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Recommendation of the Wildlife Warden Kathua, Wildlife Division Kathua

The Improvement/Widening of Lakhanpur Thein Road has been sanctioned under CRF with sanction cost of Rs. 43.49 Crore. The Lakhanpur-Thein Road takes off from Lakhanpur NH-44. is only connecting link of 4 tehsils of Kathua with district HQ and NH-44. The total length of proposed road is **4.40 Kilometers** from RD 12/700 to RD 17/100 proposed for Improvement/Widening of Lakhanpur Thein Road. The project area falls inside the Wildlife Conservation Reserve is **4.367 Ha.** Out of the **4.367 Ha.**, **0.981 Ha.** falls on private land. The net forest area needs to be diverted from Wildlife Conservation Reserve is **3.386 Ha.** and 148 no. of trees/sapling of mainly broadly species are involved in the proposed alignment.

On completion of the Improvement/Widening of Lakhanpur Thein Road shall give better connectivity to 4 Tehsils namely Billawar, Mahanpur, Basohli and Bani of Kathua District. Therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Clearance under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 may kindly be accorded, with following term & conditions:

1. Any violation in this regard will be the direct responsibility of User Agency and actions under Wildlife protection Act (State/Central which so ever is applicable at that time) will be initiated against the User Agency.
2. All the rules and regulations as per the Wildlife Protection Act and directions from the Hon'ble Supreme Court may be adhered strictly.
3. No realignment should be done.
4. No muck shall be generated during the execution of the project as certified by the User Agency.
5. The User Agency should abide by any other conditions that may be prescribed by the Government of J&K UT.


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