## CERTIFICATE REGARDING SUITABILITY OF AREA IDENTIFIED FOR COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION (CA) AND FROM MANAGEMENT POINT OF VIEW

This is to certify that an area double of 1.113 ha (i.e., 2 x 1.113 ha = 2.223 ha taken as 3 ha) of degraded forest lands identified at one patch at Taobam (Irang) village (Annexure II) has been checked through Decision Support System (DSS) and found suitable for raising of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) of tree species namely *Gmelina arborea, Terminalia myricarpa, Michelia champaca, Artocarpus chaplasha*, etc.,(Annexure IV) to compensate the loss of forest land due to diversion of 1.113 ha of forest land for the "Construction of Irang Bridge at existing 95.500 km on Imphal-Jiribam section of NH-37 (erstwhile NH-53) on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode in the State of Manipur by NHIDCL" under Noney Forest Division, Noney, Manipur. The proposed CA site falls under Sub-Tropical Semi-Evergreen and Moist Deciduous Forest. The crown density is less than 40%.

The indentified CA site can be managed effectively as it is located nearby the village. Hence, the area identified is best suited for taking up of Compensatory Afforestation(CA).

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