

<b>Name of the Project:</b>	<b>Four Laning of existing NH-17 from Km 475.040 to Km 611.000 in the state of Goa on BOT (Toll) basis under NHDP-III (Patradevi to Pollem Section on NH-17)</b>
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### **Justification for Locating the Project Road in Forest Area**

The widening of the existing carriage way, is the only feasible option as far as the technical aspects are concerned. That require the minimum land under the forest area instead of construction of a new 4-lane road. As it involve significant amount of land acquisition which will include not only the forest land but also government land.

However to minimize the impact on the environment and forest the up-gradation and widening is restricted to the existing right of way as much as possible with the Public Works Department (NH), Goa. Further the project has been divided in to 5 packages as mentioned hereafter. Hence the forest area proposed for diversion is minimum.

Sl. No	Package		Chanage(km)		Length of the Pckage (km)
	From	To	From (km)	To(km)	
1	Patradevi	Porvorum	475.040	515.000	39.96
2	Merces	Banbolim	518.500	523.000	4.5
3	Cortalim	Verna	535.000	545.000	10
4	Dramapur	Canacona	555.000	585.000	30
5	End of Canacona bypass	Pollem	603.000	611.000	8

  
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