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CORRIGENDUM NOTICE -02

No.: 04/Van-Eco Tourism-12/25- 1734

Date: 24-03-2026

EOI Name: Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar vide Ref. No. **EOI No. 01/Van/Eco Tourism-12/25-905 dated 11.02.2025** published in papers vide **PR No. – 024011 (Environment & Forest) 2025-26.**

In view of requests/ queries received and to encourage greater participation, certain modifications/ amendments in the provisions of the above EOI are made as below:

Extension of Last Date of Submission:

The last date and time for submission of EOI is extended from **25.03.2026 (15:00 Hrs.)** to **10.04.2026 (16:00 Hrs.)**.

All other terms and conditions of the EOI document shall remain unchanged. Bidders are advised to carefully review (i) the EOI and (ii) this Corrigendum, available on the Department website **<https://state.bihar.gov.in/forest>**

For any further information, please contact at efd-bih@nic.in and Mob.- 9546103130



Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Special Secretary
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Government of Bihar, Patna

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Government of Bihar



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

for

**“Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in
Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in
the State of Bihar”**

Website: <https://state.bihar.gov.in/forest/CitizenHome.html>

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February 2026

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DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this Expression of Interest (“EOI”) document, or subsequently provided to Applicants, whether verbally, in writing or in any other form, by or on behalf of the Authority or any of its officers, employees or advisers, is provided solely for the purpose of assisting Applicants in preparing their proposals and is subject to the terms and conditions set out herein and such other terms and conditions as may apply.

This EOI is not an agreement, offer or invitation by the Authority to any Applicant or any other person. The purpose of this EOI is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful in formulating their proposals pursuant to this EOI. The information contained herein includes certain assumptions, assessments, statements and analyses made by the Authority in relation to the proposed engagement. Such assumptions, assessments and statements do not purport to contain all information that may be required by each Applicant.

This EOI may not be suitable for all persons, and it is not possible for the Authority, its officers, employees or advisers to consider the individual objectives, technical expertise or specific requirements of each Applicant. Accordingly, the information contained in this EOI may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Applicant is required to conduct its own independent investigations and analysis, verify the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the information provided, and obtain independent professional advice as may be necessary.

The information contained in this EOI may include matters that require interpretation of applicable laws. Such information is not intended to be, nor should it be regarded as, an exhaustive or authoritative statement of applicable statutory or legal requirements. The Authority does not accept responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of any legal interpretation or opinion expressed or implied herein.

The Authority, its officers, employees and advisers make no representation or warranty, express or implied, and shall have no liability whatsoever to any person, including any Applicant, under any law, statute, rules or regulations, tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise, for any loss, damage, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this EOI or otherwise arising from the EOI process, including but not limited to the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability or completeness of this EOI or any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained herein.

The Authority further accepts no liability of any nature whatsoever, whether arising from negligence or otherwise, for any reliance placed by any Applicant on the statements or information contained in this EOI.

The Authority may, at its sole discretion and without any obligation, amend, update, supplement or modify the information, assessments or assumptions contained in this EOI at any time.

The issuance of this EOI does not imply that the Authority is bound to select any Applicant or to appoint a selected Applicant. The Authority reserves the right, at any stage, to reject any or all proposals, cancel or annul the EOI process, or modify the process, without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability.

All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of proposals pursuant to this EOI, including but not limited to costs incurred for preparation, copying, postage, delivery, presentations, demonstrations or any other related activities, shall be borne solely by the Applicant. The Authority shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for such costs or expenses, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the EOI process.

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EOI Schedule

The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (Authority/Department) invites responses from interested private developers, investors, operators, firms, consortia and agencies to this “**Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar**”, in accordance with the terms, conditions and manner prescribed in this EOI document.

The primary objective of this Expression of Interest (EOI) is consultative in nature, and is intended to enable the Department to understand market dynamics, investor appetite and sector perspectives, and to seek inputs from interested private developers, eco-tourism operators, investors and other tourism sector stakeholders on aspects including, but not limited to:

- project concept and sizing;
- development and operational models;
- commercial and financial viability;
- risk allocation and sustainability considerations; and
- potential public-private partnership, concession or collaborative structures.

The inputs and responses received through this EOI shall assist the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, in shaping the future strategy, project structuring, policy framework and subsequent procurement or partnership processes, if any, for Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar.

Sl.	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Issuing Authority	Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar
2	Name of Engagement	Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar
3	Availability of EOI	The EOI document shall be available on the official website of the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department / Government of Bihar. All subsequent amendments, corrigenda or addenda to the EOI shall be published only on the above-mentioned website.
4	EOI Publish Date	11/02/2026
5	Last Date and Time for Submission of EOI	11/03/2026 till 3 :00 PM
6	Date, Time and Place of Opening of EOI	11/03/2026 at 4 :00 PM at the office of the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar
7	Date and Time of Familiarization (FAM) Visits	To be notified (Indicative – proposed eco-tourism sites across Bihar)
8	Date and Time of Consultation / Workshop	To be notified (Consultative workshop / brainstorming session with shortlisted Applicants and stakeholders)
9	Proposal Validity	The proposal shall remain valid for 120 (One Hundred and Twenty) days from the Proposal Due Date

1. Introduction

The State of Bihar, widely recognised for its rich religious, historical and cultural heritage, is also endowed with significant natural resources, diverse ecosystems and unique biodiversity. In recent years, the Government of Bihar has placed strategic emphasis on harnessing this natural potential through the development of eco-tourism in a sustainable, conservation-centric and community-inclusive manner.

The Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, has identified several prominent eco-tourism destinations across the State, comprising wildlife sanctuaries, tiger reserves, wetlands, rivers, lakes, waterfalls, dams, forest landscapes and nature parks. These destinations collectively showcase Bihar's scenic beauty, wildlife wealth and ecological diversity, and offer significant opportunities for nature-based, low-impact and responsible tourism.

In line with the vision and directions of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Bihar, the State Government is further exploring and identifying additional eco-tourism locations to expand and strengthen the eco-tourism circuit across Bihar. Detailed surveys, feasibility studies and site assessments are being undertaken to ensure that new eco-tourism destinations are developed in a manner that balances visitor experience with environmental protection and long-term ecological sustainability.

The existing eco-tourism circuit includes nationally and internationally significant sites such as Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary, Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary, Kanwar Lake (Ramsar Site), bird sanctuaries, waterfalls of the Kaimur and Rohtas regions, forested hill landscapes, riverine ecosystems and urban nature parks. These sites offer diverse eco-tourism experiences including wildlife safaris, birdwatching, river and wetland tourism, nature trails, interpretation centres and outdoor recreation, while also serving as important conservation landscapes.

