ANNEXURE: 09

JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT ON FOREST LAND

This is to certify that the demanded Reserve forest land for Drinking water tank is the most suitable place due to the hilly area of *Mirzapar* Reserve Forest S.No. 173 part. The proposed Water tank will be helpful to nearby areas like *Shiv Krupa Nagar*, *Arihant Nagar*, *Pramukh Swami Nagar* and other societies of *Bhuj* City. After 2001 earthquake these areas were developed as a result of *Bhuj* City expansion. As per records the number of living families in these areas are increasing and it is difficult to provide fundamental need like Drinking Water on a daily basis. To resolve this issue *Bhuj* Municipality is planning to make ground level drinking water tank of the capacity of 50,00,000 liters. The design of the proposed tank will be in such a way that it will use the minimum forest land and will require only 0.49 Ha. As the demanded forest land is situated very near to the affected areas, also it is adjoining to the existing water tank and sump on connecting revenue land, which makes the demanded land more convenient. Due to the hilly land nature, the *Mirzapur* Reserve Forest S.No 173 part is the only suitable land for the anticipated project.

Authorized Signatory,

Date:

Place: Bhuj - Kachchh.

Nitin N Bodat, Chief Officer,

Bhuj Nagar Sewa Sadan,

Bhuj - Kachchh.