

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
SOUTHERN ZONE, CHENNAI

ORIGINAL APPLICATION No. 136 OF 2023 (SZ)

IN THE MATTER OF:

M. Venkata Reddy,
Telangana

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Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Telangana,
rep by its Chief Secretary,
Telangana & Ors.

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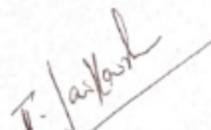
Respondent(s)

REPORT OF THE TELANGANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (R3)

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Place: Hyderabad.
Date: 19-12-2023.


Counsel for 3rd Respondent

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REPORT DATED 18-12-2023 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER, TSPCB, REGIONAL OFFICE, RAMAGUNDAM (RESPONDENT NO.3) IN OA No 136 OF 2023 FILED BY SRI.M.VENKATA REDDY.

It is to submit that, Sri M.Venkata Reddy S/o M.Thirupathi Reddy, R/o Eppillapally village, Veenavanka Mandal, Karimnagar District, Telangana has filed an O.A.No. 136 of 2023 in the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT), Southern Zone, Chennai against execution of river front project on the downstream of the Lower Manair Dam, Karimnagar without conducting Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies and without obtaining prior environmental clearance from the authorities.

In this regard, it is to submit that the Board officials of Regional office, Ramagundam inspected the Riverfront project site on 06.10.2023 and during the inspection the officials of Irrigation Department of LMD Colony, Karimnagar were present and accompanied. The observations made during the inspection are submitted as follows: -

1. Construction of Protection walls along the either flanks of Manair River and obstruction removal in the river bed at Cable Suspension Bridge is under progress.
2. Construction of check dam at Cable Suspension Bridge for River Front project is under progress.
3. Filling with the casing soils over the rear banks to form a Guide bund along the protection wall is under progress.

It is to submit that, the issue was reviewed in the Board Task Force committee meeting held on 07.10.2023 and the Superintending Engineer, I.C.2, LMD Colony, Karimnagar has attended the meeting virtually and informed that the present ongoing Manair River Front Project is being executed by Irrigation Department with built-up area of 1,35,200 Sqm and the same does not require prior Environmental Clearance as total area / built-up area is less than 50 Ha / 1,50,000 sq.m under Townships and Area Development Project. Further, the Executive Engineer, I.C.2, LMD Colony, Karimnagar vide letter dated 09.10.2023 has submitted a declaration to the Board that the present ongoing Manair River Front project built-up area is 1,35,200 Sq.meters and which does not require prior Environmental Clearance under Townships and Area Development projects as its total area / built-up area is within the threshold limit of 50 Ha / 1,50,000 sq.m (Annexure-I).

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It is to further submit that as per the EIA Notification, dated 14th September 2006, Sl.No. 8(b) of the Schedule i.e. Townships and Area Development projects with threshold limit, covering an area ≥ 50 ha and or built up area $\geq 1,50,000$ sq.mtrs requires prior Environmental Clearance (EC). The Project Proponent submitted declaration that the present ongoing Manair River Front Project is 12.80 Ha and built up area is 1,35,200 Sq.m and does not require prior Environmental Clearance.

Place: Ramagundam,
Date: 18.12.2023.

Ch. B. Dukshapathi
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER
Telangana State Pollution Control Board
Regional Office, Ramagundam

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
IRRIGATION & CAD DEPARTMENT

Annexure - I

From:
Sri. P.Nagabhushana Rao, B.Tech
Executive Engineer,
Division No.5 of I.C.2,
LMD Colony, Karimnagar--505 527.

To: 
The Member Secretary,
Telangana State Pollution Control Board,
Hyderabad.

Dated: 03.10.2023

Lr.No.EE/DIVN.5/I.C-2/TS/T1 | 54/210

Sir,

Sub:- OA.No 136 of 2023 filed by Sri M.Venkata Reddy S/o Thirupathy Reddy R/o Ippalapally Village, Veenavanka Mandal, Karimnagar District, Telangana in the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Southern Zone, Chennai against the execution of River Front Project on the Lower Manair, Karimnagar Declaration on Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies and without obtaining Environmental Clearance from the authorities.

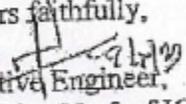
Ref:- The Pollution Control Board Task Force committee conducted virtual meeting on 07.10.2023.

In view of the Subject reference cited, it is submitted that the OA.No 136 of 2023 filed by Sri M.Venkata Reddy S/o Thirupathy Reddy R/o Ippalapally Village, Veenavanka Mandal, Karimnagar District, Telangana in the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Southern Zone, Chennai against the execution of River Front Project on the Lower Manair, Karimnagar that without conducting Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies and without obtaining Environmental Clearance from the authorities.

In this regard the Board officials of Regional Office, Ramagundam inspected the Manair Riverfront Project site on 06.10.2023 and observed the progress of work. The Board Task Force committee conducted virtual meeting on 07.10.2023 and directed to provide declaration on whether it requires prior Environmental Clearance as per the in 8 (b) i.e Townships and Area Development Project duly countersigning with the Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Circle 2 LMD Colony Karimnagar.

Hence, I herewith submitting the Declaration duly attested by Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Circle 2 LMD Colony Karimnagar.

Encl: Declaration Form

Yours faithfully,

Executive Engineer,
Irrigation Divn.No.5 of IC-2
LMD Colony, Karimnagar

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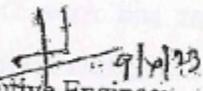
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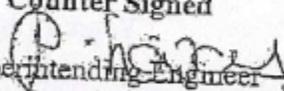
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DECLARATION

I Punna. Nagabhushana Rao S/o JagannadhaRao Executive Engineer, Division No 5 of Irrigation Circle No 2 of Engineer In Chief, LMD Colony Karimnagar do hereby declare that the present ongoing Manair River Front Project which was executing by Irrigation Department does not require prior Environmental Clearance (EC) in 8 (b) i.e Townships and Area Development Project as its covering area is 12.30 Ha and or built up area is 1,35,200 Sqm ((2 sides (Left & Right) x 2600M (Length) X 26 M (Width)) which are within the threshold limit of greater than equal to 50 Ha and 1,50,000 Sqm respectively.

