

Justification for the Project in Reserve Forest area

The proposed Relaying and Periodical Maintenance of C.T Road to Sirukundram Road Km 0/318-0/856= 538 mts with 3.75m carriageway width and Shoulders width of 1.625m on either sides) at Sirukundram Reserve Forest has a total area of the **0.3766 hectares** (538x7.00m=3766Sq.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 Sirukundram with Chengalpattu to Thiruporur 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 Thiruporur, Chengalpattu and 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 formed before 1980 and maintained by District Rural Development Agency. The stretch is found with lot of surface wornouts, ruts, potholes which is discomfort to the road users and fast moving vehicles. The last renewal was carried out prior to 2007.

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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