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JUSTIFICATION
FOR LOCATING PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

Part of the proposed road from Pedgaon Shirapur to Hingani Berdi Road (Between Chainage Km. 13+500 to Km. 22+025) is already existing. The road is presently damaged. Further, the road is to be improved and re-structured as per standards prescribed by the Indian Road Congress. To cope up with future demand of increased volume of traffic and to ensure safety of by- passer public and vehicles, the road needs widening and improvements.

The proposed road, having length to the extent of 230 m. and width of 3.75 m., pass through a patch of Forest Land. The road needs to be widened up to 7.50 m. As such, an additional width of 3.75 m. is required for the project. Hence, the proposal attracts provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The project requires Forest Clearance i. e. prior approval under Section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Since, the road is existing and there is no alternative to the existing alignment, the Forest Land proposed for diversion is unavoidable. The barest minimum Forest Land, to the extent of 0.08625 (Say: 0.09 Ha.), is required/ proposed for the project.

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