

Site Inspection Report of Dy. Conservator of Forests
North Goa Forest Division, Ponda

Four Laning of existing NH-17 (New NH -66) from Km 475.000 to Km 502.500 in the state of Goa on under NHDP-III (Patradevi to Karaswada Section on NH-17)

The Reserve Forest area proposed for clearance under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Construction of Four Laning of existing NH-17 (New NH -66) from Km 475.040 to Km 502.500 in the state of Goa on under NHDP-III (Patradevi to Karaswada Section on NH-17) is located in Sy. No. 135 of Torxem Village, Pernem Taluka, North Goa District, Goa State has been inspected by the undersigned on 21/11/2019.

Total forest area required for the said project is 0.06 ha. which has plain terrain with no trees along the alignment. The area is **not vulnerable to soil erosion** as it's a flat land. The area is adjacent to existing NH-17.

Entire stretch of forest area along the proposed alignment is having no trees. The proposed forest area is outside any Eco Sensitive Zone.

The project aims at up gradation and widening of existing right of way of National Highway.

Recommendations: Since the requirement of Forest land is bare minimum and there is no tree cutting involved, area is adjacent to existing NH 17, the diversion of 0.06 ha of Reserve Forest area is recommended to the user agency.

Date: 21/11/2019

Place: Ponda- Goa



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