

Justification/Need of the Road

The development of the project road is important because

The Project Road strategically interconnects two State (i.e. Nagaland & Manipur). The development of the road will boost the agricultural and industrial development of the surrounding area which can be viewed as boosting economic growth and poverty reduction, bringing substantial social and economic development in the region.

The social benefits arising due to the project will be triggered off due to improved accessibility to various services such as easy access to markets, health facilities, schools, workplace etc which in turn increases the income of the locals, and ultimately elevating their standard of living.

This road passes through the important places of business/agricultural interests like Jessami Village.

Social Benefit

Growth of the GDP of the district of Ukhrul.

It is expected that GDP of the district will have enhanced growth due to this improvement in road connectivity.

As this road is the only proper connection of with Akhegwo and Jessami, we expect that GDP of Ukhrul to increase manifold. This benefit will be for 5 years at enhanced rate of 10%, 10years for enhanced 5% rate & 15years for enhanced rate of 2%.

The current GDP of Ukhrul district is not available but can be derived from

- GDP of the Manipur state=18,000Crore/annum in 2014-15
- Population of Manipur=30Lacs
- Population of Ukhrul District=1.84Lacs

Alignment Justification

The existing alignment of the Akash Bridge – Jessami road (Package-II) has been followed with some minor curve corrections. The proposed alignment follows existing route.

However, in this case existing alignment has been found suitable considering Techno- commercial aspect, Social & Environmental Impact.

The impact to Environment along existing alignment is almost nil and land to be acquired is minimal. Compensatory afforestation, Tree plantation balance any negative impact caused by development. Also, improvement in road will reduce noise and air pollution.

The alignment finalized is the most suitable alignment and no other alternative would be better considering all aspects.

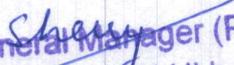

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Project Background

National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL) is a fully owned company of the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRT&H), Government of India. The company promotes, surveys, establishes, design, build, operate, maintain, and upgrade National Highways and Strategic Roads including interconnecting roads in parts of the country which share international boundaries with neighboring countries. The regional connectivity so enhanced would promote cross border trade and commerce and help safeguard India's international borders. This would lead to the formation of a more integrated and economically consolidated South and South East Asia. In addition, there would be overall economic benefits for the local population and help integrate the peripheral areas with the mainstream in a more robust manner.

As a part of the above mentioned endeavor, National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (NHIDCL) has been entrusted with Widening and improvement of Package-II of Akhegwo-Jessami Road Section of NH-202 into two laning of existing KM 326.018 (Akash Bridge) to KM 340.843 (Jessami) in the state of Manipur by NHIDCL”.

Project Description

The project road starts from Akash Bridge at Existing Ch.326+018 and ends near Jessami village at Existing Ch.340+843Km. The project road passes through Ukhrul district of Manipur. As per design the length of the proposed project road comes out as 14.720km (Proposed chainage from Km 325+440 to Km 340+160) under Package-II. The road passes through mountainous/steep terrain. This road is passing through Jessami Village. Photo and Key plan of Akash Bridge -Jessami road is shown below.



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