Recognising the need for professional planning, high-quality visitor infrastructure, efficient operations and sustainable management, the Government of Bihar proposes to develop selected eco-tourism sites through Public-Private Partnership (PPP) and other collaborative models, while retaining ownership of forest land and regulatory control with the Government and competent authorities.

Accordingly, the Government of Bihar, through its designated agency, hereby invites Expressions of Interest (Eoi) from eligible and experienced private developers, operators, investors for participation in the planning, development, financing, operation and maintenance of identified **Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar. (Details as enclosed in Annexure-I)** The objective is to leverage private sector expertise, innovation and investment to create world-class eco-tourism destinations that:

- ▶ enhance visitor experience;
- ▶ promote conservation and ecological balance;
- ▶ generate sustainable livelihoods for local and forest-dependent communities; and
- ▶ position Bihar as a leading eco-tourism destination at the national and international levels.

This Eoi seeks to assess market interest and capability, **and to identify potential partners** who share the State's vision of responsible, sustainable and conservation-led eco-tourism development in Bihar.

2. Purpose of EOI

The primary purpose of this Expression of Interest (EOI) is consultative in nature and is intended to achieve the following objectives:

- ▶ To understand market dynamics, investor appetite and sector perspectives for eco-tourism and allied projects in the Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Destination in the State of Bihar.
- ▶ To seek inputs from private developers, eco-tourism operators, investors and tourism sector stakeholders on project concepts, scale and sizing, development phasing, operational structures and suitable implementation models, including Public–Private Partnership (PPP) and other collaborative frameworks.
- ▶ To assess commercial and financial viability of eco-tourism projects, including views on revenue models, risk allocation, return expectations, affordability, and the potential requirement and structuring of Viability Gap Funding (VGF) or other forms of government support or incentives, where necessary.
- ▶ To obtain stakeholder feedback on sustainability considerations, conservation safeguards, ecological sensitivities, community participation, local livelihood integration and long-term environmental management frameworks.
- ▶ To engage with stakeholders through brainstorming sessions, workshops or stakeholder consultations, organised by the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, in coordination with relevant departments and agencies, to deliberate on draft eco-tourism frameworks, guidelines and development approaches.
- ▶ To facilitate **Familiarisation (FAM) visits** for interested applicants to selected eco-tourism sites, with the objective of providing first-hand understanding of site conditions, access, infrastructure status, ecological constraints and development potential, enabling informed and practical feedback.
- ▶ To use the inputs received through this EOI process to shape subsequent project structuring, policy decisions and future procurement processes, including issuance of RFQ/RFP or adoption of other appropriate development mechanisms, as deemed suitable by the Government of Bihar. The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar has identified a tentative list of eco-tourism destinations and sites (**as detailed in Annexure-I**), along with indicative nature-based, wildlife-related and eco-tourism activities, for potential development. The said list is indicative in nature and shall be refined and finalised based on inputs and feedback received from stakeholders through this EOI, consultations and workshops.

- ▶ **To identify potential partners who share the State’s vision of responsible, sustainable and conservation-led Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar.**

In this context, respondents are invited to provide specific inputs and suggestions on the preferred approach for project execution, including development and implementation models, operational structures, risk-sharing mechanisms, financial viability considerations, sustainability and conservation safeguards, and community participation and livelihood integration frameworks.

3. Minimum Eligibility Criteria

Applicants are required to meet the following minimum eligibility criteria. Applications failing to satisfy any of the eligibility requirements or not supported by requisite documentary evidence shall be liable to rejection. The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (“the Authority”) shall evaluate the eligibility criteria based solely on the information and documents submitted by the Applicant.

a) Legal Status



The Applicant shall be a legally registered entity in India, being any one of the following:

- A company incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013; or
- A Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) registered under the LLP Act, 2008; or
- A registered partnership firm; or
- A sole proprietorship firm.

The Applicant shall submit valid proof of registration of the legal entity, such as Certificate of Incorporation/Registration, Memorandum and Articles of Association, Partnership Deed, GST Registration Certificate, Udyam Registration or any other statutory document evidencing legal existence.

b) Financial Capacity – Turnover

The Applicant should have a minimum **average annual turnover of INR 25.00 crs** (Rupees Twenty-Five Crore only) during the last **three (3) financial years**, namely:

- FY 2022–23
- FY 2023–24
- FY 2024-25

The Applicant shall submit:

- Audited financial statements (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Account) for the above financial years; and
- A certificate from a Statutory Auditor / Chartered Accountant certifying the average annual turnover for the last three financial years.

c) Relevant Experience

The Applicant should have successfully executed or operated at least **three (3) projects** in the last **five (5) years** preceding the date of issue of this EOI, in one or more of the following areas:

- Eco-tourism or nature-based tourism projects;
- Adventure tourism activities (land-based, water-based or air-based), where applicable;
- Tourism infrastructure development and/or operation in forest, wildlife, natural or environmentally sensitive areas;
- Operation and management of tourism, leisure, outdoor recreation or visitor facilities.

Experience may be with Government departments, statutory bodies, public sector undertakings or private sector clients.

The Applicant shall submit copies of work orders, completion certificates, operation certificates, or a certificate from the Statutory Auditor clearly indicating the scope, nature and period of the assignment.

d) Blacklisting Declaration

The Applicant shall submit an undertaking confirming that it has **not been blacklisted or debarred** by any Central Government, State Government, statutory authority, public sector undertaking or court of law in India during the last **five (5) years** preceding the date of submission of the EOI.

e) Statutory Registrations

The Applicant shall possess:

- A valid Permanent Account Number (PAN); and
- A valid Goods and Services Tax Identification Number (GSTIN),

as on the date of submission of the EOI. Copies of PAN and GST registration certificates shall be furnished.

f) Sectoral Capability

The Applicant may be a regional, national or international tourism sector operator, developer or service provider, with a demonstrated track record in planning, development, operation or management of tourism, eco-tourism, nature-based tourism, adventure tourism or allied projects, commensurate with the size, complexity and ecological sensitivity of the proposed projects in Bihar.

g) Net Worth

The Applicant shall have a **positive net worth** as on **31 March 2024**.

A certificate from a Statutory Auditor / Chartered Accountant certifying the net worth of the Applicant as on the said date shall be submitted along with the financial documents.