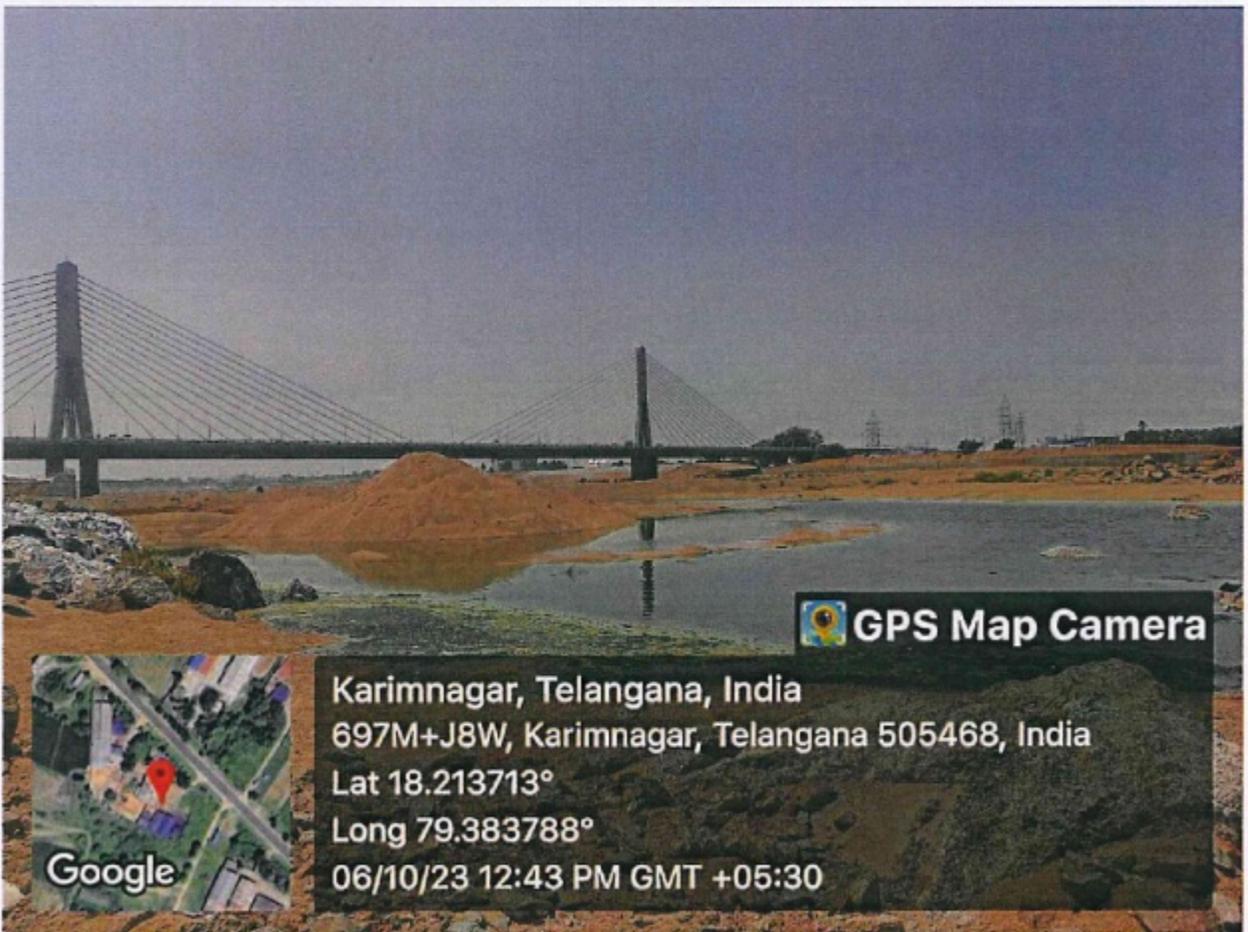
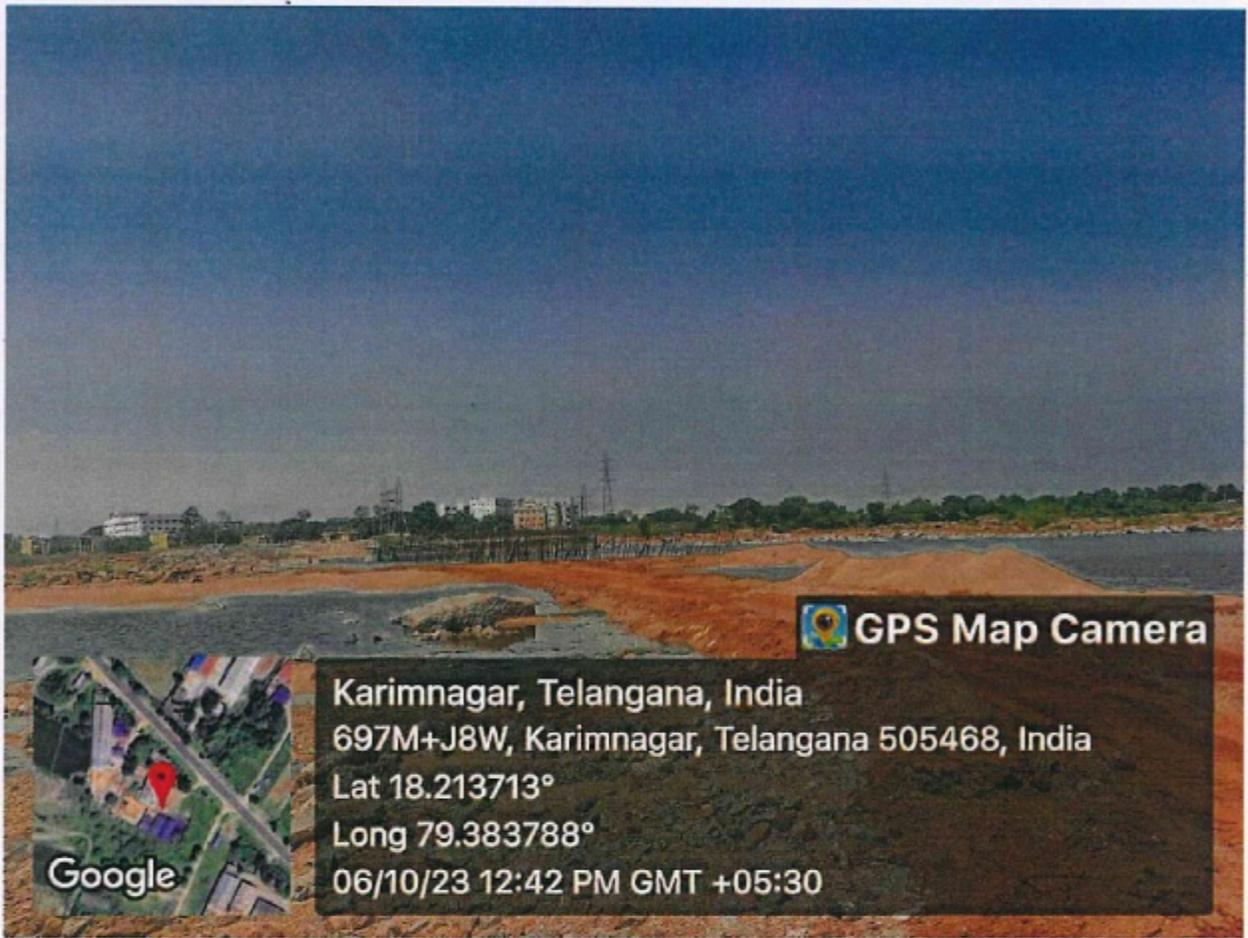
Further I declare that threshold limit of covering area and or built up area exceeds 50 Ha and 1,50,000 Sqm respectively in future expansion of Manair River Front Project, we the project authorities shall conduct the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study to obtain Environmental Clearance.


