

### Justification for Parking Area in Forest Land, Almora Division

Considering the present traffic requirements and increase in traffic in future, it is certified that there is no alternate land available other than the proposed Van Panchayat area of 0.1517 ha, which is suitable for construction of the parking area. The Van Panchayat area has no trees and is also quite suitable from other considerations to be considered for making a parking.

This parking site is proposed for the world-famous group of Jageshwar temples, where thousands of Pilgrims visit every year. The proposed work is under the Swadesh Darshan scheme of Government of India. It is reiterated that there is no other non-forest land available for construction of the parking at Kotli Gandhak and construction of parking site is important for management of traffic for pilgrims visiting Jageshwar temple.

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