<u>Full title of the Project</u>: Diversion of 39.7656 Ha of Forest Land for 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 in Kapurthala and Amritsar District of Punjab State

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A DETAILED NOTE ON THE PROJECT

Government of India has decided for improvement of existing structure on NH-I Section (KM 407+000 to KM 444+794) under Rectification of Blackspots on Brownfield Amritsar Spur of Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is the nodal agency to implement the project. NHAI has appointed M/s. Feedback Infra Pvt. Ltd., Gurugram as the DPR consultant for the proposed project.

The proposed project is Widening and Improvement of existing structure on NH-1 from KM 407+000 to KM 444+794 in Kapurthala and Amritsar districts in the State of Punjab. 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 total length of the project at which structures will be constructed is 15.586 km. Structure being improved under the project are ROB, Vehicular Underpass, Flyover, Major Bridge etc. The proposed widening shall be accommodated within existing RoW. About 39.7656 ha of Protected Forest (Roadside Plantation declared as Forest) shall be affected by the proposed widening and improvement of existing structures.

These blackspots are the safety hazards point on the existing highway. At present, the traffic congestion on existing highway is increasing day by day. The proposed widening and improvement shall reduce traffic congestion and result in time savings. Moreover, the proposed improvement will enhance road safety, save fuel and cost, generate employment, boost tourism and commercial activities in nearby areas etc. The proposed project shall improve trade efficiency and bring economic growth in the region.

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