Executive Engineer
Division 5 of Irrigation Circle No 2
LMD Colony, Karimnagar

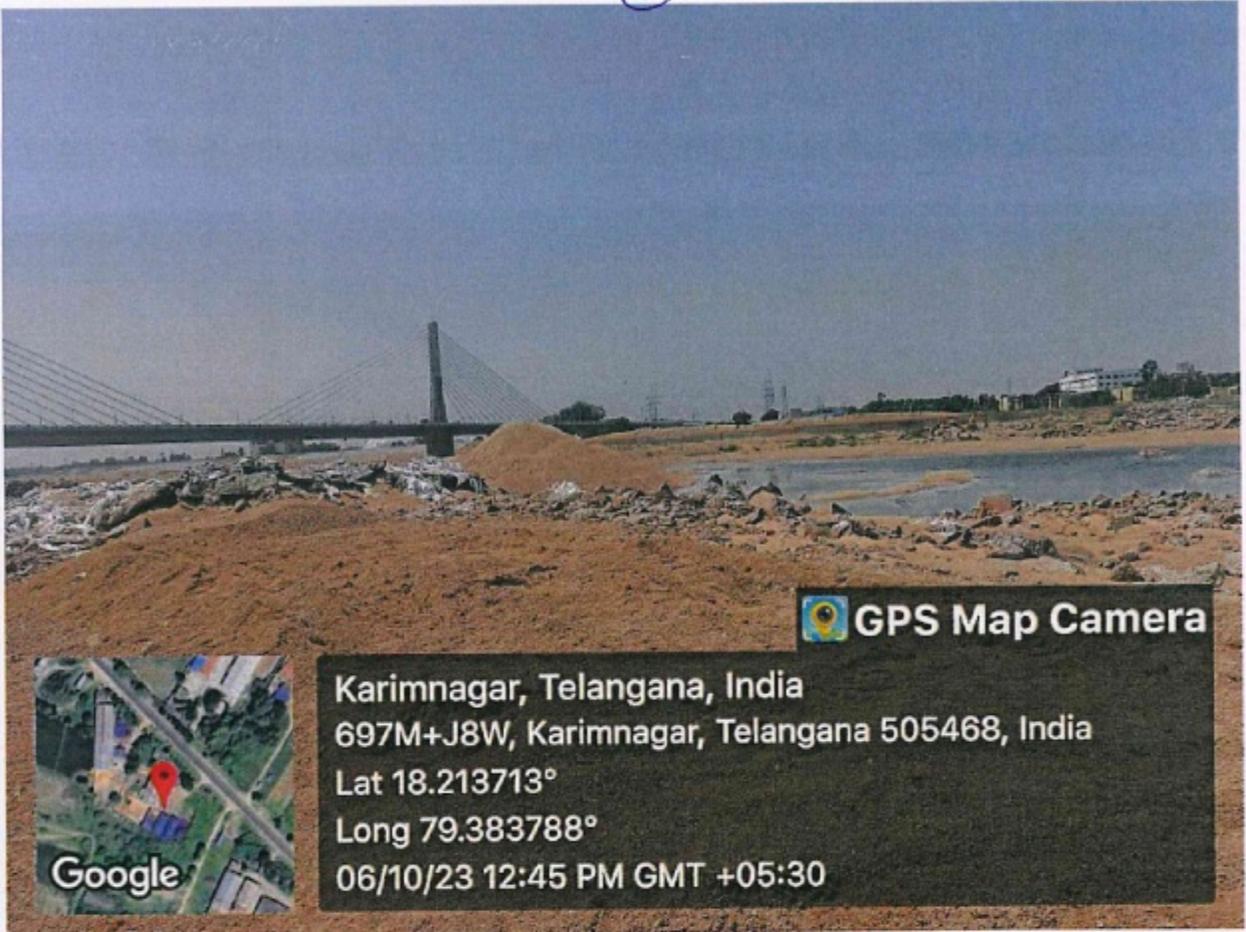
Counter Signed

Superintending Engineer
Irrigation Circle No. 2 of 9/10/23
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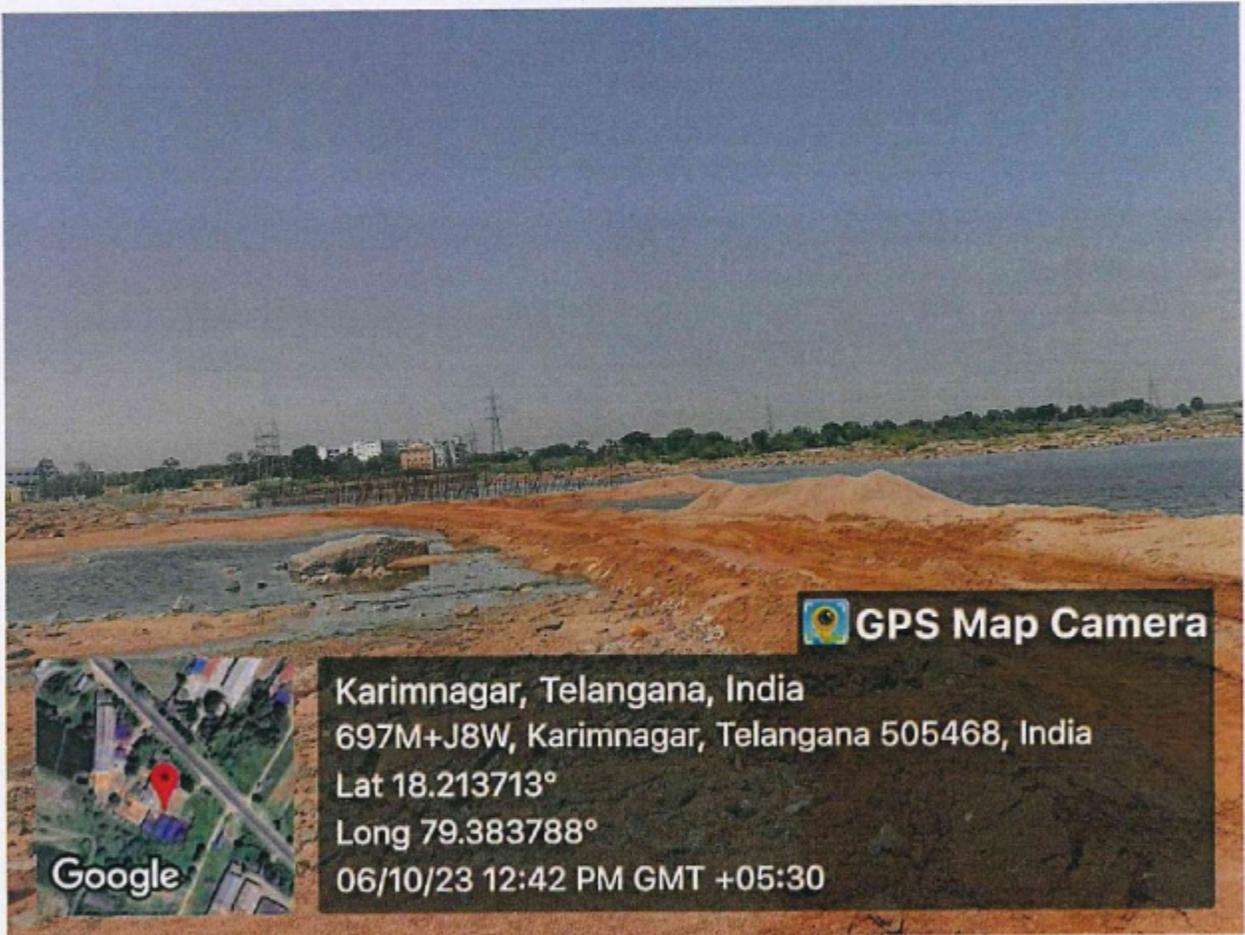


