

Annexure-9

JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT ON FOREST LAND.

Northern Kutch has no underground water sources and one of the most water scarce Area of State of Gujarat. Drinking water is the main problem of this Area. According to the flagship Scheme of Government Nal Se Jal, Gujarat Water Supply & Sewerage Board propose to lay underground water pipeline in this area to reduce this problem. Our Office proposed to laying underground Drinking water pipeline of Dia 180 mm from Head Work Near Village Makanpar to Existing Pipeline placed Nr Village Palara. This route is passing through Forest area of Kutch West Forest Division. As the Surrounding area of the above route is notified as Forest Area so there is no any other alternate route is possible for this work to avoid the forest area. Our Office undertake that demanded forest area 0.077 Ha is barest minimum and unavoidable.



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