

Site Inspection Report

Prescribed by PCCF (HoFF) No. Desk-17-4/1445, Dated 05/11/2015.

Sr No	Items	Observation and remarks
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	Construction of Nandgaonpeth – Morshi – Warud – Pandhurna Road Upto State Border N H No. 353K Range – Morshi & Warud. Round – Shirkhed, Morshi, Pusla, Wai, Linga, Shekdari. Beat - Ner-pinglai, Shirkhed, Urad, Mahendri, Kekatwada, Pandhari
2	Name of the Use Agency	Executive Engineer National Highway Division, Amravati.
3	Date of site inspection	1 st visit - 15.09.2018 & 2 nd visit - 17.10.2018
4	Extend (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion	14.979 Ha. Reserve Forest.
5	a) Details of forest land proposed for diversion and activity wise breakup of forest land b) Density and Eco-value class	Forest land to be diverted – 14.979 Ha in Road. Less than 0.4
6	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User agency in col.2 of Part-1 is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternative examined.	The requirement of forest land as proposed by the User agency in col.2 of Part-1 is unavoidable and barest minimum for this project, because no another suitable alternative available.
7	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not ? . If yes details thereof	No.
8	a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not. b) Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof. c) Aerial distance from the nearest boundary of any Protected Area (km) d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons there for:	Not. No. Above 67.500 Kms. From Melghat Tiger Project. No. No.

9	Details of Vegetation.	
a)	Total number of trees to be felled	648
b)	Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm	62
c)	Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm	586
d)	Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area	As on inspection date 469 trees were found felled and 179 trees are remaining to be felled as per POR issues by Range Forest Officer.
10	Background note on the proposal (short summary)	Due to Up-gradation of Nandgaonpeth – Morshi – Warud – Pandhurna Road Upto State Border N H No. 353K existing highway, there will be overall development of the project area in terms of transportation of agriculture produces, easy access to education, health marked etc. Improved access to tourist places, higher education facilities & modern health facilities. Strengthening of both rural & urban economies which in turn will improve economic scenario of the state. Improved road connectivity helps in better implementation and management of government schemes. The Project Stretch is very important National Highway connecting MP border. The project road is located entirely in district Amravati so the entire population of district (2,888,445) will be benefited in addition to nearest state Madhya Pradesh. These populations are directly benefited in addition to thousands of tourist/ travellers and freight etc. It is planned to develop new industrial /educational/ commercial/ tourism nodes in vicinity of Highway at a regular interval of 30-40 km. The project will, side by side, generate large scale temporary and permanent employment to the skilled and un-skilled workers, thereby, offering employment opportunity of mainly to local population
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (conservation) Act 1980? If yes a detailed report on violation	Yes. i) Details of violation note attached here with on page No. 60 to 67

12	Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	No.
13	Details on catchment and culturable command area under the project (if applicable) Status of catchments area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable)	No.
14	Utility of the project	Overall socio-economic development.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/ religious values? Whether any scared grove or very old growth trees/ forests exist in the area proposed for diversion?	No.
16	Any other important information related to the project (separate note may be attached , if required)	No.
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed	Attached on page No.
18	Recommendations of the inspecting officer (CCF/CF/DCF)	Nandgaonpeth – Morshi – Warud – Karwar Naka. Highway will reduce time and cost of travel for public. Moreover only 14.979 Ha. Forest area is diverted with no significant impact on existing flora and fauna. as the user agency has done the violation of forest conservation Act. 1980. The proposal should be accepted by imposing the penal provisions prescribed in the letter No- F No. 11-42/2017 - FC, Dated 29 th January 2018 of MOEF, New Delhi.

(Signature)

Place: Amravati.
Date: 16 / 11 / 2018.

Name of Inspecting Officer:
Designation:

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