


Justification for Locating the Project in the Forest Land

Improvement and upgradation of Chapaguri Amguri Amteka Road under Asom Mala

- The project road Chapaguri to Amteka is an access road from Bongaigaon and Kokrajhar Districts to Bhutan Border.
- Dwijing Festival is an important river festival of BTAD region celebrated on the bank of river Aie and attended by more than 15 lakhs tourists every year. The project road is Dwijing festival road.
- There are number of river quarries located along the project road, material is required to be transported to construction projects in Chirang, Bongaigaon, Goalpara and Kokrajhar Districts.
- The Public Works Roads Department of Assam (PWRD, Assam) has been entrusted with the assignment of Improvement/Up-gradation of SH and MDRs under "Asom-Mala Program" in the State of Assam.
- The project road Chapaguri to Amteka originates from Chapaguri (4-legged junction with NH-27 (old NH-31C) and provides connectivity to important town/Village/market area of Chapaguri, Rowmari, Kanrimari, Dolagaon, Tulshijora, Koliyagaon, Amguri, Bang Ghat, Khanarguri, Kherdanda, Parbatjhora, Kaotong, Amlaguri, Amteka, Aneda, Jamunaguri, Konsaiguri, Malivita, Dollehal ends at Indo - Bhutan border near Sashipur village (India BP-172/2). Total length of the project Road is 40.776 Km (Design Length).
- Within this project stretch, terminal 18.460 Km of the project road passes through the Manas RF Part-II & require prior approval for diversion of 36.92 Ha of forest Land for widening and geographical improvement of the project Road.
- The forest stretch starts at Koila-Moila at CH: 22.316 Km and ends at Bhutan Border near Sashipur village at CH: 40.776 Km.
- There is no other feasible alternative alignment for this project road. The area of forest land involved in the proposed alignment for the construction of the Approach road is bare minimum.
- On the basis of traffic census the road widening and geographical improvement is


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