

## ANNEXURE – 9

### JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA TO BE SUBMITTED BY USER AGENCY AND COUNTER SIGNED BY DCF

The project road is passing through Banaskantha district of Gujarat state. The project road starts point Km.166.520 and end point km 169.015 of section SH-54. The project road development will aim at widening of Existing road and journey speed , reducing congestion and accident on the highway. The option of both side widening considered for improvement project so as to utilize the existing right of way \*(ROW) as far as possible. The quarries, haul road and borrow area. have not been located in any protected forest nor within any protected forest areas. In both side almost care was taken to minimize the impact on the natural environment including forest.

Sr. No.	Features	Details
1.	Existing Chainage From Km 166.520 to Km 169.015	The project road part of SH-54 passing through Banaskantha district of Gujarat state start point km 166.520 at and end point km.169.015 of section SH-54.
2	Length	2.495 Km
3	Improvement	10 Meter to Four lane with paved and earthen shoulder and footpath
4.	Taluka	Danta
5.	Village	Ambaji

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### CERTIFICATE FOR MINIMUM USE OF FOREST LAND AND JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT ON FOREST LAND

#### **Certificate for Minimum Use of Forest Land**

It is certified that the Protected / Reserved forest area to be diverted for non forestry purpose in this case is minimum and unavoidable due to need of Widening and Existing (conversion of existing 10 Meter to Four Lane with paved and Earthen shoulder) of from Existing Km 166.520 to 169.015 of Chitrasani – Balaram – Ambaji Road (SH-54). Forest area felling under Banaskantha Social forest division are 1.6321 Ha. of Protected forest land.

#### **Justification for Area Selection**

Road and Building Department,, Government of Gujarat has decided to take up the development of various SH stretches / corridors in the state where the intensity of traffic increases significantly and there is requirement of augmentation of capacity for safe and efficient movement of traffic.

The proposed project road is essentially a highway widening project and involved of conversion of existing 2-lane to 4-Lane with paved and earthen shoulder as per SH standard. Both sides widening of existing road within existing right of way (ROW) of R & B Department are notified protected forest from existing Km. 166.520 to 169.015 by Gujarat Government. Protected forest area diversion is proposed to meet the minimum requirement of geometric design parameters and safety aspects of highway. Therefore, area of protected forest land is proposed for the clearance.

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