

Proposal for Diversion of 39.14ha of Forest Land for Widening /Upgrading of waghai-Shamgahan Section (km 59+600 to km 103+300) of Chikhali -Saputara Road (SH-15) to Four -laning with Paved Shoulderrrs in the state of Gujarat.

Online Proposal No:-FP/GJ/ROAD/155097/2022

Annexure-17

Site Inspection by the CCF		
Sr.No.	Particular	Inspection Report by CCF (T)
1	Extent in hectares	Dang South-39.14 ha
2	Location (Lat-Long) of the forest land proposed for Diversion	(1)20°45'53.46" N, 73°29'27.24" E and(2)20°37'23.36" N, 73°43'26.47" E other readings, as per Annexure-32 maps
3	Legal status of the forest land (protected forest, Reserved forest, Revenue forest land or any other forest land)	Reserved Forest and Protected Forest
4	Demarcation of the area with temporary cairns etc.	Yes
5	Any signs of encroachment	No
6	Any activity already taken up within the forest land or adjoining on forest land as part of the proposed project by the user agency. Details of action taken against the user agency in case of violation of the FC Act and guidelines there under.	No work has been carried out.
7	Status of vegetation ,site, quality, species composition etc.	Teak dominated forest of ,mediam density with site quality III/IV.Mainly teak and associates.are present in the area.
8	Importance of area from wildlife point of view, status of wildlife (density and abundance of important species, bird life reptiles, butterflies and other scheduled animals any endangered wildlife). Any latest census of wildlife in this area.	Vansda national Park is located 460.00 meters from this area .the Waghai Vansada main road connecting Dang District passes throgh this protected area. The VNP& its adjoining forest areas are habitat to lepords,Heaena, civet cat,Monitor lizard different reptiles both venomous & non-Vnomous Snake etc.
9	Endemism of flora/fauna or any other unique ecosystem in the area.	(1) In this proposal,out of the 39.14 hectares area,3.8511 hectares area falls in the eco-Sensitive zone.This 3.8511 hectares area has been proposed as an eco-sensitive zone separately. (2)The proposed area is adjacent to western Ghats Ecologically Sensitive area (a) draft notification was issued Western Ghat Ecologically Sensitive area by MOEFCC vide notification date:-31-07-2024. As per this notification.(1)Nani waghai (2) Shamgahan Villages of Vansda & Ahwa talukas are adjoining the SH-15
10	Current land use is this area managed as per prescriptions in the working plan and if not, why	Yes, land is managed as per the working plan
11	Importance of area from historical or religious point of view.	No historical place in this Route.
12	Any department of persons proposed	No
13	Any displacement of persons proposed	No
14	Is there any Rehabilitation and resettlement plan for the person to be affected? Is there any dissenting	No
15	Compensatory afforestation proposed is on forest land or non- forest land. Location of this area, suitability of the area for CA. If in the degraded forest land then what is the current working plan prescription for the area? Distance of the non-forest land for CA from the nearest forest area. Number of patches in case the area should be more than 10 kms.	Yes ,The Compensatory Afforestation Non Forest land in Village:-Seha , Taluke :Lakhpat Dist.Kutch Survey No. 6pt Range :- Dayapar North Division :- Kutchh(West) Area:-39.14 ha.
16	Proposal area should not be part of any protected area. Also distance from the boundary of the nearest protected area should be more than 10 kms.	The proposed area is not part of any protected area. The distance from the boundary of the nearest protected area is 0.460 km distance away from vansda National park and 17.56 km distance away from purna wildlife Sanctuary area..



17	Dependence of tribal in the area, Whether the rights of the tribal have recognized in this area.	Nil
18	Utility of the project, including the people living in closed vicinity of the project.	This Project will improve road connectivity in Dang District. The widening of the Waghai-Saputara road will increase the number of tourists at Saputara, which will improve the economic of the local people of the surrounding villages. As this road connecting the states of Gujarat
19	In case of renewal whether all the conditions stipulated N/A in the earlier sanction order have been complied with.	N.A
20	Alternatives examined by the user agency in case of non-site specific projects.	As per annexure- 35.
21	A certificate by the user agency that the forest land requested for diversion for non-forestry purpose is bare minimum.	Yes Attached herewith in Annexure-10.
22	Any scope of saving tree growth while ensuring that the purpose for which the forest land is being diverted is also not adversely affected.	No
23	Any other issued of significance.	Considering the forest density and forest area of Dang and nearness to Vansda National Park, the proposed widening of SH-15 from Waghai to Shamgahan should have. (1) Wildlife passages at suitable places for free movement of wildlife from one forest area to adjoining forest area. in Consultation with Forest department. (2) Agency should install speed limit signages and signages regarding presence/movement of wildlife. in Consultation with Forest department. (3) Speed breakers should be created at necessary places to control speed of vehicles and prevent road kill of wildlife.
24	Specific recommendation of the CCF with reason for approval of the project.	Recommended for diversion of 39.14ha forest land in Dang South Division for the Forest land for Widening/Upgrading of Waghai-Shamgahan road section as being a developmental project with minimum required forest land use vis-a-vis other alternatives as stated in annexure 9

Place:Valsad

Date: 28/04/2026


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