

## FORM – A

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the  
State Government and other authorities  
(For Improvement of the existing Track to BT Standards)

### PART-I

(To be filled up by user agency)

User Agency: Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Visakhapatnam.

1. Project Details:		The total length of the proposed road from Gannela to Nanda via Amalaguda, Kottavalasa, Tadaka, Iragai, Thotavalasa road is 6.609 km length with existing track surface.
(i)	Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which the forest land is required.	Diversion of 2.045 Ha. land for Providing B.T road including construction of Pipe Culverts, and Retaining Walls from Improvements to Gannela to Nanda (via) Amalaguda, Kottavalasa, Tadaka, Iragai, Thotavalasa (Working Reach from 4/2 to 12/4) villages of Araku Valley mandal through Iragai and Lotheru Reserve forest Comp.no. 458, 459, 460 and 468 in Visakhapatnam Division in favour of Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Visakhapatnam under FC Act 1980.
		The road work is sanctioned by Ministry of Rural Development in Scheme for Promotion of Convergence with MGNREGS grant for Rs. 570.00 lakhs. The existing surface is earthen surface and it starts at Km 5/6. it is a shortest path to reach the mandal head quarters and this road connects important villages like Gannela, Amalaguda, Kottavalasa, Tadaka, Iragai, Thotavalasa and Nanda of Araku Valley Mandal. As there is no proper transportation facilities, the school going children are becoming Agricultural Labour. The basic occupation of the people in this area is Agriculture and is totally rain fed and collection and selling of forest produce. The main food crops are Paddy, Ragi and vegetables like carrot, beans etc, and forest products like Tamarind, Honey, Pineapple, Jack fruits, Coffee, Black Pepper etc. The crop yielding is generally very good and needs to be transported to the nearest marketing center i.e.
		This is the only road to provide medical aid to the people who are generally prone to Malaria and other general epidemics. This also helps the school going children and college students to reach the nearest schools and colleges.
		The Project is for New Connectivity of the existing road from track to BT standards. <b>Hence, Forest Clearance is needed for this road to upgrade to BT standards.</b>
(ii)	Map showing required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50000 scale map.	Enclosed
(iii)	Cost of the Project.	Rs. 570.00 lakhs

(iv)	Justification for locating the project in forest area.	The villagers Gannela, Amalaguda, Kottavalasa, Tadaka, Iragai, Thotavalasa and Nanda by this road. The existing road passes through Reserve Forest Area from Gannela to Nanda for a length of 4176.94 m. This is the only shortest route for the people of above habitations. The buses and commercial vehicles are not plying on this road due to improper geometry and various streams crossing the road. The people are facing lot of problems to meet their needs of Education, Health and Transportation of Agricultural and forest produces etc.. Hence the road is proposed to upgrade to BT standard so as to make the road traffic worthy.
(v)	Cost-Benefit analysis (to be enclosed)	The proposed road is to serve the habitations (Tribal) having a population of 1080 members. It is required to bring this tribal population into normal civilization by providing this road. By laying this road, the poor tribes living in remote areas can transport the agricultural products and forest Produce to the nearby market centre Araku valley. There by the tribes will get benefited by getting better income and become better civilized.
(vi)	Employment likely to be generated.	Due to this road project, they will get employment directly by creating 30500 man days for a period of one year and also indirectly, the nearby habitants are benefited.
<b>2. Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required</b>		The main purpose of the forest land is required for widening of the existing track and laying of BT Road. The total length of the road is 4176.94 mts is passing through reserve forest. Required total Right of way for Formation and Laying of BT Road is 4.89m including Construction of 9no's Culverts, 580m Length of Retaining Walls <b>For Road portion,</b> Length of the road = 4176.94 m Area required for road=4176.94x4.89= 20425.24 m <sup>2</sup> or 2.045 Ha. Hence an area of 2.045 hectares of forest land is required.
<b>2.a. Compartment-Area-wise break-up of the total land Required</b>		
<b>3. Details of displacement of people due to the project if any</b>		
(i)	Number of Families.	Nil
(ii)	Number of Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribe families	Nil
(iii)	Rehabilitation plan( to be enclosed)	Nil

4. Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required? (Yes/no)	No
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	1) Map-1 showing the area applied for Formation of road (Authenticated Map) 2) Map-2 showing the surveyed sketch of the road. 3) Map-3 Map showing the road with reference forest block boundaries (SI Sheet). 4) Undertaking to bear the cost of trees 5) Certificates not to violate the provisions of forest conservation Act.

Signature of User Agency



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