

Justification for locating the Project in the Forest Land

Improvement and Up-gradation of Jogighopa to Swahid Bedi (near Bongaigaon) Road

- Jogighopa Multi Model Logistic park (MMLP) is under Development, the MMLP is under the Government of India's Logistics Efficiency Enhancement Program, aims to reduce logistics costs and improve the efficiency of transport of goods and commodities. The project road will provide access from the logistic park to Bongaigaon and onward to NH-31 and NH-31C.
- The Public Works Roads Department of Assam (PWRD, Assam) has been entrusted with the assignment of Improvement of SH and MDRs under "Axom Mala" in the State of Assam.
- The project road follows existing Jogighopa to Swahid Bedi (near Bongaigaon) road, originating at Kabaitari (3-legged junction with NH-17) (old NH-37) & provides connectivity to important town/village/market area of Kabaitari, Ashok Paper Mill Part-II, Koreya Part-I, Chedamari, Balapara, Nayapara, Hokodoba Part-II, Dholonibill (Tilapara), Kherpuji Village, Kachudola, Oudubi, Bowalimari, Dhaknabari Bhatipara, Salbari, Bechimari, Raghunandanpur, Kasharpara, Amguri, Sajnavita, Bashbari, Deklimari, Dhalagaon, Nagariagaon, Tatpara, Mulagaon, Barshangaon, Jelkajhar, Gossaipara, Borpara before terminating point at Swahid Bedi near Bongaigaon (3-legged junction with SH-2). Total length of project stretch is 36.791 Km (as per design chainage).
- Some stretch of existing Jogighopa to Swahid Bedi (near Bongaigaon) road passes through the Bhairav Hill PRF of Aie Valley forest division in Bongaigaon district. Due to widening & geometric improvement of existing project road, require prior approval for diversion of 3.086 ha of Forest Land.
- There is no other feasible alternative alignment for this project. The area of forest land involved in the proposed alignment for the construction of the road is bare minimum.
- On the basis of traffic census the road widening and geometric improvement is necessary.

STATEMENT OF FOREST AREA INVOLVE IN THE PROPOSED ROAD PROJECT				
NAME OF COMPONENT	NAME OF RESERVE FOREST INVOLVE	AREA (SQ.M)	AREA (HA)	NAME OF FOREST DIVISION
PROPOSED ROAD ALIGNMENT AREA	BHAIRAV HILL PRF	30860	3.086	AIE VALLEY DIVISION


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