

Project Name: Improvement and Up-gradation of Moradabad - Kashipur section of NH-734 including Moradabad bypass under NHDP phase-VII in the state of Uttar Pradesh. **Package-II:** Moradabad - Kashipur Road (Length= 39.750 km) Start from Ch. 0+00 (Existing Km. 389+00) at Bijna and ends at Ch. 39+750 at UP/UK Border near Dhandi River.

JUSTIFICATION OF LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

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There is no Reserve Forest being crossed by the proposed alignment. However, strip plantations present at crossing of existing roadside and railway line side declared as Protected Forest are being affected by proposed alignment. As the proposed project is expansion of existing NH-734, hence, the strip plantation along existing NH-734, Km 349 to Km 390 is being affected from proposed design Ch. 0+00 to Ch. 39+750. Besides, one railway line i.e. Moradabad-Kashipur-Ramnagar Railway Line from Pillar No-19+900 to 19+950 at village Devipur Mustahkam is also being crossed by proposed alignment. The total protected forest area under Moradabad Forest Division is 63.5796 ha which is required to be diverted for non-forestry use under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Three alternative alignments have been studied and the proposed alignment requires diversion of minimum forest land and cutting of minimum number of trees. Map showing alternative alignment is enclosed with the proposal and uploaded on the Parivesh portal.

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