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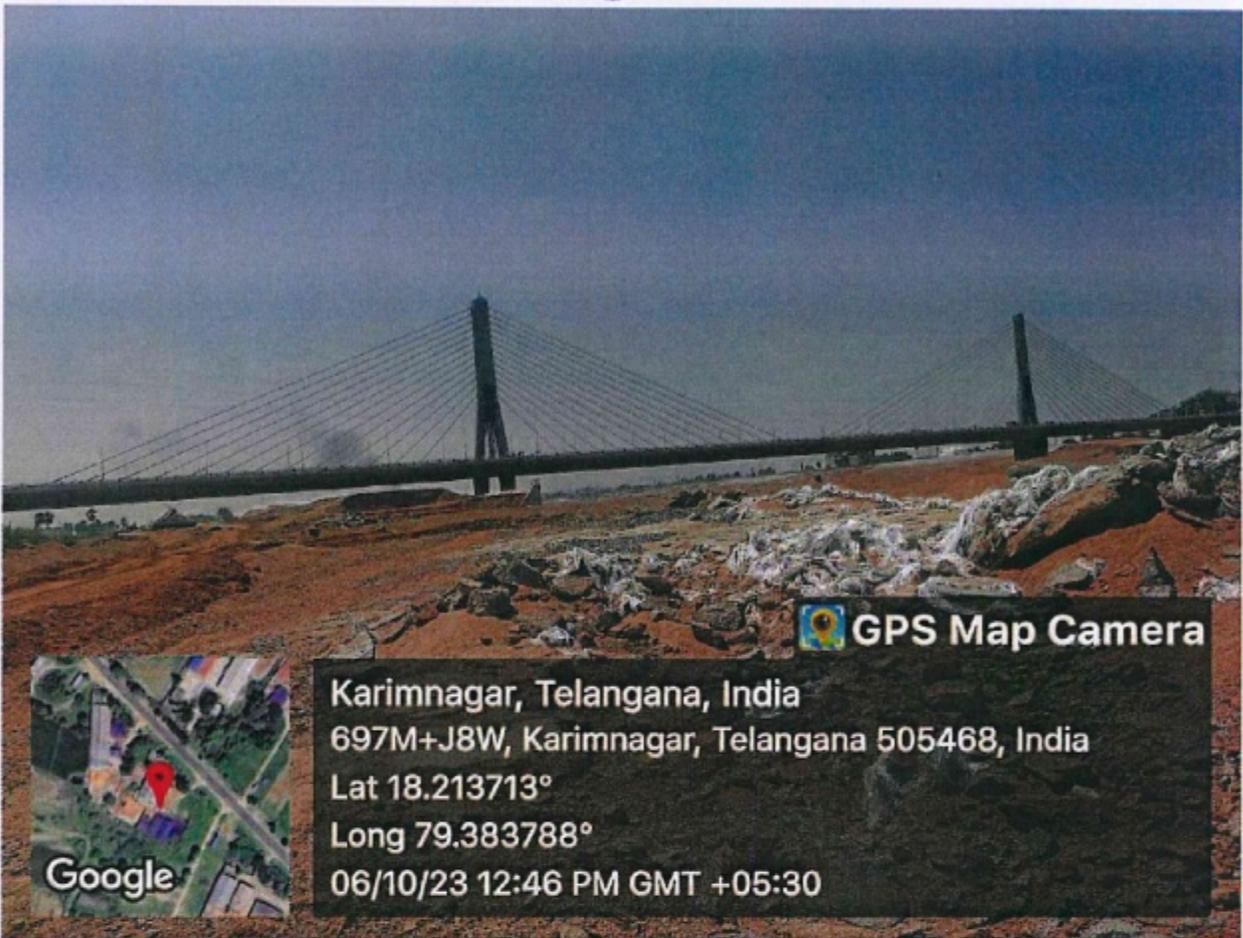
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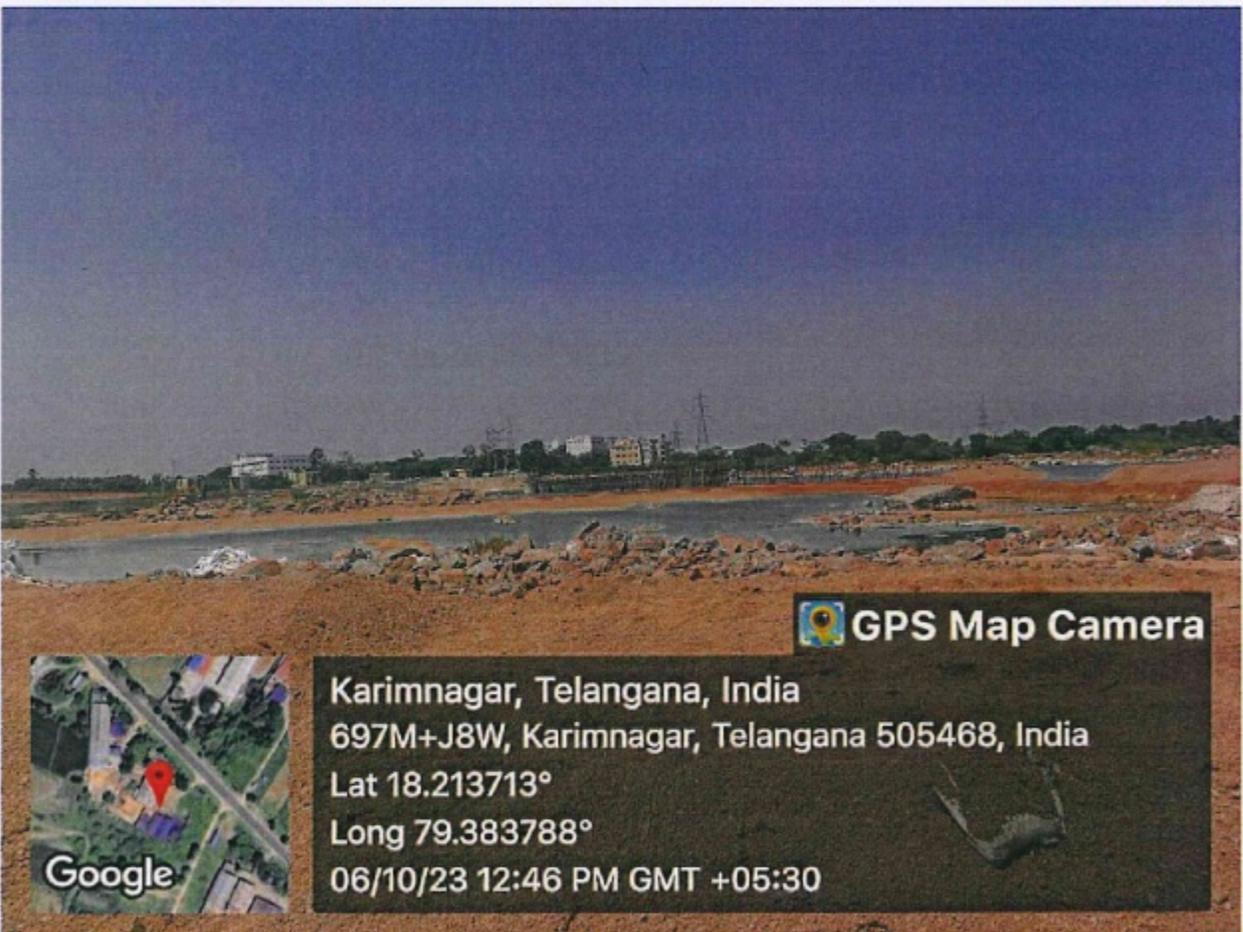


