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**PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF APPROACH ROAD TO MOPA  
AIRPORT PROJECT IN PERNEM TALUKA**

**BRIEF NOTE OF THE PROJECT**

Development of Greenfield International Airport at Mopa in Goa is presently in progress and phase I of the airport is expected to be commissioned in the year 2022. The project is being implemented in 4 phases with passenger handling capacity of 4.4 million passengers per annum (mppa) in phase I followed by 5.8 mppa, 9.4 mppa and 13.1 mppa in phase II, phase III and phase IV respectively. The airport has an ultimate potential of over 30 mppa. Presently, the proposed airport is connected with a village road. As the airport becomes operational there will be manifold increase in movement of traffic both passenger and cargo. Therefore, the airport needs to be connected with a dedicated approach road for seamless movement of traffic. In view of above, it is proposed to connect the airport to the nearest National Highway with a six-lane access control expressway at a length of 6.5 kms. The Mopa Airport project has received Environmental Clearance (EC) from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide letter No. F.No.10-29/2011-IA.III dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and Addendum No. F. No. 10-29/2011-IA-III dated 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020. This EC includes the approach road connectivity to the airport mentioned above. The total land area of the proposed approach road is **4,10,270 sq mtrs**. The proposed approach road includes forest area of 28,883 sq mtrs which is classified as private forest. This forest area is under three survey numbers viz. 337 (6503 sq. mtrs), 339 (22.260 sq mtrs) and 340 (120 sq. mtrs) in village Dhargalim in Pernem taluka in Goa. The construction of the proposed approach road (expressway) to Mopa Airport is crucial and time bound as it is necessary to commission the same to coincide with the commissioning of the airport in the year 2022.

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