

Justification for proposal of diversion of 1.997 Ha. Of Forest Land in favour of NHIDCL for Construction of 1000 mtr long viaduct at Rangpo between Km 51.100 to Km 53.900 on Gangtok-Sevoke road (NH-31A, new NH-10) under kalimpong forest Division

The proposed diverted forest land was selected after analysing the three options:

Parameter	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Forest Land Involved (Hac)	1.997	2.16	2.87
No. of Trees Involved	6	18	133

Among all the three options explored, the Option-1 was recommended because:

- It passes along the river.
- It requires less tree cutting
- Less displacement of the people
- Minimum area of forest land i.e. 1.997 Ha.


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