

### Justification for the project in forest area

The proposed Widening from Intermediate lane to two lanes and strengthening of Sathanur dam road at Km. 3 /4 - 5/0 (Ponnaiyar Reserve Forest) is an important ~~Major~~ District Road in Tiruvannamalai Division. This stretch passes through Ponnaiyar Reserve Forest in 0.25 Hectare area. There is no alternative non forest land is available to connect the nearby marketing center.

This road from Km 3/4 – 5/0 is having Intermediate lane carriageway of 5.50m. This road passes through the villages and this road is situated along the villages, agricultural lands and is being used by farmers to transport their agricultural products to other district capitals. This road connects to the Sathanur dam situated along this road. Hence commercial traffic is very high.

The stretch from Km 3/4 - 5/0. Further, the stretch is found with lot of pot holes and discomfort to the road users and fast moving vehicles. Due to the bad condition of riding surface, road users are experiencing hardship to use the road. Hence the above stretch has to be Widening from Intermediate lane to Two lane road so as to get riding safely.



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