

Justification for the Project in Reserve Forest area

The proposed Relaying and Periodical Maintenance of GST Road to Vadagal (Via) Chettipuniyam road (Km 1/314 - 2/0 = 686.0m length with 7.0m carriageway width and Shoulders width of 1.50m on either sides) at Paranur Reserve Forest has a total area of the **0.686 hectares** (686.00 x 10.00 = 6860 Sq.m) Forest Land. There is no Alternative Lands available for this road.

The other Justification for forest diversion requirement is

1. This road connects the Vadagal and Chettipuniyam and more villages connect with National Highways -45 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 Chengalpattu, Maraimalinagar and Guduvancheri and other nearby marketing centres.
3. There is no alternate route is available for this road stretches. Metal Quarries, Crushers are located in this locality. 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 1985 and maintained by Rural Development Department. The last renewal was carried out prior to 2010 and the road is heavily damaged for the past 11 years in forest portion The stretch is found with lot of surface wornouts, ruts, potholes which is discomfort to the road users and fast moving vehicles.

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

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