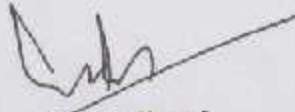


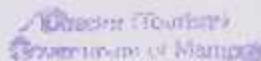
JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

Khangkhui Cave (Khangkhui Mangsor) is of the cretaceous limestone caves in Manipur historic from ancient time. This is one of the cretaceous limestone caves in Manipur. Legend is also associated with cave. Pre-historic articles and tools are found at this site. During the World Wars, locals took shelter here. It is situated near Ukhrul, the north east district headquarters of Manipur, at a scenic hill site, 15 km from Ukhrul town and 95 km from Imphal, at an altitude of 1662m (5453ft) above sea level. It is an important tourist site. Every year, a good number of tourist make this site as one of their itineraries. Now, it will become more sought-after destination with the announcement of Shirui Festival as state festival by the Government of Manipur. The Festival is the biggest festival of Nagas of Manipur and thousands of tourists make the Khangkhui Cave as their en-route to the Shirui Festival.

2. Considering the importance of the site and its easy accessibility from the district head quarter, the area has high potential for developing into a prime Tourist Spot in the State.
3. In the project, the proposal is to construct **TOURIST LODGE, TOILETS, GATEWAY, COMMUNITY HALL, CARETAKER'S QUARTER, APPROACH ROAD ETC.**
4. The project once completed will give boost to tourism sector and would provide avenues of employment and livelihood to local populace.

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