4. Selection Process

The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (“the Authority”) shall constitute a Screening Committee for the purpose of examining and evaluating the applications received in response to this Expression of Interest (EOI).

a) Screening and Shortlisting

The Screening Committee shall scrutinise the applications based on the minimum eligibility criteria and supporting documents submitted by the Applicants. Only those Applicants who meet the eligibility requirements to the satisfaction of the Authority shall be shortlisted.

b) Consultative Engagement

Applicants shortlisted by the Screening Committee may be invited to participate in consultative meetings, workshops, presentations, brainstorming sessions and/or site familiarisation visits, as may be organised by the Authority, to:

- understand market perspectives and implementation challenges;
- obtain inputs on project structuring, development models and operational frameworks; and
- refine the eco-tourism development approach for the identified sites in Bihar.

The schedule, format and venue of such interactions shall be communicated separately to the shortlisted Applicants.

c) Site Familiarisation

The Authority may, at its discretion, organise site visits or **Familiarisation (FAM)** trips to select eco-tourism locations for shortlisted Applicants to enable them to gain first-hand understanding of site conditions, ecological sensitivities and development potential.

Unless otherwise specified by the Authority, costs related to travel, accommodation and incidental expenses shall be borne by the Applicants.

d) Non-Binding Nature of EOI

This EOI is issued solely for consultative and exploratory purposes, to gather inputs, ideas and market feedback from interested stakeholders.

The Authority reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to:

- proceed with the development of eco-tourism projects through PPP mode, concession model, joint venture, EPC, management contract or any other model;
- modify, defer or abandon the proposed approach; or
- issue a separate Request for Qualification (RFQ), Request for Proposal (RFP) or any other procurement document at a later stage.

Participation in this EOI shall not confer any right or claim upon any Applicant for selection, appointment or award of any project.

e) Subsequent Procurement Process (RFQ/RFP)

Based on the inputs, suggestions and market feedback received through this EOI, the Authority, may, at its discretion, formulate and issue subsequent procurement documents, including a Request for Qualification (RFQ) and/or Request for Proposal (RFP), for the development, operation and management of eco-tourism and allied projects at the Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination.

Participation in this EOI is purely consultative and non-binding in nature and shall not create any right, claim or entitlement in favour of any Applicant.

Any subsequent process, including the issuance of RFQ and/or RFP, may include Applicants who have responded to or been shortlisted pursuant to this EOI, but may not be restricted solely to them, and the Authority reserves the right to invite participation from any other eligible entities, as it may deem appropriate, in furtherance of the project objectives.

5. Submission of Application

5.1 Address for Communication

All communications, including the submission of Applications, shall be addressed to:

To,

Chief Conservator of Forest-Cum-Special Secretary
Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department
Government of Bihar
Patna, Bihar.

Email: efd-bih@nic.in

All communications, including the envelopes, shall clearly bear the following inscription at the top in bold letters: **“Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar ”**

The envelope containing the Application shall be submitted by Hand Delivery / Courier / Registered Post / Speed Post / Email (as permitted under the EOI) at the above address on or before the Application Due Date specified in this EOI. Applications received after the Application Due Date shall not be entertained.

5.2 Submission of Documents

The Applicant shall submit all documents in the specified formats as provided in the Annexures to

this EOI, duly completed and signed, on or before the Application Due Date. Incomplete Applications or Applications not submitted in the prescribed format may be liable for rejection at the discretion of the Authority. The list of documents shall include the following and limited to the required information, as sought for.

- i. Annexure A – Cover Letter
- ii. Annexure B – Details of Applicant
- iii. Annexure C – Format for Experience of Applicant
- iv. Annexure D – Financial Capacity of Applicant
- v. Annexure E – Power of Attorney for Signing of Proposal
- vi. Annexure F – Declaration of Non-Blacklisting by the Bidder
- vii. Annexure G – Concept Note
- viii. Annexure H – Project Assessment & Development Queries
- ix. Annexure I – Project Details

5.3 Power of Attorney and Authorised Signatory

The Applicant shall submit a Power of Attorney, in the format provided at Annexure-E, authorising the signatory of the Application. The Application must be duly signed by the Authorised Representative, as detailed below:

a) Sole Proprietorship

If the sole proprietor himself/herself signs the Application, submission of Power of Attorney shall not be required.

However, if the Application is signed by any other person, a Power of Attorney in the prescribed format shall be submitted.

b) Partnership Firm / Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)

The Application shall be signed by a Partner or by a duly authorised person holding a valid Power of Attorney.

c) Company

The Application shall be signed by a duly authorised person holding a valid Power of Attorney, supported by a Board Resolution or other authorisation as applicable.

5.4 Verification of Documents

The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, reserves the right to seek original documents for verification or to call for additional documents or clarifications, at any stage of the EOI process, including upon opening or evaluation of Applications.

Failure to furnish such documents or clarifications within the stipulated time may result in rejection of the Application.

5.5 Language of Application

The Application and all related correspondence and documents shall be submitted in the English language. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished in any other language shall be accompanied by a true and accurate English translation, duly certified. In case of any discrepancy or conflict, the English version shall prevail for the purpose of interpretation and evaluation.

Documents not accompanied by an English translation may not be considered.



6. Amendments to EOI & Extension of Application Due Date

6.1 Amendment to EOI Document

At any time prior to the Application Due Date, as indicated in the Schedule of this EOI, the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (the “Authority”) may, for any reason, whether on its own initiative or in response to clarifications sought by any Applicant, amend, modify or supplement this EOI Document by issuance of Addenda / Corrigenda.

Any such Addenda / Corrigenda shall be published only on the official website of the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (or any other portal as specified in the EOI), and the same shall form an integral part of this EOI Document and shall be binding on all Applicants.

6.2 Extension of Application Due Date

In order to provide Applicants reasonable time to take into account the Addenda / Corrigenda, or for any other reason, the Authority may, at its sole discretion, extend the Application Due Date.

Information regarding any extension of the Application Due Date shall be notified only through the official website or portal of the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, and Applicants are advised to regularly monitor the same.

7. Late Application

Applications received after the Application Due Date and time, as specified in this EOI Document or as extended through Addenda / Corrigenda, shall not be accepted or entertained under any circumstances.

The Authority shall not be responsible for any delay in submission of Applications due to postal delay, courier delay, electronic transmission failure, or any other reason whatsoever.

8. Cost of Application

The Applicants shall be solely responsible for all costs, expenses and liabilities associated with the preparation, submission and presentation of their Applications and for participation in the Empanelment Process, including but not limited to costs relating to site visits, meetings, negotiations, workshops, presentations and interactions with the Authority.