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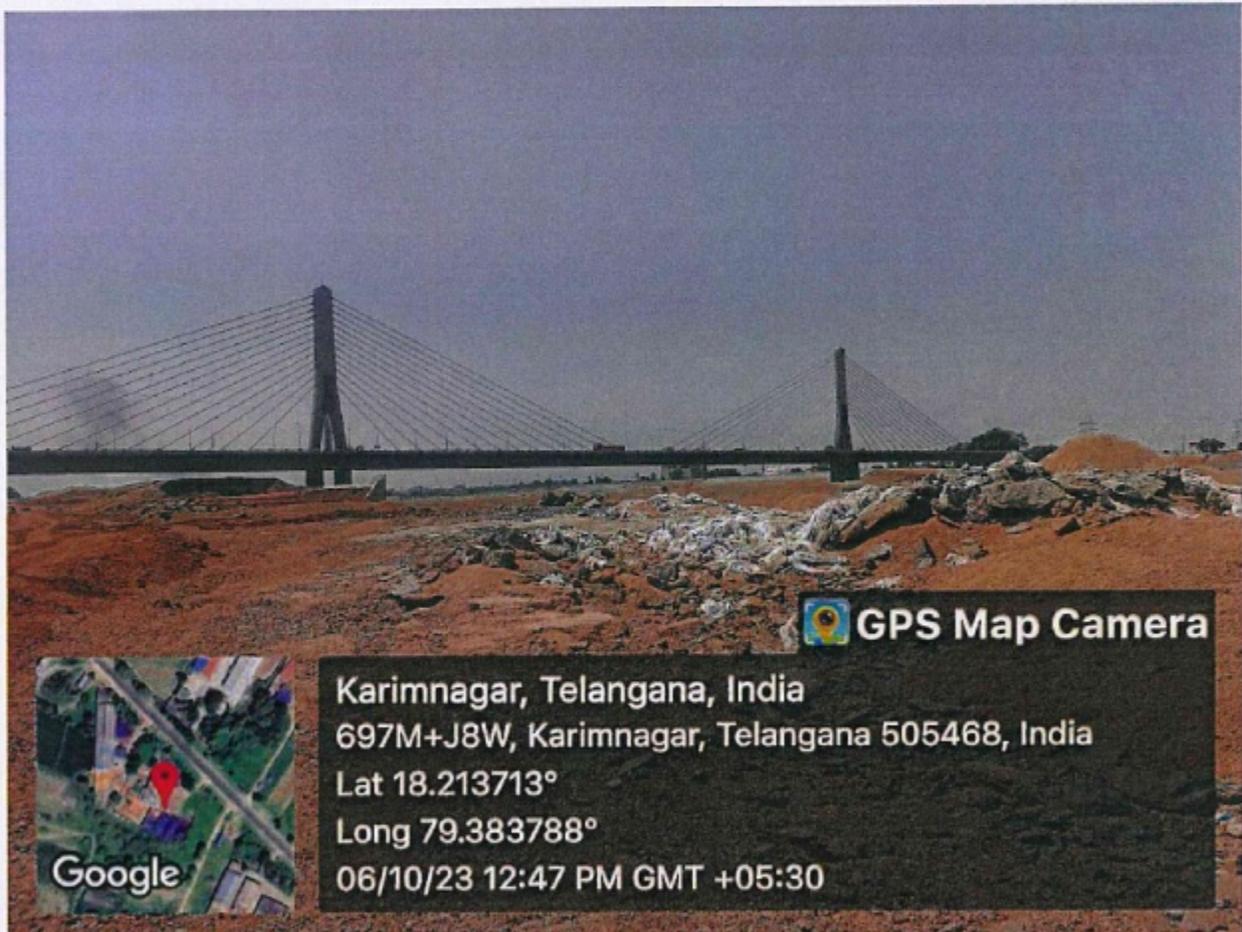
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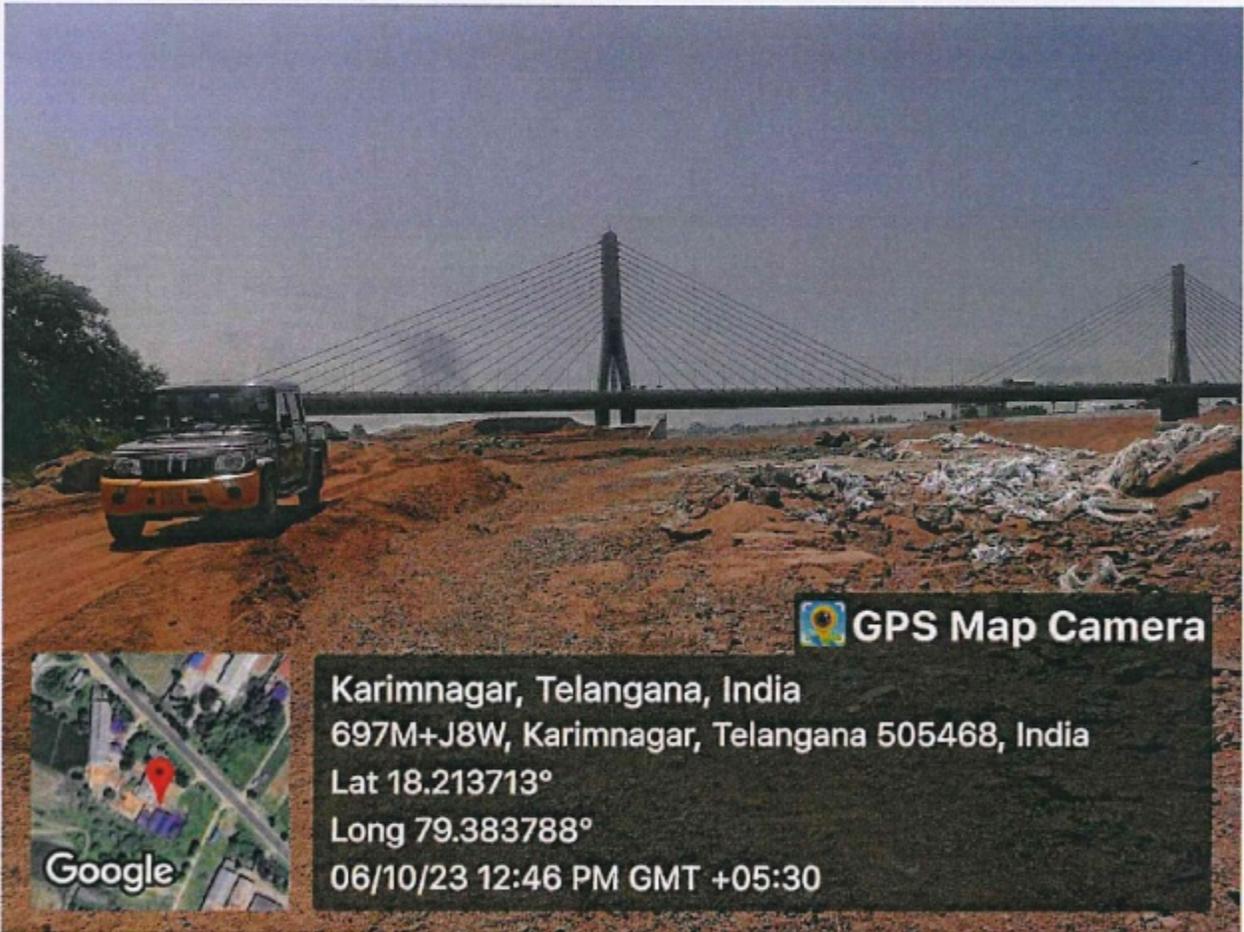
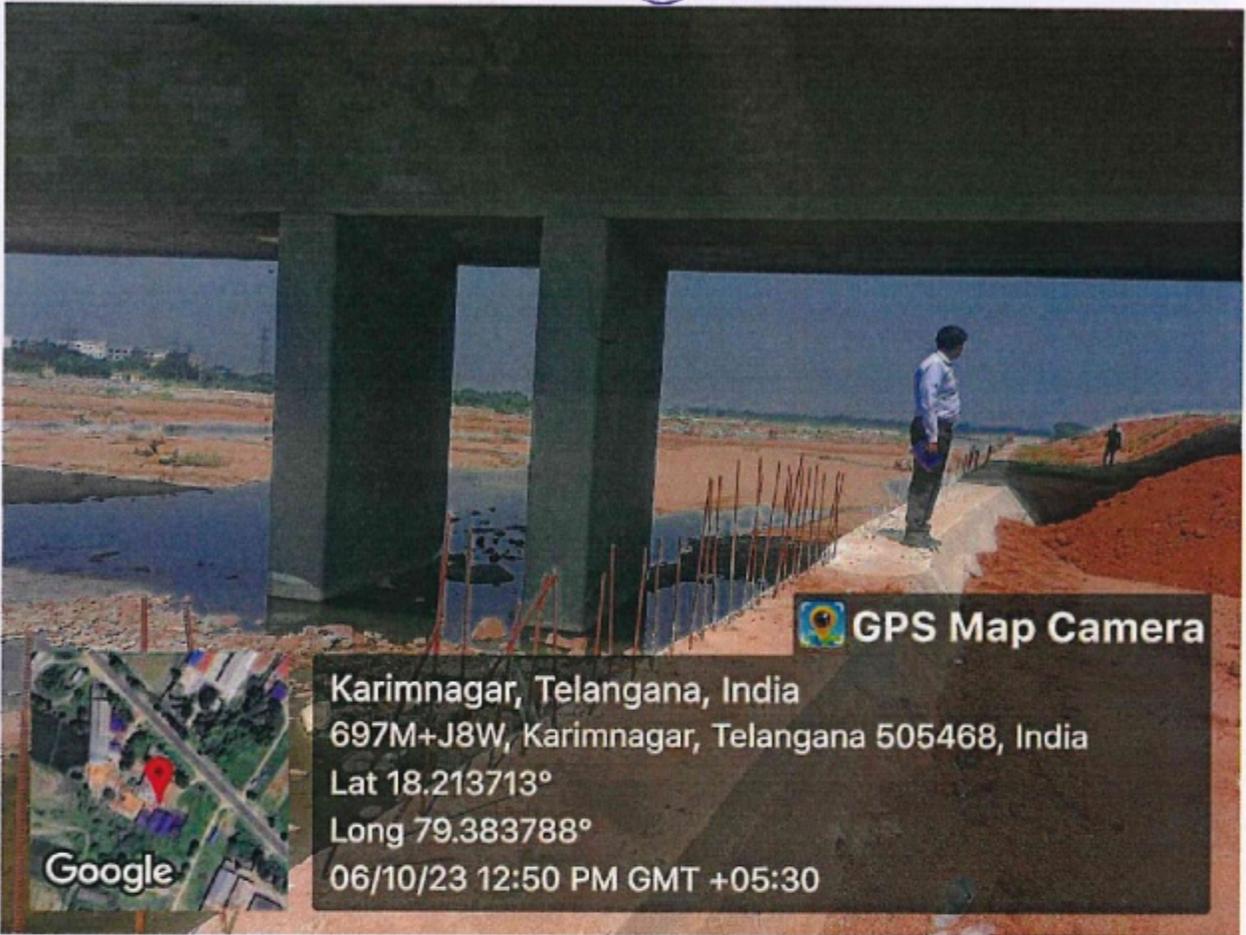


