

ANNEXURE-III

Scheme for Compensatory Afforestation for Widening and Improvement of Yaingangpokpi-Nagaland Road Section of NH-202 with regard to Central Forest Division, Manipur.

The proposed “Widening and improvement of Yaingangpokpi-Nagaland road Section of NH-202” shall require 12.6907 ha of Reserved forest land falling under the Central Forest Division. To compensate the loss in forest area due to the proposed diversion, the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and its relevant rules require Compensatory plantation over an equal area in a non-forest land or over double the area in a degraded forest land. As non-forest/waste land are not available in Imphal East district, Manipur, the required Compensatory afforestation shall to be taken up on degraded forest land twice in extent of forest area to be diverted. Area for compensatory Afforestation for this Project has been identified at Compartment No. 3 of Lamlong Block, Chingkheiching RF of Central Forest Division. The area has been specifically chosen with an aim to improve the general health of the degraded catchment area/hill slope.

The Compensatory afforestation is to be carried out over an area of 26 ha. The delineations of the proposed sites of Compensatory Afforestation in the form of maps along with the corresponding shape files and geo-coordinates have been enclosed here along with this proposal.

Forest Department, Government of Manipur would be the agency responsible for executing the said Compensatory Afforestation Scheme. Species preferable for the area include *Schima wallichii*, *Gmelina arborea*, *Pinus kesiya*, *Castanopsis hystrix*, *Alnus nepalensis*, *Terminlia sp.* etc as these species are locally available in the area. The detailed work schedule has also been enclosed here along with the cost structure of the said plantation. Advance work and nursery preparations would be carried out in the first year which would be followed by creation of plantation in the second year. Maintenance would spread over seven years starting from the year following the year of creation.

Monitoring of works under Compensatory Afforestation for the said project shall be taken up by the Department on a regular basis.

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