The Authority shall not be responsible or liable, in any manner whatsoever, for any such costs or expenses incurred by any Applicant, regardless of the conduct, outcome or cancellation of the Empanelment Process.

9. Right to Reject any or all Application

9.1 Notwithstanding anything contained in this EOI Document, the Authority reserves the absolute right, at its sole discretion, to accept or reject any Application, and to annul or cancel the EOI Process and reject all Applications, at any stage, without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability or obligation to any Applicant or any other person.

9.2 The Authority reserves the right to verify, at any time, all statements, information, documents and declarations submitted by the Applicant in response to this EOI. Any such verification or lack thereof by the Authority shall not relieve the Applicant of its obligations or liabilities under this EOI, nor shall it affect the rights of the Authority under this EOI or applicable law.



10. Other Terms & Conditions

10.1 The issue of this Expression of Interest (EOI) does not imply that the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar (the “Authority”) is bound to select or shortlist any Applicant. The Authority reserves the absolute right to accept or reject any or all Applications received in response to this EOI, without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability to any Applicant.

10.2 The Authority further reserves the right to engage, appoint or empanel any other agency, developer, operator or entity, at any time, as may be required for the purposes of eco-tourism and allied projects, independently of this EOI process.

10.3 Mere participation in this EOI process shall not confer any right or entitlement upon any Applicant for allocation of work, award of project, or participation in any subsequent bidding or selection process.

10.4 Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to it, the Authority may modify, suspend, cancel or terminate this EOI process, in whole or in part, at any time, without assigning any reason thereof and without any liability to any Applicant.

10.5 All disputes, differences or claims arising out of or in connection with this EOI or the EOI process shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the competent courts situated within the State of Bihar.



Annexure A – Cover Letter

(To be signed and submitted by the Bidder's authorized signatory on Bidder's Letter Head)

To,
Chief Conservator of Forest-Cum-Special Secretary
Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department
Government of Bihar
Patna, Bihar.

Subject: Submission of Application in response to “**Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar**”

Sir,

I/We hereby submit our Application in response to the above-mentioned Expression of Interest (EOI) issued by the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar.

1. I/We confirm that I/we have carefully examined the EOI document in detail and fully understood the objectives, scope, terms and conditions of the said EOI. I/We understand that this EOI is consultative and non-binding in nature and does not constitute an agreement or an offer by the Department to any party.
2. This Application is being submitted for the express purpose of participation in the consultative EOI process for partnering with the Department in the development and operation of eco-tourism and allied projects in the State of Bihar.
3. I/We undertake to make available to the Authority any additional information, clarification or documentation that may be required to supplement, verify or authenticate the information provided in this Application.
4. I/We certify that, during the last three (3) years, I/we have not failed to perform on any contract as evidenced by the imposition of any penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority, nor have we been blacklisted, expelled from any project, or had any contract terminated by any public authority due to breach on our part.
5. I/We understand that the Authority reserves the right to cancel, modify or withdraw the EOI process at any stage, and that it is not bound to accept any Application or to invite any Applicant for further engagement, without incurring any liability whatsoever.
6. I/We confirm that this Application is consistent with all submission requirements specified in the EOI document and any subsequent communications issued by the Authority. I/We acknowledge that I/we shall be solely responsible for any errors, omissions or misstatements in the Application.
7. I/We further understand that the Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Applications and to annul the EOI process, in whole or in part, at its discretion and without assigning any reason.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,



Signature of Authorized Signatory

Name:

Designation:

Name of the Entity / Firm:

Seal:



Annexure B – Details of Applicant

(To be signed and submitted by the Bidder's authorized signatory on Bidder's Letter Head)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Details to be filled by the Bidder	Supporting Documents to be Submitted
1	Name of the Applicant / Bidder		Certificate of Incorporation / Registration
2	Status of the Applicant (Company / LLP / Partnership Firm / Sole Proprietorship / Others – specify)		Registration Certificate / Deed
3	Registered Office Address		Proof of Address (Registration Certificate / Utility Bill)
4	Corporate / Head Office Address (if different)		Address Proof
5	Contact Details of Authorized Signatory	Name: Designation: Mobile No.: Email ID:	Authorization Letter / Board Resolution
6	PAN of the Applicant		Self-attested copy of PAN Card
7	GST Registration Number		GST Registration Certificate
8	Year of Incorporation / Establishment		Incorporation / Registration Document
9	Number of Years of Relevant Experience (Eco-tourism / Tourism / Event / Hospitality / Allied Sectors – specify)		Self-declaration / Experience Certificates
10	Details of Offices (Registered / Branch / Site Offices)	Address of each office	Address proof / Lease Agreement
11	Manpower Details (including technical, managerial and operational staff)	Total Manpower: Key Personnel:	Organization chart / CVs (if required)
12	Nature of Business Activities		Company Profile / Brochure
13	Any Blacklisting / Litigation History (Yes / No)	If Yes, details	Self-declaration / Affidavit
14	Details of Authorized Representative for this EOI	Name & Designation	Power of Attorney / Authorization
15	Additional Information (if any)		Relevant Supporting Documents

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Signature of Authorized Signatory

Name:

Designation:

Name of the Entity / Firm:

Seal:



Annexure C – Format for Experience of Applicant

(To be signed and submitted by the Bidder's authorized signatory on Bidder's Letter Head)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Details to be Filled by the Applicant
1	Name & Type of Project	
2	Sector / Nature of Assignment (Eco-tourism / Tourism / Hospitality / Events / PPP / Infrastructure / Others – specify)	
3	Location of the Project	
4	Name of the Client / Authority	
5	Address of the Client	
6	Contact Details of Client (Name, Designation, Phone, Email)	
7	Scope / Details of Work Undertaken	
8	Mode of Engagement (Consultancy / EPC / PPP / O&M / Advisory / Others)	
9	Date of Commencement of Assignment	
10	Date of Completion of Assignment (or "Ongoing")	
11	Current Status of the Project	Completed / Ongoing
12	Supporting Document Reference	Work Order / Agreement / Completion Certificate

Instructions for Submission of Experience Details

- a) **The Applicant shall submit a separate Appendix / Experience Sheet for each assignment for which experience is being claimed, in the prescribed format.**
- b) Experience of the parent company, subsidiary(ies), associate company(ies) or group entities of the Applicant shall not be considered for evaluation. Only the experience of the Applicant entity submitting the EOI shall be eligible.
- c) The experience claimed for each assignment shall be supported by documentary evidence, such as a copy of the work order / contract agreement and/or completion certificate / satisfactory performance certificate issued by the respective client.
- d) The documentary evidence submitted under clause (c) above shall be considered collectively for the purpose of evaluation of the Applicant's experience.



