Title of the Project: Construction of Twins 2-lane ROB and its approaches in replacement of existing level crossing Gate No. KA-38(Railway Km. 165/21-165/23) between Chandrakona Road & Garbeta Stations in Kadamdiha at km 159.448 of NH-60 in the state of West Bengal.

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<u>Justification for locating the project in forest area.</u>

NH-60 passes through the Kadamdiha forest area since a long time past. The Railway line crossing the National Highway at Ch. 159.448 km (Railway Km. 165/21-165/23) also runs through the forest area. Now the ROB structures must come in lieu of the exiting Level Crossing Gate No.KA-38. As many 3(three) nos. alternative alignment options were studied. The comparative study of these three alternative alignments in a tabular form along with the maps showing three alternates is placed herewith for better apprehension. Out of these three no options the alternate 2 has been accepted and sanctioned by Govt. of India as this alignment involves diversion of minimum forest area.

Alternate alignment options	Length within Forest land (m)	Forest area involved (Ha)	Remarks
Alternative-1	3015	18.09	This alignment was drawn to avoid defence land on the other side of the existing road. But it involves maximum forest area. So, alternative 1 is rejected.
Alternative-2	1968	9.533	This alignment although passing through defence land but involves minimum forest area. So, alternative 2 is accepted and the project has been sanctioned by the Govt. of India on the basis of this alignment.
Alternative-3	2498	14.99	This alignment also drawn to avoid defence land on the other side of the existing road. It also involves huge forest area although less than the alternate no.1. So, alternative 3 is rejected.

Note:-Map showing three alternative alignments is attached.

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