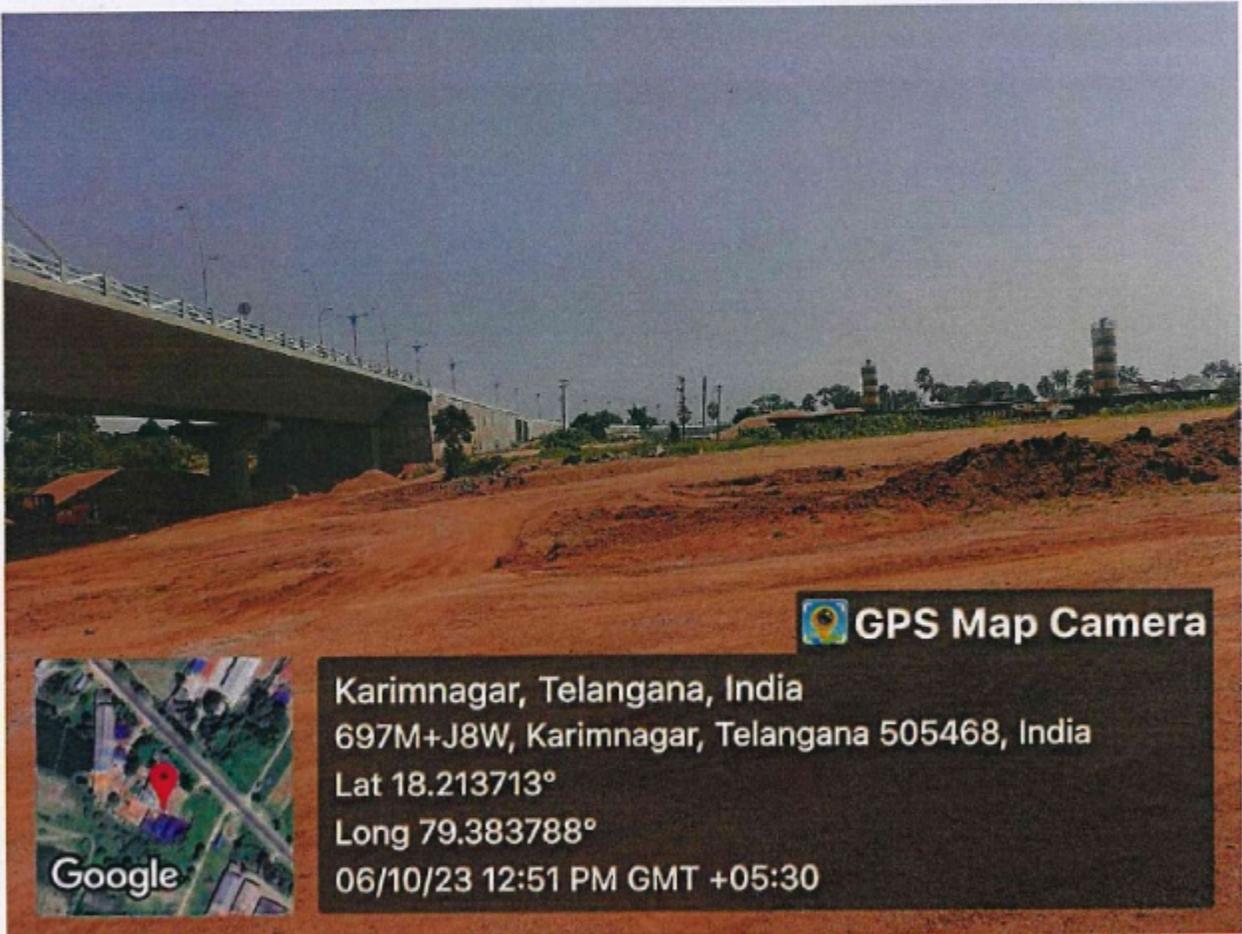
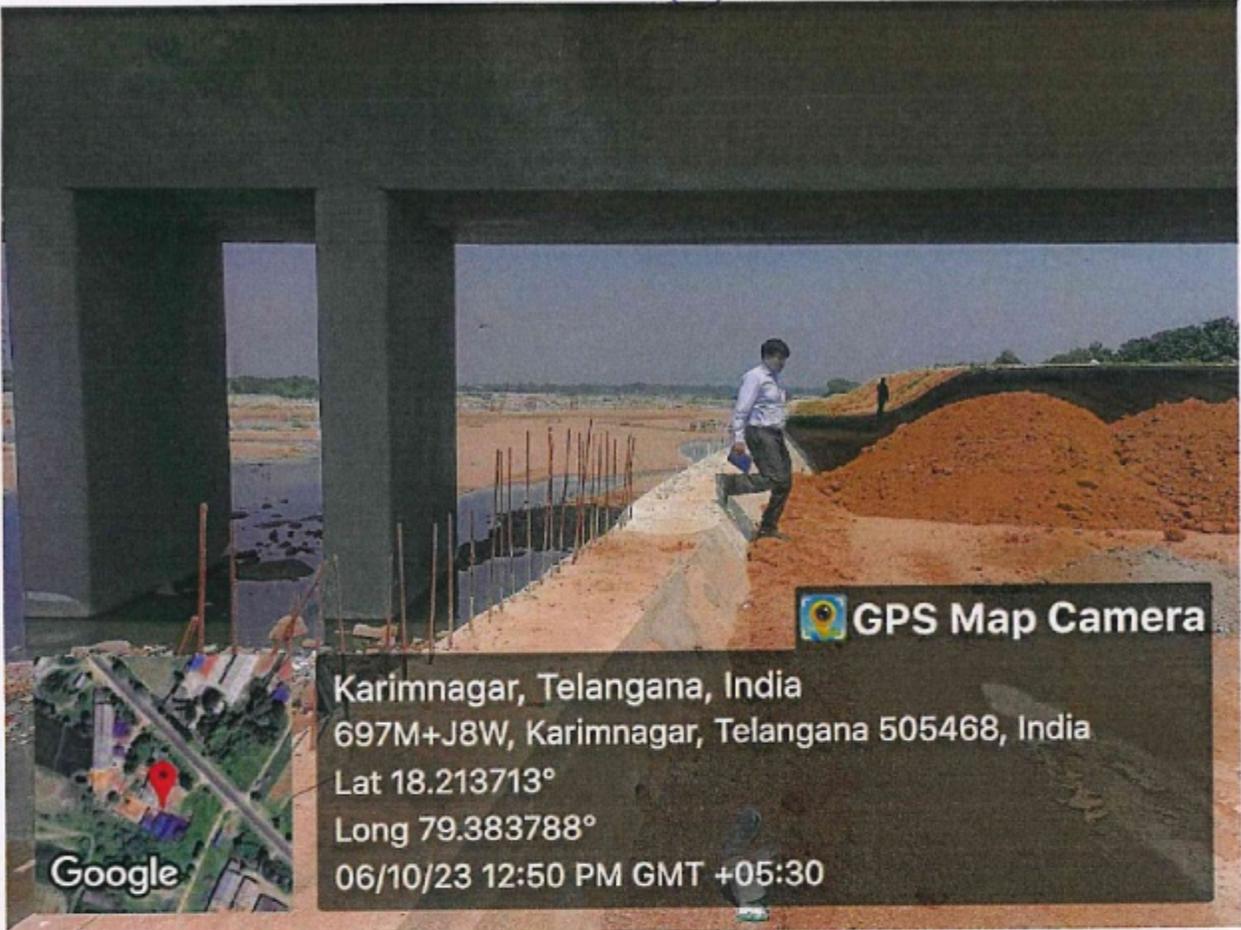
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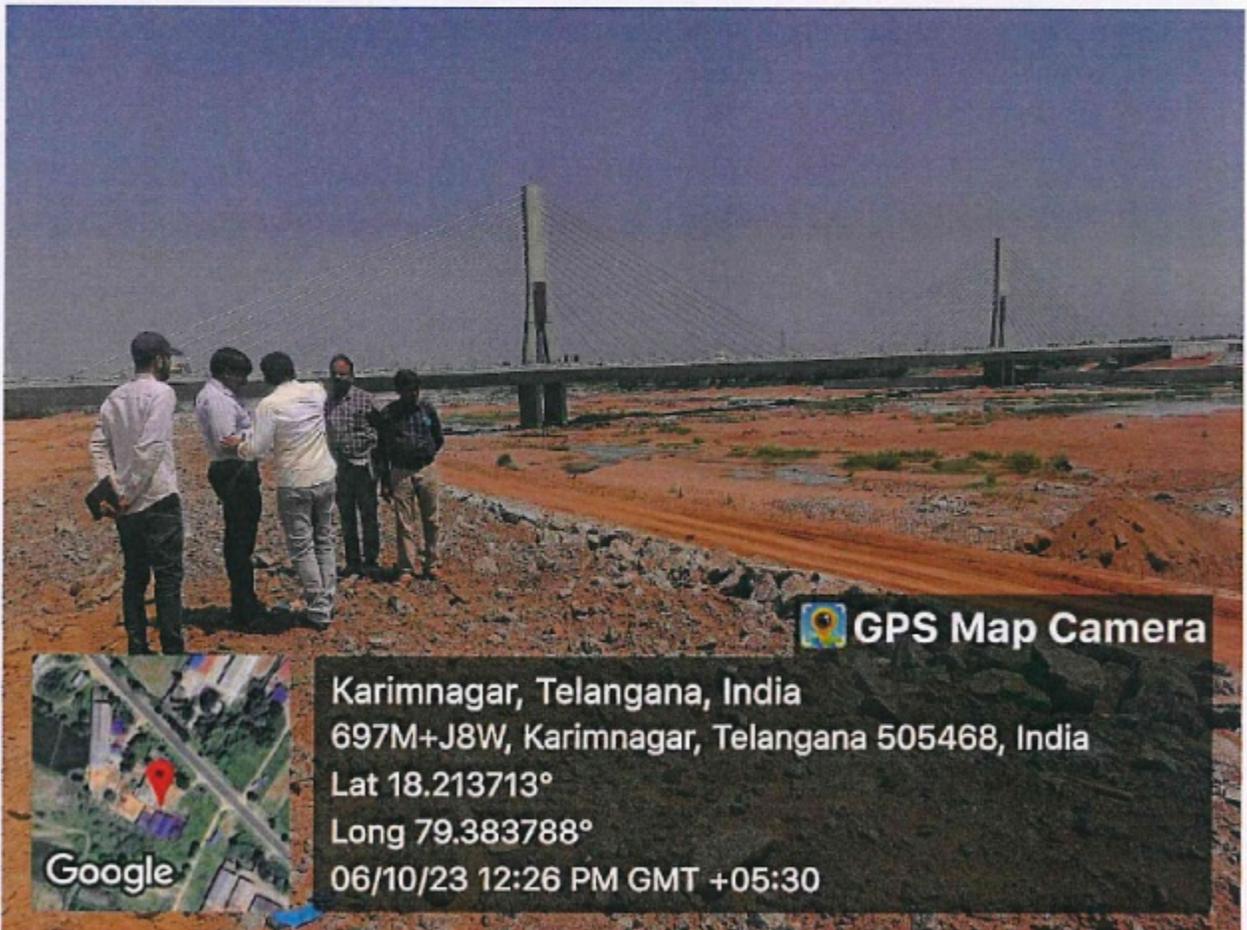