Annexure D – Financial Capacity of Applicant

Sl. No.	Particulars	FY 2022–23	FY 2023–24	FY 2024–25
1	Annual Turnover (₹ in Crores)			
2	Average Annual Turnover for Last Three (3) Financial Years (₹ in Crores)			
3	Net Worth as on 31.03.2025 (₹ in Crores)			

Notes:

1. The Applicant shall attach certified copies of the Annual Audited Balance Sheets, Profit & Loss Statements and Income Tax Returns for the last three (3) financial years, i.e., FY 2022–23, FY 2023–24 and FY 2024-25.
2. The financial information furnished above shall be certified by the Statutory Auditor or a Chartered Accountant, along with name, signature, seal and registration number.
3. In case the Applicant is a newly incorporated entity and audited accounts for all three years are not available, financial details for the available years shall be submitted, supported by a certificate from the Statutory Auditor/Chartered Accountant.

Certified by:

Signature of Statutory Auditor / Chartered Accountant

Name of the Authorized Signatory: _____

Seal & Registration No.: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____



Annexure E – Power of Attorney for Signing of Proposal

(To be executed on a Stamp Paper of INR 100; To be Notarized)

Know all men by these presents, **We**, _____, a _____ (name and legal status of the Applicant) having its registered office at _____, do hereby irrevocably constitute, nominate, appoint and authorise **Mr./Ms.** _____, son/daughter/wife of _____, presently residing at _____, who is presently employed with us and holding the position/designation of _____, as our true and lawful attorney (hereinafter referred to as the “**Attorney**”), to do in our name and on our behalf all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary or required in connection with or incidental to the submission of our Application for the “**Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar**”, invited by the **Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar**.

Without limitation, the Attorney is hereby authorised to:

- a) sign, submit and modify the Application, proposals, bids and all other documents and writings required under the EOI;
- b) participate in pre-bid meetings, workshops, site visits, discussions and conferences related to the EOI;
- c) furnish clarifications, information, undertakings and responses sought by the Authority;
- d) represent us in all interactions, communications and proceedings before the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, or any of its authorised representatives;
- e) sign and execute all agreements, contracts, declarations, undertakings and related documents consequent upon acceptance of our Application; and
- f) generally do all acts, deeds and things in connection with or incidental to or arising out of the EOI process and/or award of the project(s), up to and including execution of relevant agreements.

AND we hereby agree to ratify, confirm and affirm all acts, deeds and things lawfully done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney, and declare that all such acts, deeds and things shall be deemed to have been done by us and shall be binding upon us.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We, _____, the above-named Principal, have executed this Power of Attorney on this ____ **day of** _____, **20**.

For and on behalf of

(Name of the Applicant Entity)

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Seal of the Applicant

Accepted

Signature of the Attorney: _____

Name: _____



Designation: _____

Address: _____

Note

- The Power of Attorney shall be executed in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down under the applicable laws and the charter documents of the executant(s). Where required, the Power of Attorney shall be executed under the common seal of the entity, affixed in accordance with the prescribed procedure.
- Wherever applicable, the Applicant/Bidder shall submit, for verification, certified extracts of its charter documents and such authorisations as may be required, including but not limited to a Board Resolution and/or Shareholders' Resolution or a separate Power of Attorney, authorising the person executing this Power of Attorney to delegate the powers herein on behalf of the Applicant/Bidder.



Annexure F – Declaration of Non-Blacklisting by the Bidder

(To be signed and submitted by the Bidder's authorized signatory on Bidder's Letter Head)

In response to the above-mentioned Expression of Interest (EOI), I/We hereby solemnly declare and affirm that M/s _____ (Name of the Applicant / Firm / Company) is not blacklisted, debarred or banned, as on the date of submission of this EOI, by any Court of Law, Tribunal, Statutory Authority, Central Government, State Government, Public Sector Undertaking (PSU), Autonomous Body or any Government agency in India.

I/We further declare that all information, declarations and documents submitted along with the EOI are true, correct, complete and genuine, and nothing material has been concealed or misrepresented.

I/We understand and agree that if, at any stage, any of the information or declaration furnished by us is found to be false, misleading, incorrect or forged, in whole or in part, then without prejudice to any other action that may be taken under law, the Authority shall be entitled to disqualify our application, cancel our participation in the EOI process, and/or terminate any engagement or contract that may have been awarded to us.

I/We further agree that, in such an event, the Authority shall have the right to ban or blacklist our firm/entity for such period as it may deem fit, and I/We shall have no claim whatsoever against the Authority for consideration of our EOI or for any loss or damage arising therefrom.

Signature of Authorized Signatory

Name:

Designation:

Name of the Entity / Firm:

Seal:



Annexure G – Concept Note

To,
Chief Conservator of Forest-Cum-Special Secretary
Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department
Government of Bihar
Patna, Bihar.

Subject: Submission of Concept Note in response to “**Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar** ”

Sir,

In response to the **Expression of Interest (EOI)** issued by the **Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar**, for “*Expression of Interest (EOI) for Partnering with the Department in Development and Operation of Bhimbandh Eco-tourism Destination in the State of Bihar* ”, vide **EOI Reference No. _____ dated _____**, we hereby submit our **Concept Note** for your kind consideration.

The enclosed Concept Note has been prepared in good faith after carefully studying and understanding the objectives, scope and intent of the EOI document, and keeping in view the conservation-led, sustainable and community-centric eco-tourism vision of the Government of Bihar. The Concept Note reflects our preliminary understanding of the eco-tourism potential of the identified locations and proposes indicative development approaches, project concepts and operational models in alignment with applicable laws, forest and wildlife regulations, and environmental safeguards.

Yours faithfully,

Signature of Authorized Signatory

Name:

Designation:

Name of the Entity / Firm:

Seal:

Note:

Each Applicant shall be invited to make a presentation on their proposed Concept Note before the Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar, and its authorised representatives. The schedule, mode and other details of such presentation shall be communicated to the Applicants separately at a later stage.

