


## JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

Khebaching (Khongjom) is a historical place where the last resistance was put up by the then kingdom of Manipur against the invading British forces in the Anglo-Manipuri War of 1891.

2. To commemorate the indomitable spirit of those warriors who sacrificed their lives for their motherland, the Government of Manipur constructed a Memorial Pillar during which was inaugurated by the then President of India, Shri V. V. Giri.
3. The Place is of high spiritual significance for the people of Manipur and is close to their hearts. Every year, on 23<sup>rd</sup> April Khongjom Day is celebrated to commemorate the supreme sacrifice made by Manipuri brave hearts.
4. Considering the importance of the site and its location on Indo-Myanmar Road, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned the project "Development of Integrated Tourist Circuit for Marjing Polo-Kaina-Khebaching in Manipur"
5. In the project, the proposal is to erect three form finish towers of 90 ft. Height at the site of exiting Memorial Pillar along with supporting Tourism infrastructure and Amenities in larger public interest.

The project once completed will give boost to tourism sector and would provide avenues of employment and livelihood generation to local populace.

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