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Memo No. 4322 / W/CE/NH/

Date 12/10/2015

To,

The Nodal Officer (FCA-1980)
Forest Department,
Aranya Bhawan, Medical College Road,
Raipur (C.G.)

Subject:- Justification for locating the project in Forest Area for widening and upgrading to 2-lane of NH-163 (Old NH-202) from Bhopalpatnam to Tarlaguda in State of Chhattisgarh.

JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

1. There is already NH-163 (Old NH-202) running from BHOPALPATNAM to TARLAGUDA. It is being utilized by all means of surface transportation system. The current project envisages meeting the increasing demand of traffic and surface transportation medium. The conversion of single lane NH in to 2-lane will also increase the speed of traffic which will save the running time hence the saved time can be utilized in productive uses ultimately adding in the GDP of the nation.
2. The existing NH-163 (Old NH-202) already passes through the forest areas and the same centre line will be used for the widening and strengthening of the road.
3. Any alternative route will consume more forest area as new road will be constructed utilizing complete right of way.
4. The selected site does not have sizable population and evolves only evacuation of minimum no. of habitants. The proposal is submitted for the minimum forest.

Encl: - Nil

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1. Regional Officer, MoRT&H, NH Campus Raipur for information.
2. The Superintending Engineer, NH Circle, PWD, Raipur for information.
3. The Executive Engineer, NH Division, PWD, Jagdalpur for information.

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