

Project Background

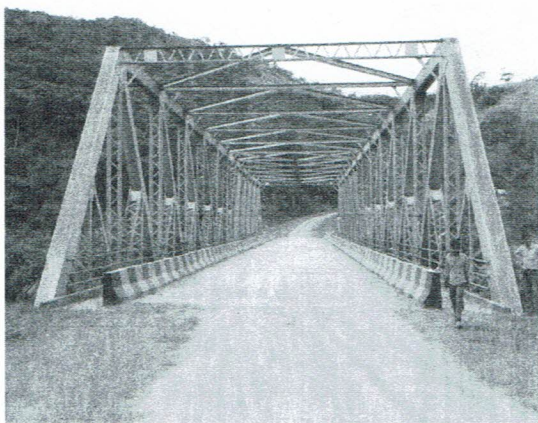
National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL) a fully owned company of the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRT&H), Government of India promotes, surveys, establishes, design, build, operate, maintain and upgrade National Highways and Strategic Roads including interconnecting roads in parts of the country which share international boundaries with neighboring countries. The regional connectivity so enhanced would promote cross border trade and commerce and help safeguard India's international borders. This would lead to the formation of a more integrated and economically consolidated South and South East Asia. In addition, there would be overall economic benefits for the local population and help integrate the peripheral areas with the mainstream in a more robust manner.

As a part of the above mentioned endeavor, National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) has been entrusted with the widening / strengthening of 2-laning of **Peren - Jalukie Section of NH-129A in the state of Nagaland.**

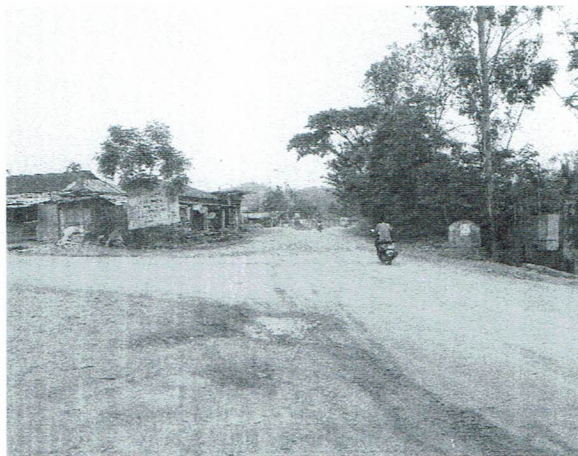
Project Description

The project road starts from Dzuko Bridge (Manipur & Nagaland State border) near Peren town and ends at Jalukie town. The length of the project road comes out as 35.626 km (as per topographic survey).

The project road lies in Peren district of Nagaland. The project road passes through plain & mountainous terrain. The existing road is passing through Peren town, Old Jalukie Sector A, Old Jalukie Sector B, Old Jalukie Sector C, Jalukie B and ends at Jalukie town. Photo and Key plan of Peren-Jalukie road is shown below:



Starting Location at Dzuko Bridge



End Location at Jalukie Town

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Justification / Need of the Road

The development of the project road is important because

- Provides interstate connectivity from Imphal Town (State Capital of Manipur) to Dimapur Town (Nagaland)
- This is The Shortest Route of Tamenglong to Dimapur
- Provides important connectivity to neighboring State Assam via End point of the project road
- The development of the road will boost the agricultural and industrial development of the surrounding area, which can be viewed as boosting economic growth and poverty reduction, bringing substantial social and economic development in the region.
- The social benefits arising due to the project will be triggered off due to improved accessibility to various services such as easy access to markets, health facilities, schools, workplace etc which in turn increases the income of the locals, and ultimately elevating their standard of living.
- This road passes through the many important places of business/ agricultural interests like Peren Town & Jalukie Town.

Social Benefit

- Growth of the GDP of the district Peren
- It is expected that GDP of the district will have enhanced growth due to this improvement in road connectivity.
- As this road is the only proper connection with Peren district, we expect that GDP of Peren to increase manifold. This benefit will be for 5 years at enhanced rate of 10%, 10 years for enhanced 5% rate & 15 years for enhanced rate of 2%.
- The current GDP of Peren district is not available but can be derived from
 - GDP of the Nagaland state = 0.215 lakh Crore / annum in 2016-17
 - Population of Nagaland = 22.8 Lacs
 - Population of Peren District = 0.09744 Lacs

Alignment Justification

The exiting alignment of the Peren - Jalukie road has been followed with some minor corrections. The proposed alignment follows existing route.

- The impact to Environment along existing alignment is almost nil and land to be acquired is minimal. Compensatory afforestation, Tree plantation balance any negative impact caused by development. Also improvement in road will reduce noise and air pollution.
- The alignment finalized is the most suitable alignment and no other alternative would be better considering all aspects.

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