

FORM - 'A'

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the State Governments and other authorities

PART-I

(To be filled up by user agency)

1. Project details:

Diversion of 0.6732 Ha forest (Mangroves) for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River and construction of ROB on Diva —Panvel Railway line.

I. Short narrative of the proposal and project /scheme for which the forest land is required.

With a view to decongest the Greater Mumbai and to provide better amenities, the Government of Maharashtra has decided to develop a new town Navi Mumbai, across the harbour. Accordingly, the State government notified the area of Navi Mumbai and appointed the City & Industrial development Corporation of Maharashtra Limited (CIDCO) as the New Town Development Authority for the new city of Navi Mumbai. The State Government further acquired all privately held lands and vested it to CIDCO along with the government lands for orderly development and disposal. The development of new town Navi Mumbai would consist of development of 2 different nodes spread over an area of about 344 Sq. km connected by a strong transportation network. CIDCO has already developed nodes such as Airoli, Ghansoli, Vashi, Sanpada, Nerul, CBD-Belapur, Kalamboli, New Panvel and Dronagiri. The development nodes such as Koparkhianane, Kharghar, Kamothe, Ulve, etc. are also in the advanced stage.

The State Government has taken a policy decision to allot certain percentage of developed land to the original land owners from whom the land has been acquired by Government for the Navi Mumbai project. This scheme is popularly known as 12.5% scheme. CIDCO is thus allotting land under this scheme to the original land owners from various nodes. CIDCO has also earmarked large chunks of land in Panchanand, Pendhar at Taloja for allotment under 12.5% scheme as a part of development of Navi Mumbai, Kharghar node is developed, which is to be left when one proceeds from CBD-Belapur to

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the hinterland of Pune, Nagar and Konkan Region. The nodes such as Kalamboli, Kamothe and New Panvel are also located on the Sion-Panvel Expressway. The Panchanand, Pendhar, is located at Taloja, on the east Side of old Mumbai Pune Road and to the east of Diva-Panvel line of Konkan Railway.

The Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) has developed an area by way of Taloja Industrial Estate, which is located to the east of old Mumbai-Pune Road. This Industrial area is operative and there are number of job opportunities available in the Industries developed at Taloja Industrial Estate. With the development of nodes In and around Sion-Panvel Expressway on one side and old Mumbai - Pune Road on the other side, there is humming activities as far as transportation needs are concerned. With development of residential area, numbers of commuters are required to travel to and fro their residents to Job centres.

The Idea of this connectivity is to give boost to technocrats to develop the industrial belt, Diva -Panvel developing area and approach 10 land allotted under 12.5% scheme to project affected villages of Navi Mumbai with all infrastructure facilities keeping in mind the environment, Sustainable development and the greenery The main objectives set forth are as follows.

- The proposed connectivity will be between Sion -Panvel Express way through the Kharghar node and to Panchanand Pendhar area leading to Taloja Industrial Belt Dombivali, Ambenath, and Badlapur areas.
- This connectivity will be more beneficial to 12.5 % Scheme of Panchanand Pendhar which is for settlement of Project affected people as per the Govt. policy
- This will be the basic infrastructure for the residents of local area and for shifting of people who otherwise come from distance places.
- This will support the nearby industrial belt with manpower and it's connectivity for development.
- In and around this connectivity, modem physical, social, and commercial services will be developed which will raise the living standard to urban level and help to reduce the disparities.
- This will create environment to live fuller and richer life

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- The connectivity will save time, energy and money for the people to reach destination on developing area of Diva - Panvel and Taloja Industrial area by shortest distance from and through Kharghar node
- This connectivity will help to reduce the congestion of traffic at Kalamboli junction and Shilphata road leading to Dombivali & Kalyan Industrial & Housing area.

II. Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 scale Map. The required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 scale Map is attached here with

III. Cost of the Project: The Total Cost of the Project is Rs. 89,23,57,185.72

IV. Justification for locating the project in forest area:

Basic purpose of this connectivity link is to connect two nodes that are Kharghar and Taloja developed by CIDCO as per Nodal settlement pattern adopted by CIDCO. Developed land at Panchananda in Taloja node is to be allotted under 12.5% scheme to the PAPs. The connectivity link will also provide easy access to Taloja Industrial Area and also to the Ambernath, Badlapur, Dombivali area through the newly developed road. Presently people are required to spend considerable time to reach especially due to waiting period spent during passing through level of Diva-Panvel/ rail corridor.

As can be seen from what is stated above, it is necessary to establish the connectivity in order that large chunk of land is thrown open for construction of houses and industries in the service sector as also for the development of ancillary units for the residential as well as industrial area. The very purpose for which CIDCO is formed is to develop the new town Navi Mumbai and for the planned and orderly development, CIDCO is required to take into consideration the transportation requirements of the area.

With the development of new city of Navi Mumbai and with the pressure on the land in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region in general and Navi Mumbai in particular, it is necessary that one get affordable houses to accommodate the residents. It is in the larger interest of the Society that large chunk of developed lands are made available for development. The development of connectivity link referred to above is one such requirement of the development of land. We once again assure that all out efforts are

being made to ensure that the mangrove area that would get affected would be kept to a minimum and that even during the process of finalization of the design and during the process of execution.

V Cost-benefit analysis:

- The project will bring the ease of traffic.
- Reduce in the pollution of the surroundings with decongestion.
- Decrease in the travel time of the commuter thus increase in the productivity.

Employment Generation:

The Project would generate direct and indirect employment.

The construction phase is spread over a period of 36 months. During this period the manpower / labor will be needed to work as mason, beldar, bhisti, carpenter, coolie, fitter, crane operator etc. Due to this project, the local population will get the employment based on the skills they have. About 700 persons per day are likely to work during the peak periods. In the post construction phase the project will provide social benefits in terms of direct employment by generating large number of jobs in various position both in supervisory and non-supervisory positions.

The Construction of the project would employ about 35 Skilled personnel like engineers, planners and various domain experts for the project and around 800 unskilled personnel would be directly employed and about 1000 persons will find indirect employment in the proposed project.

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2. Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required:

Sr. No	Components	Area Required	Survey/CTS No.	Village	Taluka	District	Forest Status
1	Construction of Bridge And Road	4175.68	297/88/ Nalah	Pendhar	Panvel	Raigad	Un-notified Mangrove Forest
2	Construction of Bridge And Road	1782	244/245/246/247/ 320	Taloje Tarf Panchanand	Panvel	Raigad	
Total area in Sq. M		6732.18					
Total area in Hectare		0.6732					

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3. **Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any: NIL**
(i) Number of families.: **NA**
(ii) Number of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe families: **NIL**
(iii) Rehabilitation plan. (to be enclosed): **NIL**
4. **Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required? (Yes/No): NO**
5. **Undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of Safety Zone, etc. as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be enclosed): Enclosed**
6. **Details of Certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions: Enclosed**

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Railway Project, CIDCO Ltd.

Date:- _____

Place:- _____

State serial No. of proposal _____

(To be filled up by the Nodal Officer with date of receipt)