside the Eco-sensitive Zone of Shirui National Park.

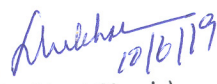
There is no protected archaeological heritage site, monuments and defence establishment in the project area. There is no report of violation as on date.

As there is no non forest land available, compensatory afforestation over an area of $128.84 \times 2 = 257.68$ say 258 ha is proposed to be taken up in degraded forest in 4(four) patches . The proposed sites are :

- (1) Lunghar Plot-I: 100 ha, compartment No. 5, Ukhrul Block,
- (2) Lunghar Plot-II: 58 ha, compartment No. 47 & 48, Khamasom Block
- (3) Nungbi Khullen-I: 50 ha , compartment No. 30, Khamasom block and
- (4) Nungbi Khullen-II: 50 ha, compartment no. 30, Khamasom Block.

Of these centres, the undersigned along with DFO & his Range officers inspected two sites at Lunghar Plot-I & II on 30.05.2019. The proposed sites are degraded forest land devoid of important tree species. The sites having moderate to steep slope may be suitable for taking up compensatory afforestation (photographs enclosed).

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