

Ref: - 2603

Date: - 19/05/2025

To,
Dy. Conservator of Forests,
Forest Division Banaskantha,
Banskantha – Gujarat.

Subject: - Diversion of 5.052375 Ha of Protected / Reserved Forest & Wildlife Sanctuary area widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle Road Km 166/520 to 169/015 in Danta Taluka in Banaskantha district in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division Palanpur.

Ref: - RO query Letter Dated 19/10/2024 Proposal No. FP/GJ/ROAD/152654/2022.

Dear Sir,

Concerning the subject mentioned above, we are hereby submitting a copy of the wildlife clearance recommended in the 82nd meeting of the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife, which was held on 12th March 2025, under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

S No	Query Raised by Regional Office	Reply of Executive Engineer Road & Building Division Palanpur.
1	RO Query Letter No. Nil, Dated 19/10/2024, Proposal No. FP/GJ/ROAD/152654/2022. Query: - “It is requested to submit the Wildlife Clearance for the proposal from Standing Committee for National Board of Wildlife”	1. Copy of Approval by NBWL F. No.WL-6/132/2024 WL Dated 02/05/2025. 2. Copy of Demand Letter issued by DCF Office Normal Banaskantha. 3. Copy of Payment Receipt deposited by R&B Division State Palanpur – Banaskantha.

We kindly request that you consider the provided documents and initiate the process for the necessary action regarding Stage I approval at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Executive Engineer,
Road & Building Division,
Palanpur.

Enc: - AA.

ક્રમાંક: એફસીએ/૨૯-સી/બ/૨૬૧-૬૪/૨૦૨૪-૨૫

અગ્ર મુખ્ય વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી ની કચેરી,
ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, અરણ્ય ભવન બ્લોક નં. એ-૩
ચ-૩ સર્કલ સેન્ટ ઝેવિયર્સ સ્કુલ સામે,
સેક્ટર ૧૦, ગાંધીનગર, તા.૦૫/૧૦/૨૦૨૪

વિષય : Diversion of **5.052375 ha.** protected forest/reserved & Wildlife Sanctuary area Widening of Existing Road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle road KM 166/520 to 169/015 in Danta Taluka in Banaskantha District. (Online Proposal no. FP/GJ/ROAD/152654/2022)

સંદર્ભ : Regional Office, Gandhinagar Letter No. 6-GJC008/2024-GNR, dated 19/09/2024

ઉપરોક્ત વિષય અન્વયે જણાવવાનું કે, ભારત સરકારશ્રીના સંદર્ભ પત્ર(નકલ સામેલ)થી માગવામાં આવેલ પૂર્તતા મોકલી આપવા વિનંતી છે.

(ડૉ. જયપાલ સિંહ)

અધિક અગ્ર મુખ્ય વન સંરક્ષક
જમીન,
ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, ગાંધીનગર

પ્રતિ,

વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી, ઉત્તર ગુજરાત વન્યપ્રાણી વર્તુળ, ગાંધીનગર.

વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી, સા.વ.વર્તુળ, મહેસાણા

નકલ રવાના: નાયબ વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી, સા.વ.વિ., મહેસાણા તરફ જાણ સારું.

નકલ રવાના: નાયબ વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી, બનાસકાંઠા વન વિભાગ, પાલનપુર તરફ જાણ સારું.

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CHANGE



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दिनांक: 19th सितंबर, 2024

To

अपर मुख्य सचिव (वन)/The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests)

गुजरात सरकार/Govt. of Gujarat

ब्लॉक नं. 14, आठवां तल, न्यू सचिवालय

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गांधीनगर, गुजरात/Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

(प्रस्ताव संख्या: FP/GJ/ROAD/152654/2022)

विषय: Diversion of 5.052375 ha of Protected/ Reserved Forest & Wildlife Sanctuary area widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle road Km 166/520 to 169/015 in Danta Taluka in Banaskantha District in favour of Executive Engineer, R& B Division Palanpur.

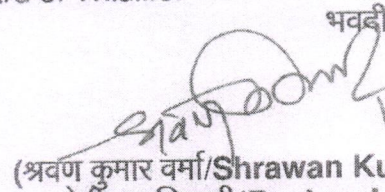
Madam/Sir,

This refers to Govt. of Gujarat letter no. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2024/0943/F dated 01.07.2024 and letter of even no. dated 10.09.2024 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change under section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

The Central Government duly examined the proposal and it has observed that the proposal needs further clarification. Thus, the State Government of Gujarat is requested to submit the following information/ documents:

1. It is requested to submit the Wildlife Clearance for the proposal from Standing Committee for National Board of Wildlife.

भवदीय/Sincerely,


(श्रवण कुमार वर्मा/Shrawan Kumar Verma)
क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी/Regional Officer (RO)

क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, गांधीनगर/Regional Office, Gandhinagar.

प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:

1. The Inspector General of Forests (Central), ROHQ Division, Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Indira paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi- 110003.
2. The PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Aranya Bhawan, Block No. A/3, Sector-10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

3. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Forest Division Banaskantha, Banaskantha, Gujarat.
4. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division Banaskantha, Banaskantha, Gujarat.
5. The Additional Assistant Engineer, R&B Division, Ambaji, Taluka- Danta, District- Banaskantha, Gujarat.
6. Guard File/ Order File.

