


## ANNEXURE – 9

### **JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA TO BE SUBMITTED BY USER AGENCY**

The project road is passing through Gir-Somnath district of Gujarat state. The project road Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road starts point Km 10/500 end point km 21/000 section of Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road. The project road development will aim at widening and strengthening the Bridge & Road and journey speed and reducing congestion and accident on the highway. The option of both side widening considered for improvement project so as to utilize the existing right of way \*(ROW) as far as possible. In both side almost care was taken to minimize the impact on the natural environment including forest.

Sr. No.	Features	Details
1.	Existing Chainage from Km 10/500 end point km 21/000 section of Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road &	The project road development will aim at widening and strengthening the Bridge & Road and journey speed and reducing congestion and accident on the highway
2	Improvement	widening and strengthening of Road
3	District	Gir-Somnath
4	Taluka	Sutrapada

  
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# ANNEXURE - 10

## **CERTIFICATE FOR MINIMUM USE OF FOREST LAND AND JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT ON FOREST LAND**


### **Certificate for Minimum Use of Forest Land**


It is certified that the Protected forest area to be diverted for non forestry purpose in this case is minimum and unavoidable due to need of Widening & Strengthening of Various Bridge on Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road in Sutrapada taluka. Forest area felling under Social Forestry Division-Gir Somnath forest division are **5.5125** Ha. of Protected forest land.

### **Justification for Area Selection**

Road and Building Department,, Government of Gujarat has decided to take up the development of Bridge on various SH stretches/corridors in the state where the intensity of traffic increases significantly and there is requirement of augmentation of capacity for safe and efficient movement of traffic.

The proposed project of widening and strengthening of Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road is essentially a highway widening project. Both side widening of existing Bridge & Road within existing right of way (ROW) of R & B Department are notified protected forest from existing starts point Km 10/500 end point km 21/000 of Sutrapada Fatak-Dhamlej road by Gujarat Government. Protected forest area diversion is proposed to meet the minimum requirement of geometric design parameters and safety aspects of highway. Therefore, area of protected forest land is proposed for the clearance.

  
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