

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
(R&B) NATIONAL HIGHWAYS**

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To
The Divisional Forest Officer (T),
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Lr.No. NH-167B/CS Puram to S.Kona/NH VJA/Supdt./2021-22 Dt: 22.09.21

Sir,

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 9.33 Ha of forest land in Giddalur Division for Rehabilitation and upgradation of NH-167B from CS Puram to Singarayakondato two lane with paved shoulders in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NH(O) through EPC basis - additional information - submitted - Reg.

Ref: 1.Rc.No.779/2017/TA Dt:13.09.21 of O/o DFO, Giddalur

2.F.No.4-APC129/2021-Vij/64., Dt.18.08.2021 of MoEF& CC, IRO, Vijayawada

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It is submitted that vide ref 1st cited, the Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur has communicated the additional information sought by the MoEF & CC, IRO, Vijayawada vide ref 2nd cited. The point wise reply for the additional information sought is herewith submitted:

1. As per the area statement, it reveals that the user agency proposed for widening of existing road to 24 mtrs width (excluding 7 mtrs width in one stretch and 10 mtrs in remaining stretches). However, the State Government has not reported whether the existing road is RoW as mentioned under RF Notification or constructed with prior approval of Gol, the same is excluded from the width portion within the total forest area proposed for diversion i.e., 9.33 Ha. It was decided in the REC meeting so seek clarification on this issue.

Reply : It is submitted that the existing road is old Pamur - Kandukur-Singarayakonda road, was constructed before 1980 and is passing through 03 RFs i.e Botlagudur RF, Bodawada RF and Malakonda RF in Giddalur Divison in Prakasam District in the state of Andhra Pradesh. The existing road is within the RoW as mentioned under RF Notifications and the notification copies are herewith enclosed.

2. In case existing road is constructed in the RoW, supporting documents like RF Notification etc., shall be submitted.

S.No	Name of Reserve Forest	Existing Width (including shoulders)	RF Notification
1	Botlagudur RF	7.00 m	In Botlagudur Forest Block Notification, It was mentioned that Road from Singarayakonda to Pamur enters the block between the stations 23 and 24 at a distance of 36 links from Station No.23 and proceeds in westerly direction over a distance of 3 ½ miles within the forest block and leaves the block between stations 49 and 50 at a distance of 357 links from station No.49 is admitted as public right of way for men, cattle and vehicles . Therefore existing width of 7.0m was excluded from the proposed 24.0m right of way.
2	Bodawada RF	10.00 m	In Bodawada RF Notification vide G.O.Ms No.810 Food and Agriculture(Forest -III) 24 th April 1969, states that Right of way to a width of one chain (20.11m) was admitted for road from Pamuru to Kandukur. However, as the existing road width is 10.0m , the same was considered and was excluded from the proposed 24.0m right of way.
3	Malakonda RF	10.00 m	In Malakonda RF Notification published vide F&G Dt: 23.07.68, Block History vide Ref.73553/90-S3 Dt:16.5.91, road from Pamur to Kandukur for 3.0 Kms (Black Top) was mentioned. As the existing road width is 10.0m, the same was considered and was excluded from proposed 24.0m right of way.

3. Correct Kml files for the area required to be diverted shall be uploaded in the online application.

Reply: It is submitted that correct KML file was uploaded.

4. Justification for the need of 24 mtrs width from the existing width of 7m / 10m.

Reply : It is submitted that the existing road is proposed to be widened to two lane with paved shoulders configuration (i.e 10.0m Bituminous Top + 1.0m earthen shoudlers on both side + embankment slope varies from 2-3.5 m on both sides as per the profile + Toe Berm 1.0m on each side + earthen drain 1.50m on each side and total right of way required is 24.0m). It is further submitted that 24.0m is the bearest minimum right of way for two lane paved shoulders configuration and there are no trees existing in the proposed diversion of forest land.

I therefore request the Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur for favour of necessary action for onward submission for obtaining forest clearance at the earliest.

Encl : RF Notification and Typical Cross section of Proposed road.

Yours faithfully,


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- Copy submitted to Superintending Engineer (R&B) NH Circle, Vijayawada for information.
- Copy submitted to Regional Officer. MoRTH Vijayawada for information
- Copy to Deputy Executive Engineer (R&B) NH Sub Division, Ongole for pursue with forest officials
- Copy to Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri for information.