

Justification for locating of Ramban Banihal Section of NH 44 (old NH1A) in Forest Area

National Highways Authority of India has taken up the ambitious program of National Highways Development Program (NHDP) Phase II for development of Ramban-Banihal Section of NH 44 from km 151 (Ramban) to km 187 (Banihal) into an all-weather traffic worthy road, safe for operations by providing sustainable engineering solutions at critical locations. This involves alternative technical measures such as realignments, tunnels or viaducts at places prone to landslide so that connectivity between Jammu and Srinagar is not compromised.

As the project is development of existing highway where forest exists along the road in some stretches, complete avoidance of forest areas is not possible due to geotechnical considerations and therefore, diversion of Forest Land has become necessary for development of the project.

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