Annexure H – Project Assessment & Development Queries

(To be signed and submitted by the Bidder's authorized signatory on Bidder's Letter Head)

The Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Bihar seeks detailed inputs from interested private developers, operators, investors and sector stakeholders on the following aspects. The objective of these queries is consultative in nature, to understand market perspectives, practical challenges and best practices for shaping sustainable, conservation-centric and community-based eco-tourism development in the State.

1. Development, Operational & Financial Model for the Eco Tourism Projects

Please share your views on the suitability, feasibility and effectiveness of various development and operational models for eco-tourism destination in Bhimbandh. In particular, respondents are invited to provide inputs on the following aspects:

- ▶ Appropriateness of different project structuring models such as Public–Private Partnership (PPP), concession, lease, DBFOT, management contract, revenue-sharing, or hybrid models, considering ecological sensitivity, scale of investment and long-term sustainability.
- ▶ Recommended capital investment framework, including the role of Viability Gap Funding (VGF), capital subsidy, grant support, or phased development approaches to improve project bankability in eco-sensitive and low-footfall locations.
- ▶ Preferred revenue models, including user fee–based revenues, accommodation and activity revenues, lease rentals, revenue sharing with the Government, annuity-based models, or mixed revenue streams.
- ▶ Allocation of project risks (construction, demand, environmental compliance, O&M, force majeure) between the Government and private partner under different models.
- ▶ Tenure and exit mechanisms best suited for eco-tourism projects to balance investor confidence with conservation and public interest objectives.
- ▶ Any innovative financing, structuring or incentive mechanisms that could enhance financial viability, ensure responsible operations, and promote private sector participation while safeguarding ecological integrity and community interests.

2. Integration with Existing Tourism & Local Ecosystems

Should eco-tourism facilities be developed as stand-alone, low-impact nature destinations, or would it be more effective to integrate them with existing tourism circuits, forest guest houses, government facilities, local homestays and nearby towns?

How can such integration enhance visitor experience, reduce infrastructure duplication and strengthen linkages with local communities and livelihoods?

3. Eco-Tourism Facilities and Visitor Experience Design

What core facilities should be provided at eco-tourism sites to attract diverse visitor segments while maintaining ecological balance?

These may include nature trails, interpretation centres, bird-watching infrastructure, boating (where permissible), camping zones, eco-friendly accommodation, viewing decks, nature education spaces, local craft outlets and visitor information centres.

Please suggest facilities that add value without compromising conservation objectives.

4. Accommodation & Stay Options

In your view, should eco-tourism sites include on-site accommodation such as eco-lodges, cottages, tents or community-run homestays, or should accommodation be primarily developed outside core forest areas



with controlled access to sensitive zones?

Please share insights on appropriate models that balance visitor comfort, carrying capacity, environmental safeguards and local participation.

5. Regulatory, Environmental & Statutory Framework

Please outline key statutory approvals and clearances required for development and operation of eco-tourism projects in Bihar, including forest and wildlife permissions, environmental clearances, tourism approvals and local administrative permissions.

What regulatory challenges are typically faced, and how can project structuring address these efficiently while ensuring full compliance?

6. Safety, Risk Management & Operational Standards

What measures should be adopted to ensure visitor safety and responsible operations in eco-tourism destinations, including safety protocols, trained guides, emergency response mechanisms, insurance coverage, liability management and visitor awareness?

Please share best practices relevant to forest, nature-based & wild life tourism.

7. Sustainability, Conservation & Community Participation

What strategies should be adopted to ensure eco-tourism contributes positively to forest conservation, biodiversity protection and climate resilience, while also generating sustainable livelihoods for local communities?

Please suggest mechanisms for community engagement, benefit-sharing, capacity building and local entrepreneurship.

8. Key Success Factors and Market Positioning

Based on your experience, what factors will be critical to the success of eco-tourism initiatives in Bihar?

Please share insights on market positioning, visitor expectations, operational efficiency, seasonality management, conservation messaging and long-term sustainability.

9. Any Other Suggestions

Applicants may provide any additional suggestions, innovative ideas or recommendations that could strengthen eco-tourism planning, policy framework and project implementation in Bihar.

Note

The inputs received through this EOI shall be used solely for policy formulation, project conceptualisation and structuring of future eco-tourism initiatives. Submission of responses under this EOI does not create any obligation on the part of the Government of Bihar to award any project or enter into any agreement.



Annexure-I: Project Details

1. Introduction

The current proposal envisages a comprehensive and integrated eco-tourism development initiative for Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary, covering an area of approximately 681 sq. km spread across the districts of Munger, Lakhisarai and parts of Jamui. Bhimbandh Sanctuary is endowed with unique natural hot water springs, extensive forest cover, rich biodiversity, scenic hill landscapes and a range of historic, cultural and nature-based attractions, which together constitute the core strengths and distinctive identity of the region.

The natural hot water springs, occurring at multiple locations within and around Bhimbandh, represent a unique natural asset and a key differentiator for eco-tourism and wellness-based experiences. In addition, the sanctuary encompasses several natural, scenic and heritage locations, offering significant potential for nature tourism, adventure tourism, interpretation and experiential travel.

The development strategy is anchored around an integrated eco-tourism circuit comprising Bhimbandh – Kukurjhap – Kharagpur Lake, conceived as the three principal nodes of tourism activity. As part of this strategy, Kharagpur Lake is proposed to be developed as an iconic destination for water-based recreation, low-impact water sports and adventure tourism, subject to environmental safeguards and statutory approvals.

The overall approach follows a conservation-led, community-centric and sustainability-oriented framework, with emphasis on ecological balance, regulated visitor management, livelihood generation for local communities and adoption of best practices in eco-tourism development. The project is proposed to be implemented through public and public–private partnership (PPP) models, enabling professional planning, development and operations while ensuring that conservation objectives, forest regulations and community interests remain paramount.

The following eco-tourism sites have been identified within the Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary for phased and sustainable eco-tourism development, subject to statutory approvals and environmental safeguards:

1. **Kharagpur Jhil Eco-Tourism Site**

A prominent waterbody with high potential for low-impact water-based recreation, nature interpretation and adventure tourism activities.

