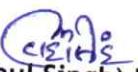


RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KATHUA FOREST DIVISION

The proposed project envisages proposed Development of Package-15 (KM 468+100 to KM 503+250) of Phase-II of Delhi-Katra Expressway by National Highway Authority of India in Kathua Forest Division Proposal No. FP/JK/ROAD/142566/2021. The forest area proposed for diversion is 0.6642 ha falling in Bein Closure of Lower Hiranagar Forest Block, Jasrota Range. The project in the present instant is being executed by National Highway Authority of India. It has been sanctioned under N/01004/01019/Jk. The project starts at Km. 468.100 at Village Gurha Baildaran of Hiranagar Tehsil in Kathua District and ends at Km 503.250 at Village Bagla of Vijaypur Tehsil in Samba District. The proposed project will improve connectivity from Delhi to Katra. The development will also improve the connectivity between U.T. of Jammu and Kashmir with the major cities of Punjab State, Haryana State and the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Therefore, in view of the envisaged benefits of the project for the local population it is recommended that the Project may be granted the Stage-I or In-principle approval.

Place: Kathua
Dated: 03-08-2024


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