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Justification Regarding FRA certificates work is under process

Project Name:- "Rehabilitation and Up-gradation of existing highway to 2 lane / 4 lane with paved shoulder under configuration from Pen-Khopoli-Mahad (KM 00+000 to KM 33+328) section of NH-166 D (Pen-Khopoli-Mahad) on Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) Basis in the state of Maharashtra Contract"

The ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH), government of India has decided to take up the development of Pen KhopoliMahad section of NH 166 D in the state of Maharashtra for augmentation of capacity for safe and efficient movement of traffic by upgrading to Two Lane with paved shoulder configuration based on the traffic demand.

The existing project road predominantly has a carriage way width 7 meter wide with earthen shoulder 0.5 to 1.5 meter on the both sides with exception in few locations. Paved shoulders are observed at some major build ups along the project stretch. The existing width incapable to cope up with the increasing traffic. Since, the highway is declared as National Highway, the project road requires minimum two-lane with paved shoulder configuration.

The total length of the project stretch selected for up-gradation is 33.328 KM in the package from which road is passing through forest area in Alibag forest division. The proposed widening requires diversion 9.6250 Ha in Alibag forest division. Therefore the widening of this stretch requires forest clearance from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change (GOI).

We are working on the NOC from Collector/ FRA certificate. We are also attaching the received copy of the same from Collector Raigad.

DA: As above.

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