

FIELD INSPECTION NOTES OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT
NAGRJUNASAGAR IN NELLIKAL RESERVE FOREST ON 05.06.2015

Today I along with the Forest Range Officer, Wildlife Management, Nagarjunasagar and his field staff have inspected the location of proposed project/scheme submitted by user agency for Widening and improvement of existing BT road Nakrekal – Nagarjunasagar (from Km 72/460 to 73/395 i.e., 0.935 Km) passing through in Compt.No. 72 of Nellikal Reserve Forest block of Amrabad Tiger Reserve. The proposals of the project/scheme for Widening and improvement of existing BT road has been submitted by the Executive Engineer, R & B , National Highway, Hyderabad who is the user agency.

Name of the Reserve Forest	Legal status	Area of the forest block as per notification	Area of the road proposed for Widening and improvement of existing BT road.
Nellikal	Notified u/s. 15 of AP Forest Act, 1967, declared as Amrabad Tiger Reserve vide G.O Ms.No. 3, EFS&T (For-II), dt: 06.02.2015	4790.94 Ha	0.9723 Ha

The proposed location is a existing BT road with width of 6 Mtrs. Passing through Nellikal Reserve Forest from Km 72/460 to 73/395 i.e., 0.9723 Ha of Amrabad Tiger Reserve.. As certified by the HoD i.e., Chief Engineer of the User agency, R & B , National Highway, Hyderabad the road is existing prior to 1980. Now the user agency has proposed to widen the existing road to a width of 12 mtrs i.e., 3mtrs either side of the existing road. There is no valuable and above 10 cm girth tree growth is existing in the proposed area for diversion.

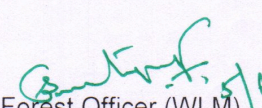
As per the User agency the road from Nakrekal in Telangana to Erpedu in Andhra Pradesh is recently declared as National Highway Government of India vide Gazette Notification No. S.O, 814(E), dt: 22.03.2013 and assigned National Highway number NH-565. The project corridor is an important connectivity between NH-65 and NH-71 in the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh respectively. Improvement of this section of NH-565 will improve the connectivity in terms of achieving smooth and safe traffic flow and improve level of service. In addition to above, substantial economic gain in terms of reduced Vehicle Operating Cost (VOC) and reduced travel time will be achieved.

There are no endanger/rare/unique species of flora and fauna is present in this area. But it is part of Protected Area.

As per the proposal given by the user agency and as certified by the HoD i.e., Chief Engineer of the User agency, R & B , National Highway, Hyderabad the road is existing prior to 1980 and proposed for Widening and improvement of the existing road only i.e., over lay on existing BT.

The user agency may be requested to follow the following conditions during work in progress.

1. The user agency may be instructed to take up the work during day time only i.e., from 9 am to 5 pm.
2. The user agency may be instructed not to leave any waste/excess material along the road side or inside the RF which may effect wild animal.
3. The user agency may be instructed to take necessary permission here after for every up gradation of the existing road in side the R.F of Amrabad Tiger Reserve.
4. The user agency may be requested to provide chain link fencing either side of the road to restrict the vehicles and public from entering into Reserve Forest.


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