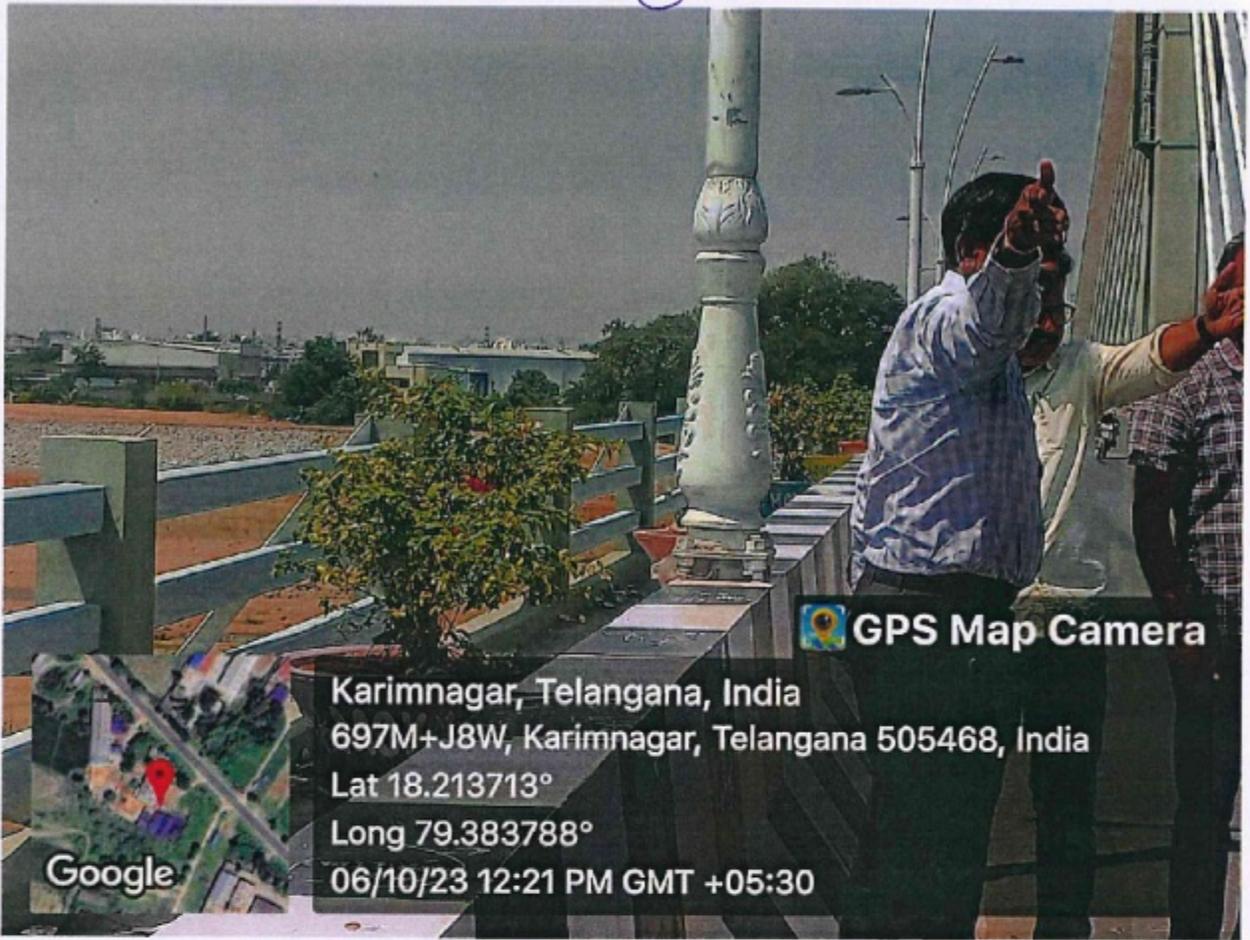
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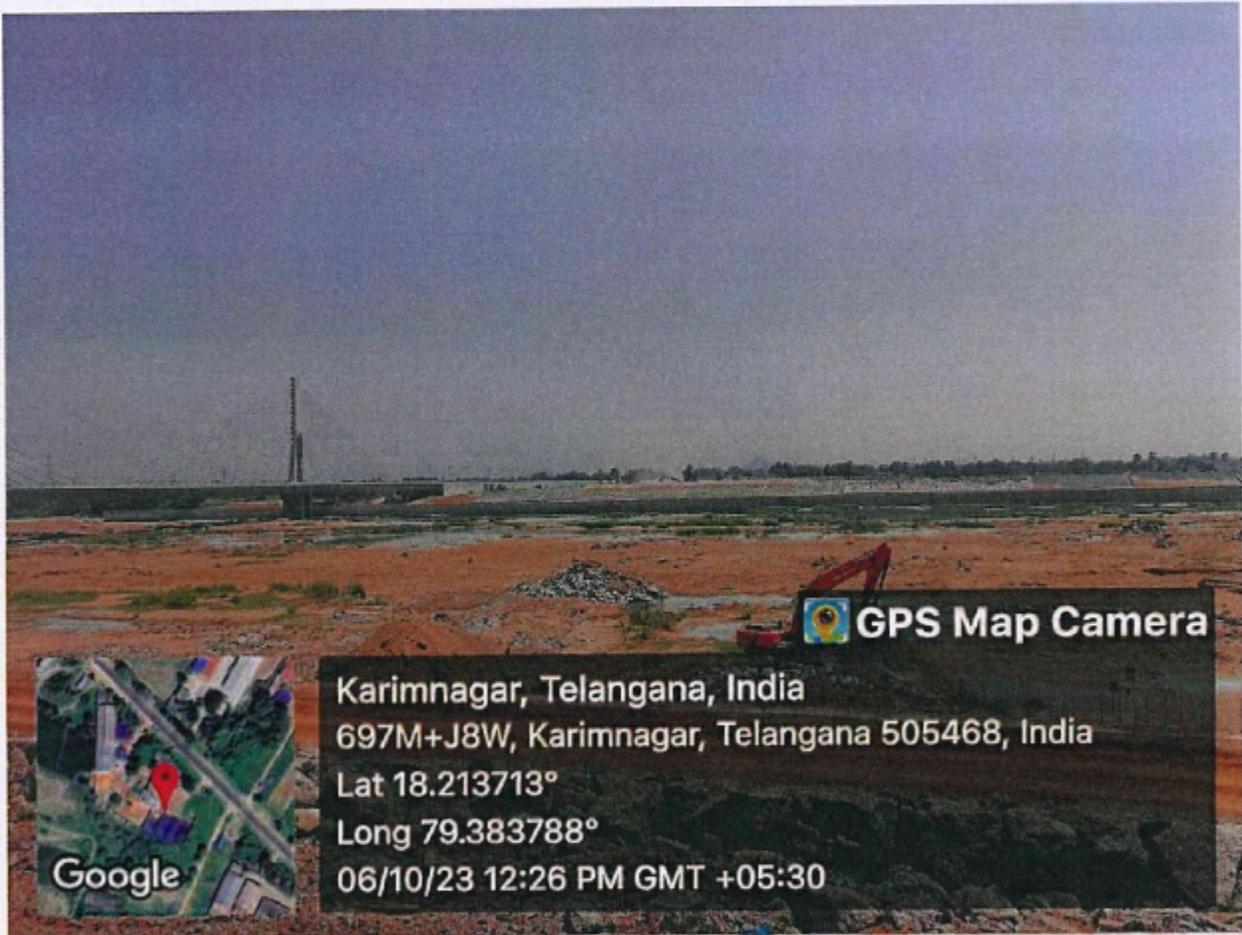




