Justification for the project in forest area

The proposed work of Upgradation of Mahaniyam to Padappai road Km. 0/188 - 1/200 = 1012m length with 3.75m carriageway width and shoulders width of 1.475m on either sides at Mahanyam Reserved Forest has a total area of the 0.678 hectares (1012 X 6.70m = 6780.40 Sq.m) forest land. There is no Alternative lands available for this road.

The other justification for forest diversion requirement is

- This road connects the Malaipattu, Sirumathur, Salamangalam, Padappai, Azhugu, Nariyambakkam and more villages connect with Tambaram to Walajabad road.
- 2. The farmers in the surrounding villages carry their Agricultural products like paddy, Grains, Rice, Sugarcane Groundnuts and Vegetables through this road to the marketing centres at Padappai, Tambaram and other nearby marketing centres.
- 3. There is no alternate route is available for this road stretches. Heavy traffic flow of through this road has been damaged the riding surface heavily and causing inconvenience to the free flow of Traffic.
- 4. This road was constructed before 1980 and maintained by Rural Department. The stretch is found with lot of surface worn outs, ruts, potholes which is discomfort to the road users and fast moving vehicles.

The last renewal was carried out prior to 2006.

Hence relaying of this road stretches are most essential to provide smooth surface of the road for free flow of traffic.

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