

**Certificate regarding suitability of area identified for Compensatory Afforestation
(CA) and from management point of view**

This is to certify that an area double of 3.73 ha (2×3.73) = 7.46 ha of degraded/open forest land identified (*enclosed as Annexure. II*) are suitable for raising of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) of trees species (*enclosed in Annex. IV*) in connection with the Construction of 154m span Steel Superstructure Bridge at km 145.09 over river Barak on Imphal – Jiribam road section of NH-37 under EPC mode within Western Forest Division, Tamenglong , Manipur State. Part of the forest area falls under Sub-Tropical Semi-Evergreen and Moist Mixed Deciduous Forest. The crown density of CA site is about 20%.

No suitable alternative non-forest land other than the proposed site could be found available for the purpose. Also, the identified CA patch can be managed effectively with due advantage of nearness to the main road NH-37 and easy source of labour for the plantation activities. Hence, the area identified is best suited for Compensatory Afforestation (CA).



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