

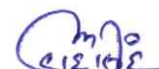


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**Certificate for suitability of area for Compensatory Afforestation**

The area for compensatory afforestation with respect to the forest land proposed for diversion under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 in Forest Bein Closure of Jasrota Range in Kathua Forest Division, Jammu & Kashmir with respect to the 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 Proposal No. FP/JK/ROAD/142566/2021 has been selected in 01 (One) patch of degraded Forest area within Kathua Forest Division falling in Forest Compartment No. 75/J of Jasrota Forest Range. The selected patch for carrying out compensatory afforestation is degraded Forest area with canopy density less than 0.4. (40%). In order to reduce the biotic pressure as well as to improve the biodiversity alongwith Forest cover, the said patch is proposed for compensatory afforestation through aided-natural regeneration (ANR) and allied activities with plantation of suitable Chir Pine and different indigenous local broad leaf species in line with the prescriptions laid down in the Working Plan of Kathua Forest Division for the period 2017-18 to 2026-27.



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