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Justification for locating the project in forest area.

The proposed Railway Doubling line with Electrification between Guntur & Guntakal stations is vital rail link to connect the Coastal region with Rayalaseema and Karnataka and Tamilnadu. The Govt. of India granted this line to provide seamless transportation and ease the congestion on the exg.single line section. It caters the traffic potential arised due to new Capital city on Vijayawada side to the people of Rayalaseema for Passenger and Transportation of Goods traffic ie., Cement, Coal & Paddy. In addition, it improves connectivity from Eastern India to Bangalore the Silicon Valley of India.

The Doubling works bet. Guntur to Guntakal is in progress except in Forest area between Giddalur and Nandyal which is passing through Nallamala forest and two Tunnels of 1550m and 320m (Bogada and Chelama tunnels) which requires permission for carrying out construction activities under the Forest (Conservation)Act, 1980 and Wild life protection act,1970.

Commissioning of this doubling line would result in additional traffic with seamless transportation and ease the congestion on single line section.

The proposed doubling line has been aligned along the existing railway track within available railway land boundaries as far as possible, to minimize the forest land diversion/acquisition. There is no alternate route to this alignment hence the doubling line is proposed parallel to the existing railway track passing through this forest corridor, which is under possession of Railways.


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