2. **Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site**

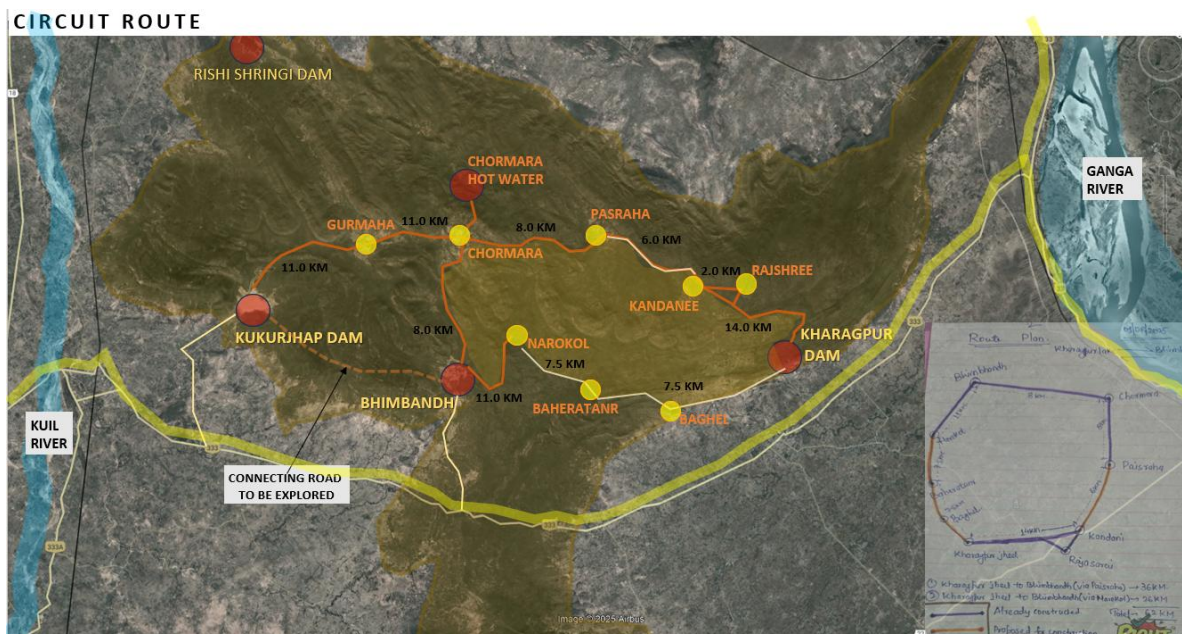
Located in the core Bhimbandh area, known for natural hot water springs, forest landscapes and biodiversity-based tourism experiences.

3. **Kukurjhap Dam Eco-Tourism Site**

A scenic reservoir offering opportunities for nature-based recreation, controlled water activities and eco-tourism infrastructure development.

4. **Chormara Forest Eco-Tourism Site**

A forest-rich area suitable for guided nature trails, wildlife interpretation, eco-camps and community-based tourism initiatives.



2. Kharagpur Jhil Eco-Tourism Site

Description:

Kharagpur Jhil is a large natural lake set amidst forested and hilly terrain, making it a key eco-tourism location within the Bhimbandh forest landscape. The lake supports rich wetland biodiversity, including migratory bird species and diverse aquatic life, and plays an important role in maintaining ecological balance and groundwater recharge in the region. Its scenic natural surroundings and tranquil forest setting provide strong potential for eco-tourism activities such as non-motorised boating, bird watching, guided nature walks and environmental education. The site also offers scope for the development of low-impact, eco-friendly infrastructure and community-based tourism initiatives, particularly during the peak visitation season from October to March.



Location:

Kharagpur Jhil Eco-Tourism Site is located at Haveli Kharagpur in Munger district, Bihar.

Road Connectivity:

The site is situated approximately 6 km from National Highway-333 (Jamui–Bariyarpur Road) and is accessible via existing Public Works Department (PWD) and rural road networks.

Rail Connectivity:

The nearest railway station is Bariyarpur Railway Station, located at an approximate distance of 25 km. Jamui Railway Station is about 45 km from the site.

Air Connectivity:

The nearest airport is Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport, Patna (Bihar), located approximately 217 km from Kharagpur Jhil.

Proximity to Major Locations:

- Jamui – approximately 50 km
- Patna – approximately 210 km
- Nagi–Nakti Bird Sanctuary (Jamui) – approximately 50 km

Local Infrastructure:

Basic tourism infrastructure, including hotels, lodges, restaurants and guest houses, is available in and around Kharagpur town, located about 6 km from the site.

Proposed Land Area:

The proposed development area comprises land under the Irrigation Department and/or within the wildlife sanctuary. Development shall be subject to statutory approvals, including forest and wildlife clearances, as applicable.

Indicative Project Components:

- Lake-based water sports and recreation facilities
- Eco-resort with cottages and admin blocks
- Mountain deck with viewpoints, tea stalls & children’s play areas
- Adventure activities including two-way zip-liner
- Bhawracol fish therapy centre near the lake
- Landscaped leisure zones and trekking routes
- Nature/ Wildlife Interpretation Centre

3. Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site

Description:

Bhimbandh is a scenic eco-tourism destination located amidst the dense forests of the Kharagpur hills, approximately 50 km from the district headquarters. Surrounded by forested hills, natural waterfalls and tranquil landscapes, the area offers a rich natural setting for eco-tourism.

As per local tradition and references in the *Mahabharata*, Bhima, one of the Pandava brothers, is believed to have constructed a dam at this location, from which the site derives its name “Bhimbandh.” The region is also renowned for its natural hot water springs, which are spread across the area and attract visitors throughout the year.

Visitors to Bhimbandh engage in activities such as nature walks, bathing in the hot springs, scenic viewing, photography, bird watching and interpretation of the site’s natural, ecological and cultural heritage. These features make Bhimbandh a prominent eco-tourism and nature-based recreation destination within the sanctuary.



Location:

Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site is located in the south-western part of Munger district in the State of Bihar, within the Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary.

Road Connectivity:

The site is situated at an approximate distance of 11 km from National Highway-333 (Jamui–Bariyarpur Road) and is accessible through existing Public Works Department (PWD) and rural connecting roads.

Nearest Railway Station:

The nearest railway station is Jamui Railway Station, located at an approximate distance of 30 km from the Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site.

Nearest Airport:

The nearest airport is Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport, Patna (Bihar), located at an approximate distance of 200 km.

Distance from Major Locations:

- Jamui – Nagi Nakti Dam: approximately 37 km
- Patna: approximately 190 km

Local Infrastructure:

Basic tourism infrastructure such as hotels, lodges, restaurants and guest houses is available at Kharagpur Town, located approximately 26 km from the Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site. In addition, two government guest houses are available within the Bhimbandh campus.

Proposed Area:

The proposed development area falls within the notified sanctuary area. All proposed activities shall be subject to applicable forest and wildlife clearances and approvals from competent authorities.

