

**Chronology of Events**

Information on movement of the Proposal from one office to other with dates

SN	Date	From	To	Letter No	Short Description
1.	05/02/2021	DCF, Thane	PIU Thane, NHAI	3512	Village maps, 7/12 details, FRA Certificate, site demarcation etc.
2.	24/03/2021	PIU Thane, NHAI	DFO, Thane	1326	Submission of reply
3.	19/04/2021	DCF (Thane)	PIU Thane, NHAI	118	KML file, scale of maps, alternative alignment map etc.
4.	09/06/2021	PIU Thane, NHAI	DCF (Thane)	NHAI/ PIU- Thane/VME- 16/ 2021- 22/281	Submission of reply of letter dated 19/04/2021
5.	24/01/2022	DCF (Thane)	PIU Thane, NHAI	4121	Change in status of forest plots
6.	03/02/2022	PIU Thane, NHAI	DCF (Thane)	NHAI/ PIU- Thane/VME- 16/ 2021- 22/1618	Submission of reply of letter dated 24/01/2022
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**Attempts made to find out Non forest land for the proposal / reasons for its rejection of the same and minimum demand of forest area**

National Highways Authority of India has taken up the ambitious program of National Highways Development Program (NHDP) Phase VI for development of 1000 km of expressways which includes construction of about 379 km long Vadodara-Mumbai Expressway (VME) including SPUR. The proposed project is the development of 8 lane SPUR of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway starts at Koshimb village of Palghar district at Ch. 0+000 and terminate at the proposed junction with the Multi-Modal Corridor of Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) in Morbe village of Raigad district at Ch. 79+783. Total length of the SPUR alignment is 79.783 km, out of which 18.900 km lies in Palghar district, 55.260 km lies in Thane district and remaining 5.623 km lies in Raigad district of Maharashtra.

The project being a green field expressway and the alignment has been finalized after detailed study and exploring various alternatives. The alignment has been accepted and recommended by the Government of Maharashtra. Sufficient care was taken during the design of the expressway to keep it away from the forest areas, still all forest area is not possible to avoid due to random location of forest patches.

I, the Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU Thane certify that proposed the alignment has been fixed based on Technical, Environment and Social considerations and the requirement of **diversion of forest land has been kept bare minimum**. The Project is a green field alignment and crosses notified Forest land as per land records (7/12) of Govt. of Maharashtra. It is not feasible to avoid them; therefore diversion of 111.7321 ha (19.4521 ha under Dahanu Forest Division, 15.7617 ha under Jawhar Forest Division, **62.2824 ha under Thane Forest Division** and 14.2359 under Alibag Forest Division) is absolutely necessary for development of the

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**Unqualified commitment from the project authority to bear cost of exploitation of felling of trees and their allied works under project**

This is to undertake that the National Highways Authority of India, PIU Thane is fully committed to pay such amount towards forest clearance of "Development of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (**Phase-II SPUR**) from km 0+000 to km 79+783 in the State of Maharashtra" as decided by Govt. of Maharashtra required to defray the cost on:

1. Cost of exploitation for tree felling on the diverted forest land
2. Clearance and removal of ground vegetative cover on forest land, if any
3. Other related expenses, if any as directed by the Government

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**Undertaking to bear the cost of Compensatory Afforestation**

Certified that the National Highways Authority of India, PIU Thane is agreed to defray the cost as determined by the Forest Department for compensatory afforestation including fencing of the compensatory afforestation land located at Gut No. / Survey No. .... of Village ..... Taluka ..... District ..... of Maharashtra State in lieu of the forest land diverted for "Development of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase-II SPUR) from km 0+000 to km 79+783 in the State of Maharashtra" as detailed in **Annexure-22**, measuring 19.4521 ha under Dahanu Forest Division, 15.7617 ha under Jawhar Forest Division, **62.2824 ha under Thane Forest Division** and 14.2359 under Alibag Forest Division for ten year period.

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**Certificate of the Project Authority that No Violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980  
and its Guidelines**

This is to certify that provisions of **Forest Conservation Act, 1980** and the guidelines thereunder **has not been violated** in any manner for diversion of forest land in any village / place for development of "Development of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase-II SPUR) from km 0+000 to km 79+783 in the State of Maharashtra".

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**Certificate of the Project Authority to furnish Net Present Value (NPV) of the Demanded Forest Land as ordered by Government of India**

I, the undersigned, on behalf of Project Implementation Unit, National Highways Authority, PIU Thane undertake to pay the Net Present Value (NPV) as ordered by Government of India for diverted forest land for development of "Development of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase-II SPUR) from km 0+000 to km 79+783 in the State of Maharashtra".

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**Certificate of Project Authority to get the Environmental clearance as per the provisions of Environment Act 2006 (wherever necessary)**

The project is categorized as Category "A" project as per the provisions of EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments and there Environment clearance is required for the project from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC).

The Term of Reference for carrying out Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) has been approved by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) vide it's letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020. EIA Report has been prepared as per the approved ToR and submitted for Public Hearing on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Public Hearing has been conducted in three districts (Raigad, Thane & Palghar) and Final EIA Report was submitted to the MoEFCC on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

The project was considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee (**EAC**) of the MoEFCC in its 278<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28.10.2021 and 279<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 15.11.2021 for Environmental and CRZ Clearance. The **EAC of MOEFCC recommended the proposal for the grant of Environment & CRZ Clearance** and an additional detail has been sought (ADS) by concerned Member Secretary. The MoEFCC will issue the Clearance letter after submission of the reply of the ADS. Submission of the reply of the ADS is under progress.

I, the undersigned, on behalf of Project Implementation Unit, National Highways Authority, PIU Thane undertake that Environment & CRZ Clearance letter will be obtained from the MoEFCC as per the Government Rules before start of the construction work for the development of "Development of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase-II SPUR) from km 0+000 to km 79+783 in the State of Maharashtra"

Date: 04.01.2022  
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**Certificate of Non-indemnity to Forest Department by Project Authority**

I, **Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU – Thane**, hereby undertake to indemnify the Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra in the matter of pending inquiry u/s 22(A) of the Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act. 1975 (Act 13 of 1975) pertaining to the land bearing ..... belonging to Road which stands acquired as reserved forest under the provision of above mentioned Act.

In the event of restoration of the above land or part therefor to the owner under the provision of inquiry u/s 22(A) of the said act, the liability of such an event shall be with us.

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**Certificate from the District Collector that No Alternative Suitable Non-Forest Land  
is Available for The Project**

Not Applicable for this project.

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**Certificate from the District Collector under the FRA 2006 with resolution of Gram Sabha/ Gram Panchayat as per GOI letter dated 3/8/2009**

FRA certificate has been applied with District Collector and will be submitted upon receipt.

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**All Certificates and Documents must have name of the signatory, designation, station & date under the signature as per the GOM letter vide dated 01 December 2010**

This is to certify that all the certificates and documents are signed and mentioned the name of the signatory, designation of the signatory with station (place) and date under the signature as per Government Order.

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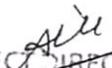
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**Undertaking to pay compensation to the lease holders under FRA 2006**

This is to certify that land holders / 1 year lease holders who have been allotted land under the provisions of Forest Rights Act, 2006 and the same is being acquired for the purpose of the project, will be paid compensation as per the provisions of NH Act, 1956 and Schedule-1, 2 & 3 of Right to Fair Compensation & Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act-2013 (RFCTLARR Act 2013). Compensation will be paid by National Highways Authority of India through respective Competent Authority of Land Acquisition (CALA).

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