

Detailed justification

As per Geographical area of Himachal Pradesh 66.66% of total geographical area is Forest land and the land holdings in Himachal Pradesh is very less and land acquisition is not possible as most of the population are dependant on their land holdings for their livelihood.

Rohru was covered under Urban Area in the year 1978 with its up-gradation to NAC from Gram panchayat and Nagar Panchayat in the year 1995 further, Nagar Panchayat Rohru was up-graded to Municipal Council in the Year 2009. MC Rohru has 07 MC Wards with a floating population of **12,000 to 15,000 Approx.** and is increasing day by day.

Profile of Municipal Council of Rohru Town:-

Establishment of MC Rohru	2009	
No. of MC Wards	07	
Population according to Census 2011	6875	
Floating Population	12000 to 15000	
Govt. & Pvt. Institutions		
	Govt.	Private
Schools	4	10
College	1	Nil
Hospitals	2	2
Other Govt. Institutions	17	Nil

Moreover, Rohru is one of the most dense town in HP and population is increasing day day as Rohru Town is Headquarter of Jubbil and Rohru Tehsil of District Shimla. There are many Govt. & Pvt. institutions and people from different parts of State use to Stay in this small town as per their need, moreover, hundred of people visit this beautiful town on daily basis from nearby areas for their daily needs related to official work and market based work.

There is only 30-36% non-forest land under the possession of local people available within the jurisdiction of Rohru Town and all other land is forest land. Further, the SWM Plant is required to be established away from habitation but not far away from the jurisdiction of the Town for proper

functioning of SWM Plant and recycling of waste produced from different sources. The waste produced is being disposed in the River Pabbar and surrounding areas which is creating danger to ecology & nature, to overcome this problem SWM is essentially required for Rohru Town.

During the finalization of the proposed site three alternatives were examined and were selected/rejected as per below mentioned detail:-

Sr. No.	Alternate Examined	Reason for Selection/Rejection
1.	Alternate-I	Selected , due to most feasible and suitable site as per the requirement of the project and being a flat surface with no tree standing on site.
2.	Alternate-II	Rejected, due to more number of trees coming in the alignment of the project.
3.	Alternate-III	Rejected, due to sloppy site and more number of trees coming in the alignment and not as per the specification of the project.

Further, there is a case titled Suleman and others vs. Union of India and others a/w connected matters. CWP No. 2369 of 2018 a/w CWPIL No. 269 of 2017, CWP Nos. 1074 of 2019, 3334 of 2021, CWPIL Nos. 32, 42, 56 of 2021, CWP No. 3511 of 2022, CWPIL No. 4 of 2022 and CWP No. 819 of 2024. In this case the directions are given to establish SWMP and PWMP in all the local ULBs and Gram Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh. Copy of the same is enclosed for clarification and information.

Also, orders of NGT on Monitoring of compliance of waste in terms of orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 02.09.2014 and 22.02.2017 is enclosed for clarification and information.

Moreover, the patch of land identified for the said proposal is most feasible as per requirement of the project and much needed to keep the Town and environment neat and clean as per the guidelines of "Swachh Bharat Mission".

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