

Justification for locating Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase-II SPUR) in Forest Area

National Highways Authority of India has taken up the ambitious program of National Highways Development Program (NHDP) Phase VI for development of 1000 km of expressways which includes development of the proposed Vadodara Mumbai Expressway (Phase II SPUR) having a length of 79.783 km in the State of Maharashtra. The proposed alignment of the SPUR starts at km 0+000 (km 26+582 of Main Expressway) and ends at the proposed junction with the Multi-Modal Corridor of Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) in Morbe village of Raigad district at Ch. 79+783.

The project being a green field alignment, study of alternative alignments were carried out during fixation of the alignment to keep avoid forest areas. However, it could not be totally avoided due to geometric constrains and therefore, diversion of Forest Land has become necessary for development of the project.

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