

SITE INSPECTION REPORT
PUNE FOREST DIVISION
 (Under Forest Conservation Act.1980)
 Prescribed vide PCCF (HoFF) No.Desk-17-4/1445, Dated 5/11/2015

Sr. No.	Items	Observations and remarks
1	Name of the Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	Proposal for diversion of 3.36 Ha forest area violation case for four laning of Pune - Solapur Section of NH-9 from Km 144+400 to Km 249+000 in the State of Maharashtra.
2	Name of User Agency	Project Director, National Highway Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, Solapur
3	Date of site inspection	10/08/2021.
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion	3.36 Ha. Reserve Forest and Identified Forest.
5	a) Detail of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of forest land. b) Density and Eco-value class	a) Attached in Area statement on page no b) 0.01 Eco Value Class- III. Open Forest
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 details of alternative examined.	Yes.
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) Areal distance from nearest boundary of any Protected Area (km) d) Remark about sensitivity of the	No. No. Adjacent to Forest land. Proposed area is not sensitive.

	forest area likely to be affected due to project. e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons thereof.	No.
9	Details of vegetation: a) Total number of trees to be felled: b) Number of trees felled of girth below 60 cm: c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm: d) Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area.	In this project proposed work is already done in year 2012 and also 190 Nos. Of trees felled during the construction of road as per NHAI report 190. 149 41 No
10	Background note on the proposal (Short summary)	The forest area involved in this proposal was within 10 Km from Great Indian Bustard sanctuary in 2012. This area was not considered for Forest (Conservation) act, 1980 proposal by Project Authority and work has been done. The proposed land is Identified Forest and Reserved Forest as per government records. As per Part- I the alignment passess through forest area measuring 3.36 ha. and the NH-9 (old) is useful for transport and communication purpose.
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, a detail report of violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached.	Yes. Detailed violation report attached on page no
12	Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	No.

13	Details of catchment and cultivable command area under the project (if applicable) Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable)	Not Applicable Not Applicable
14	Utility of the project	Road with utility corridor has been provided through out the project stretch and it is shown on in TCS.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/religious values? Whether any sacred groves or very old growth trees/ forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion?	No.
16	Any other important information related to project (Separate note may be attached, if required)	In this project already work done by NHAI on forest land. Hence violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	Attached on page no-
18	Recommendation of the Inspecting officer (DCF)	Recommended as per Handbook Part-B, Chapter I, rule 1.21 of the Forest (Conservation) Rule, 2003 issued by Government of India vide letter no F.No.5-2/2017-FC, Dt- 28/03/2019. The violation proposal recommended for acceptance, as the proposed area is barest minimum subject to condition of installation 20 nos. sign boards with information of wildlife area, slow passage for vehicle should be provided. Tall avenue plantation along the 1130 Mtr. forest diverted highway length should be provided. It will help in reduction of road kills and public awareness about forest and wildlife.

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