Indicative Project Components:

- Hot and cold water spring development with bathing lakes
- Wellness & Spa Centre (hot spring spa, Ayurveda-based therapies)
- Eco-cottages and tree house accommodation
- Forest Experience Centre, interpretation gallery & workshop/training centre

- Cafeteria, administration block, auditorium & indoor activity areas
- Landscaped gardens, orchid & fruit zones
- Elevated natural trails, trekking routes, viewpoints & bird-watch towers
- Jungle joy rides (EV/horse/bullock cart-based)
- Forest adventure activities (rope courses, zip-lining near Belatand)

4. Kukurjhap Dam Eco-Tourism Site

Description:

Kukurjhap Dam, located in Jamui district, is set amidst dense forest cover, rolling hills and a pristine natural environment, making it an attractive destination for nature-based recreation and eco-tourism. The reservoir offers opportunities for boating and passive recreation, while the surrounding forest landscape supports rich biodiversity, including a notable population of peacocks and other wildlife. Occasional sightings of crocodiles within the reservoir add to the ecological significance of the site, with forest and district authorities ensuring appropriate safety and visitor management measures. The overall setting highlights strong potential for developing a well-regulated, conservation-oriented eco-tourism destination.



Location:

The Kukurjhap Dam Eco-Tourism Site is located in Barhat Block of Jamui district, Bihar.

Road Connectivity:

The site is situated at an approximate distance of 7 km from National Highway-333 (Jamui–Bariyarpur Road) and is accessible through existing Public Works Department (PWD) and rural connecting roads.

Nearest Railway Station:

Jamui Railway Station, located at an approximate distance of 13 km.

Nearest Airport:

Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport, Patna (Bihar), located at an approximate distance of 180 km.

Distance from Major Locations:

- Jamui – Nagi Nakti Dam: approximately 36 km
- Patna: approximately 175 km

Local Infrastructure:

Hotels, lodges, restaurants and guest houses are available in Jamui town, located approximately 16 km from the proposed site.

Proposed Area:

The proposed development area falls within the notified sanctuary area. All activities shall be subject to forest and wildlife clearances and approvals from competent authorities.

Indicative Project Components:

- Crocodile reserve and spotting points
- Entry plaza with parking and ticketing
- Interpretation gallery and nature education facilities
- Recreational areas, children’s play zone & food plaza
- Rest house with viewing decks
- Dam-side viewpoints and nature trails

5. Chormara Forest Eco-Tourism Site

Description:

Chormara Forest, located within the Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary range in Jamui district, possesses strong potential for development as a conservation-oriented eco-tourism destination. The area is characterised by dense forest cover, rugged hill terrain and high biodiversity, supporting wildlife such as leopards, sloth bears, sambar deer and a wide variety of resident and migratory bird species. These attributes make it particularly attractive for nature enthusiasts, wildlife observers and trekking activities.

The presence of natural hot water springs in the surrounding valleys and foothills, along with historical and mythological associations linked to the Mahabharata period, further enhance the site’s uniqueness and visitor appeal. With appropriate regulation, community participation and alignment with Government-led eco-tourism initiatives, Chormara Forest offers significant scope for sustainable development that promotes conservation, nature education and local livelihoods while preserving the ecological integrity of the sanctuary.



Location:

The Chormara Forest Eco-Tourism Site is located within the Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary range in Jamui district, Bihar.

Road Connectivity:

The site is situated at an approximate distance of 15 km from National Highway-333 (Jamui–Bariyarpur Road) and is accessible through existing Public Works Department (PWD) and rural connecting roads.

Nearest Railway Station:

Jamui Railway Station, located at an approximate distance of 20 km.

Nearest Airport:

Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport, Patna (Bihar), located at an approximate distance of 190 km.

Distance from Major Locations:

- Jamui – Nagi Nakti Dam: approximately 36 km
- Patna: approximately 190 km

Local Infrastructure:

Hotels, lodges, restaurants and guest houses are available in Jamui town, located approximately 16 km from the proposed site.

Proposed Area:

The proposed development area falls within the notified sanctuary area. All eco-tourism activities shall be subject to forest and wildlife clearances and approvals from competent authorities.

Indicative Project Components:

- Yog Gram (Yoga & meditation village)
- Ayurvedic village and wellness retreat
- Spa and wellness centre integrated with forest setting
- Nature-based accommodation and eco-activities

Sl. No.	Eco-Tourism Site	Key Location & Setting	Key Natural / Tourism Attributes (USP)	Access & Connectivity	Potential Eco-Tourism Activities	Regulatory Status
1	Kharagpur Jhil Eco-Tourism Site	Haveli Kharagpur, Munger District	Large natural lake surrounded by forest and hilly terrain; rich wetland biodiversity including migratory birds and aquatic life; important for ecological balance and groundwater recharge	~6 km from NH-333; ~25 km from Bariyarpur Railway Station; ~217 km from Patna Airport	Boating (non-motorised), bird watching, nature walks, environmental education, community-based tourism (seasonal: Oct–Mar)	Irrigation Dept. land / Sanctuary area; subject to forest & wildlife clearances



Sl. No.	Eco-Tourism Site	Key Location & Setting	Key Natural / Tourism Attributes (USP)	Access & Connectivity	Potential Eco-Tourism Activities	Regulatory Status
2	Bhimbandh Eco-Tourism Site	South-west Munger District	Dense forests, hills and waterfalls; natural hot water springs (year-round attraction); strong mythological and cultural linkage (Mahabharata period)	~11 km from NH-333; ~30 km from Jamui Railway Station; ~200 km from Patna Airport	Nature walks, hot spring bathing, bird watching, photography, eco-recreation, interpretation	Sanctuary area; subject to forest & wildlife clearances
3	Kukurjhap Dam Eco-Tourism Site	Barhat Block, Jamui District	Forest-surrounded reservoir; scenic landscape; rich biodiversity including peacocks and aquatic fauna; high recreational value	~7 km from NH-333; ~13 km from Jamui Railway Station; ~180 km from Patna Airport	Controlled boating, nature recreation, bird watching, eco-picnic facilities with safety management	Sanctuary area; subject to forest & wildlife clearances
4	Chormara Forest Eco-Tourism Site	Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary Range, Jamui District	Dense forest cover, rugged hills; habitat for leopard, sloth bear, sambar deer and bird species; nearby hot springs; mythological significance	~15 km from NH-333; ~20 km from Jamui Railway Station; ~190 km from Patna Airport	Nature trails, wildlife interpretation, trekking, eco-education, community-linked tourism	Sanctuary area; subject to forest & wildlife clearances