## Site Inspection Report diversion of 13.032 ha of forest land

1. I have inspected the proposed site for the diversion of 13.032 ha of forest land for Widening Improvement of proposed Alignment Mahadev Toloi-Pfutsero Road Section-I Chainage from km 0.000 to km 89.400 in Ukhrul District and Chainage from km 89.400 to km 108.100 in Senapati District in State of Manipur on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 with the representative from the User Agency (BRO).

2. The proposed area for diversion passes through Laii and New Laii. The total area of 13.032Ha for diversion falls inside the Unclassed Forests.

3. The whole forest area for diversion falls under Tropical Moist Deciduous Forests which is classified as Eco Class-I in the order dated 8/3/2008 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court passed in WP (C) No. 202/1996. The proposed site consists of Dense Forest of more than 40% but less than 70% average density and open forest of more than 10% but less than 40% average density and as per the enumeration exercise the total number of trees to be affected will be around 1443 having 0-150 cm gbh class. The main species found in the area are *Quercus spp., Castanopsis spp., Alnus nepalensis, Albizzia spp., Schima wallichii, Emblica officinalis* etc.

4. The site does not form any part of Protected Area i.e. National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Conservation Reserve and Community Reserve. Barking deer, Jungle fowl, Wild pigeon, Wild boar etc. are reported from the proposed area. The proposed site is located at an aerial distance of about 19.39 km from the nearest protected area i.e. Pfunemai Community Reserve in Senapati District.

5. The area is not prone to erosion as the proposed area has gentle slope and Disang sandstone geological formation.

6. The request for diversion of land is unavoidable and barest minimum requirement. The proposed project will help connect the far-flung areas of the district, thereby improving the socio-economic profile of the district.

7. The User Agency has not done any work in violation of FCA, 1980 before or during and no alignment work has started for the said project.

Dated:- 18/02/2022 Place : Senapati

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