F.No.WL-6/132/2024 WL

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Wildlife Division)

2nd Floor, Vayu Wing
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi 110003

Date: 2nd May, 2025

To,

Additional Chief Secretary,
Forest and Environment Department,
Government of Gujarat,
Secretariat, Gandhi Nagar-382010.

Sub: Proposal for use of 3.4202 ha from Balam Ambaji Sanctuary for Widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar circle road from Km 166.520 to 166.974 and km 167.177 to 168.412 by Public Works Department, District Banaskantha, Gujarat-
FP/GJ/ROAD/152654/2022.

Sir,

Reference is invited to the subject mentioned above. The above proposal was discussed in the 82nd meeting of Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 12th March, 2025 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

2. After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal with the following conditions:

- I. The User Agency shall implement the Animal Passage Plan approved by the Chief Wild Life Warden prepared on the basis of WII guidelines named Eco-friendly Measures to mitigate Impacts on Linear Infrastructures on Wildlife.
- II. The User Agency shall not violate any provisions of Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- III. The User Agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Sanctuary.
- IV. The User Agency shall not use the area for any other work other than the work permitted.
- V. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Sanctuary.
- VI. The User Agency shall have to prepare a conservation plan relevant to the biological entity affected due to the project and deposit the fund before initiating any work on the land.



- VII. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Sanctuary.
- VIII. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
- IX. The work in the Sanctuary shall be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
- X. Approval under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- XI. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates before initiating any work on the land.
- XII. The User Agency shall create adequate facilities for safe transit of wildlife across the road.
- XIII. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the User Agency to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government.

3. The minutes of the meeting have been posted online in the "PARIVESH" portal of this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,



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Email: sudheer.ch@gov.in

Copy to:

1. Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Gujarat, Sector-10/A, Aranya Bhavan, Gandhi Nagar.
2. Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Gandhinagar-382010, Gujarat.
3. Inspector General of Forests, FC Division, MoEF&CC.
4. Joint Secretary, IA Division, MoEF&CC.



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No: WLP/26/B/ 1187-91/2025-26
Office of the
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Block No.B/1, Aranya Bhavan,
Ch-3 Circle, Sector-10 A,
Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.
Date: 30/05/2025

Sub: Permission under Section – 29 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972


Proposal of use of 3.4202 ha from Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary for widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle road from km.166.520 to 166.974 and km.167.177 to 168.412 by Public Works Department, District Banaskantha, Gujarat.

- Ref:**
1. Conservator of Forests, Wildlife Circle, Gandhinagar's letter No. VPS/6/A/369-70/2023-24, dated: 11-08-2023
 2. Recommendation on single file system by SBWL Minutes date:16-09-2023
 3. This Office's letter No: WLP/32/A/804-05/2023-24, dated.27/09/2023 submitting proposal to Forest & Environment Department, Government of Gujarat.
 4. Forest & Environment Department, Government of Gujarat's Letter No.: VPS/102023/661/W, dated:23/10/2023 to the Secretary MoEF&CC.
 5. Recommendation of Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife, Circulated vide MoEF&CC, GoI's letter No.F.No.WL-6/10/2025-WL, dated:15/04/2025.
 6. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, WL Division's Letter No: WL-6/132/2024 WL, Date:02/05/2025

1. A proposal was received vide reference no.1 above for diversion of 3.4202 ha from Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary for widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle road from km.166.520 to 166.974 and km.167.177 to 168.412 in favour of Public Works Department, District Banaskantha, Gujarat.
2. The proposal was placed before the State Board for Wildlife (SBWL) in its 22nd meeting held on 24-08-2023 for consultation. The SBWL has approved and recommended the proposal in its meeting vide reference no. 2 above with certain conditions.
3. The said proposal was submitted to Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi for consideration of Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife (SCNBWL) vide reference no.3. The proposal was discussed in 82nd meeting of the Standing Committee of NBWL held on 12-03-2025. The Standing Committee of NBWL recommended the proposal vide reference no.4 with certain conditions.
4. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, WL Division, Government of India has passed an order dated 02-05-2025 in vide reference no. 6 above. The order of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, WL Division, Government of India.
5. Therefore in view of the mentioned references, the permission is hereby granted to use of 3.4202 ha from Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary for widening of existing road from Gabbar Taleti to Gabbar Circle road from km.166.520 to 166.974 and km.167.177 to 168.412 favour of Public Works Department, District Banaskantha, Gujarat subject to following conditions:

-: Conditions :-

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2. The User Agency shall not violate any provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
3. The User Agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Sanctuary.
4. The User Agency shall not use the area for any work other than the work permitted.
5. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Sanctuary.
6. A User Agency shall have to prepare a conservation plan relevant to the biological entity affected due to the project and deposit the fund before initiating any work on the land.
7. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the sanctuary.
8. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
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13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the User Agency to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government.


(Dr. Jaipal Singh)
Chief Wildlife Warden
Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.

To,
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Wildlife Circle, Gandhinagar.

Copy Submitted to: Additional Director General of Forests (WL), Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Baug Road, Ali Ganj, New Delhi for information.

Copy Submitted to: Principal Secretary, Forest and Environment Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar for information.

Copy to: Deputy Conservator of Forests, Banaskantha Forests Division, Palanpur for information and necessary action.

Copy to: The Executive Engineer, Road and Building Department (State), Joravar Palace, Palanpur for Information and necessary action.