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Full Title of the Project: 4 Laning of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) at CRITICAL LOCATIONS between km 151 and km 187 in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir


File No: FP/JK/ROAD/145108/2021

Date of Proposal: 22-07-2021

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

(Highlighting facts about proposal as required under column-11 of Part-II)

1. A proposal has been received by this office from 4 Laning of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) at CRITICAL LOCATIONS between km 151 and km 187 in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir for diversion of forest under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry purposes. The project envisages diversion of **78.3877 hectares** of Forest land including the revenue forest for 4 Laning of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) at CRITICAL LOCATIONS between km 151 and km 187 in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir from Ramban to Banihal. The site inspection of the spot involved in the proposal has been done by the undersigned on **09-08-2021 & 10-08-2021**.
2. On inspection of the site, it is found that the project requires diversion of **71.9507 ha** of Forest land falling in compartments 38/R, 39/R, 40/R of Ramban Block Ramban Range and 54/Bnl, 55/Bnl of Chamalwas Block Banihal Range and **6.437 ha** of Revenue forest (Gair Mumkin Jhad) in village Seri, Maroog, Gaam, Sujmetna for 4 Laning of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) at CRITICAL LOCATIONS between km 151 and km 187 in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir.
3. The requirement of the forest land and felling of trees as proposed by the User Agency in Col-2 Part-I is unavoidable and bare minimum required for the project.
4. No Rare/Endangered/Unique species of flora and fauna in the area during the visit.
5. No violation of the Act has been carried out by the User Agency at the site as which shall be allowed only after clearance of the proposal by the competent Authority.
6. No protected /heritage site/defense establishment etc. is located along the current alignment.
7. A total of **3138** trees/poles is coming under the alignment of the project including dumping sites which requires felling.
8. (b) **Specific recommendation for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal:-** Diversion of **78.3877 ha** forest land for 4 Laning of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) at CRITICAL LOCATIONS between km 151 and km 187 in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir is recommended for forest clearance under section-4 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 with certain terms and conditions mentioned under recommendation column in favour of National Highway Authority of India.


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