

FORM – 'A'

Form for Seeking Prior Approval under Section 2 of the Proposals

by the State Governments and Other Authorities

PART-I

1.	Project details:	
(i)	Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which the forest land is required.	<p>The existing NH 47 from Thiruvananthapuram to Kanyakumari is 2-Lane carriageway and presently the traffic on this road is much more than the capacity. Most of the road length has continuous built-up area very close to the road. The existing NH 47B from Nagercoil to Kavalkinaru is also 2-Lane carriageway. Geometrics of both the road sections are not up to the standards (for design speed of 100kmph) as per IRC for National Highways.</p> <p>The project road starts before Thiruvananthapuram at Kazhakkootam on existing NH 47 at km 552/00, which is reckoned as km 00/000 for the project. The project road continues on the existing Thiruvananthapuram Bypass up to kovalam junction 22/600 and traverses through cross-country crossing Kerala/Tamil Nadu Border at Karode village at design chainage km 43/000. It continues further in Tamil Nadu state and rejoins the existing NH 47 at km 626/187 (existing chainage) and deviates at 627/000 (existing chainage) bypassing Chungankadai, Nagercoil and Suchindram rejoining the existing NH 47 at km 642/800. From km 642/800 it follows the existing road up to km 646/238 and deviates on RHS for bypassing Kottaram built-up area and joins NH 7 Bypass for Kanyakumari at km 231/653.</p> <p>NH 47B from Nagercoil to Kavalkinaru where it joins the NH 7 has been provided with a new alignment except initial length of 600m starting just before the junction of Nagercoil Bypass (km 82/181 of NH 47) and existing NH 47B.</p> <p>Since the project runs in two states, the project has been bifurcated into two separate packages comprising of the following sections.</p> <p>Package I : km 0/000 to Km 43/000 of NH 47 (Kazhakkootam to Kerala/Tamilnadu Border)</p> <p>Package II : km 43/000 to km 96/714 of NH 47 (from Kerala/Tamilnadu Border to Kanyakumari) and km 0/000 to km 16/376 of NH 47B (from Nagercoil to Kavalkinaru).</p> <p>Package I falls under Kerala State and Package II falls under Tamilnadu State. Presently, in Package II alignment, a small portion of the alignment is passing through the Reserve Forest</p>

		area. All the details furnished below are pertaining to Package II. Presently, the proposed alignment of NH 47B section between Nagercoil and Kavalkinaru passes through/near the Reserve Forest located near Thovalai at Tekkumalai Reserve Forest area.
(ii)	Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:10,000 scale map.	Enclosed
(iii)	Cost of the project:	Rs. 814.95 Crores (at 2008 schedule of rates)
(iv)	Justification for locating the project in forest area.	Due to the poor geometrics and continuous built up areas observed along the existing NH 47B section, it is proposed to provide an alternate new alignment to augment the traffic capacity. Hence a various alternatives were considered before finalizing the present selected alignment. The alignment is just crossing the small portion of the Reserve Forest as the proposed alignment has to run between Reserve Forest as well as Railway line connecting Nagercoil and Tirunelveli. If any other alternate alignment is to be considered then it will involve more land acquisition as well as more number of families also will be affected. The length of the road will also increase if any alternate route is selected instead of the present alignment.
(v)	Cost-benefit analysis.	Not applicable
(vi)	Employment likely to be generated.	Employment will be generated due to the Construction activity as well as maintenance of the same road in future.
2.	Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required	Main purpose of the Land is for providing a new 4-lane divided carriageway road. The area required for the same is 0.8868 Hactares (2.191 Acres)
3.	Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any:	
(i)	Number of families.	5917 (For Entire Project Length of 70.36km except in Forest land)
(ii)	Number of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe families.	Nil
(iii)	Rehabilitation plan.	-
4	Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required? (Yes/No).	YES
5	Undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of Safety Zone, etc. as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be	Enclosed

	enclosed).	
6	Details of certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions.	Map Showing the Details of the Forest Area in 1:10,000 scale along the Proposed Alignment enclosed

Signature

(Handwritten Signature)
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