To,

The Nodal Officer,

Government of Punjab, Forest Department, Forest Complex, Sector 68, SAS Nagar, Punjab - 160062

Sub: Submission of Forest Proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the diversion of forest land for non- forest purpose for the project "Construction of 6-lane structures on NH-1 Section (KM 407+000 to KM 444+794) on Brownfield Amritsar Spur of Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway"- reg.

Dear Sir,

The proposed project pertains to Construction of 6-lane structures on NH-1 Section (KM 407+000 to KM 444+794) on Brownfield Amritsar Spur of Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway. The project location starts at Km 407+000 at Ghuluwal village in Kapurthala Tehsil of Kapurthala District and ends at Km 444+794 at Rakh Jhita village in Amritsar II Tehsil of Amritsar District in the Punjab State. The proposed expansion and improvement in structures will reduce the existing traffic congestion on the highway and will provide better riding quality and safety to the commuters.

In pursuance of the above, National Highways Authority of India, PIU-Amritsar has been appointed as Project Implementation Unit for the proposed development.

The total length of the project alignment for construction of structures is about 15.586 km. Proposed widening of existing 4 lane structures to 6 lane shall be accommodated within existing RoW.

The Forest Land identified in concerned forest division is included in this proposal for your kind consideration and recommendation for grant of the diversion of Forest land for non-forest purpose. It is also stated that we are willing to pay the amount towards compensatory afforestation and Net Present value (NPV) etc. as per the government regulations.

This is a time bound project and has a potential to contribute to the economic wellbeing of local people of the adjoining area. Therefore, we kindly request you to consider the proposal and recommend granting the permission for the diversion of forest land.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

(Sunil Yadav)

Project Director

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