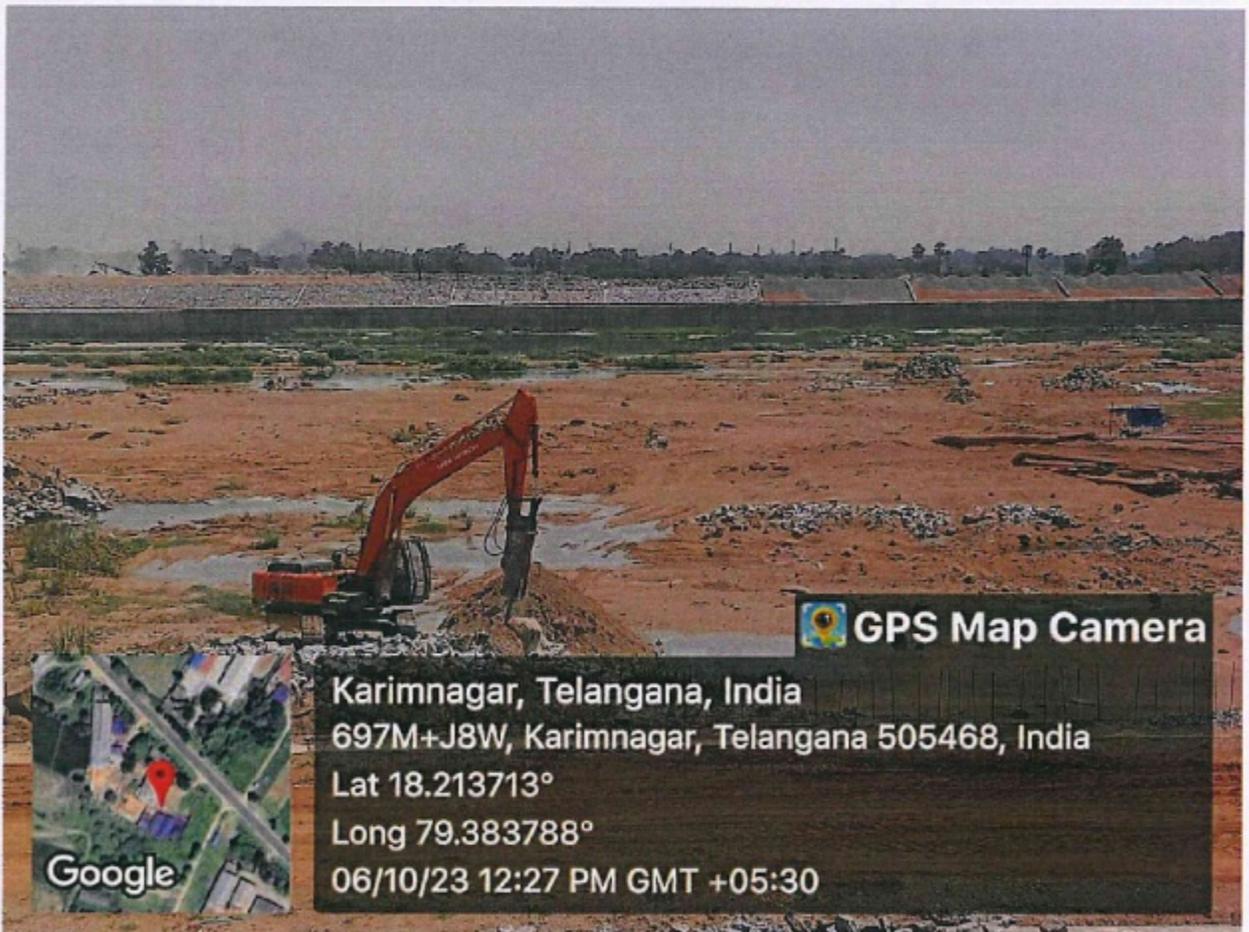
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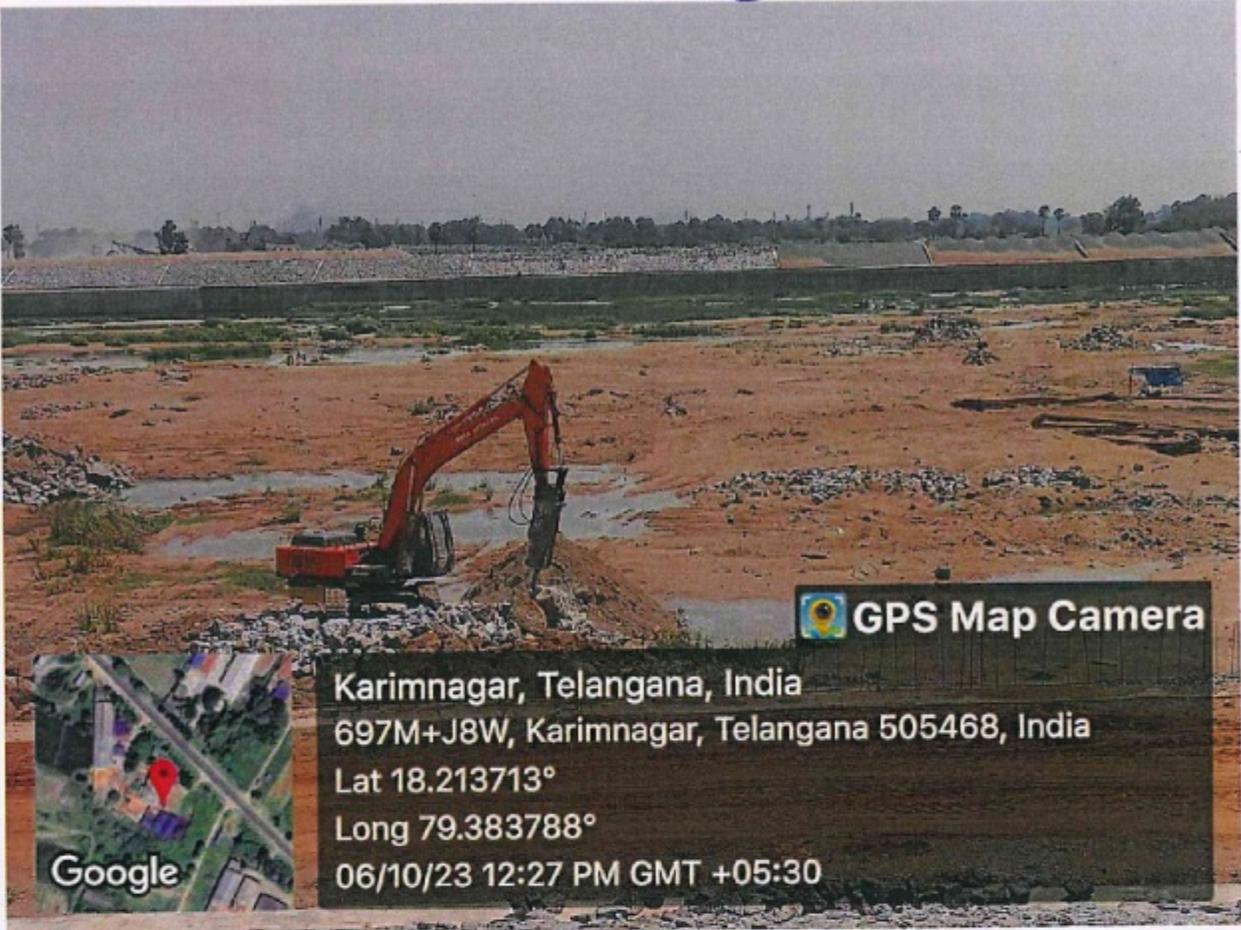


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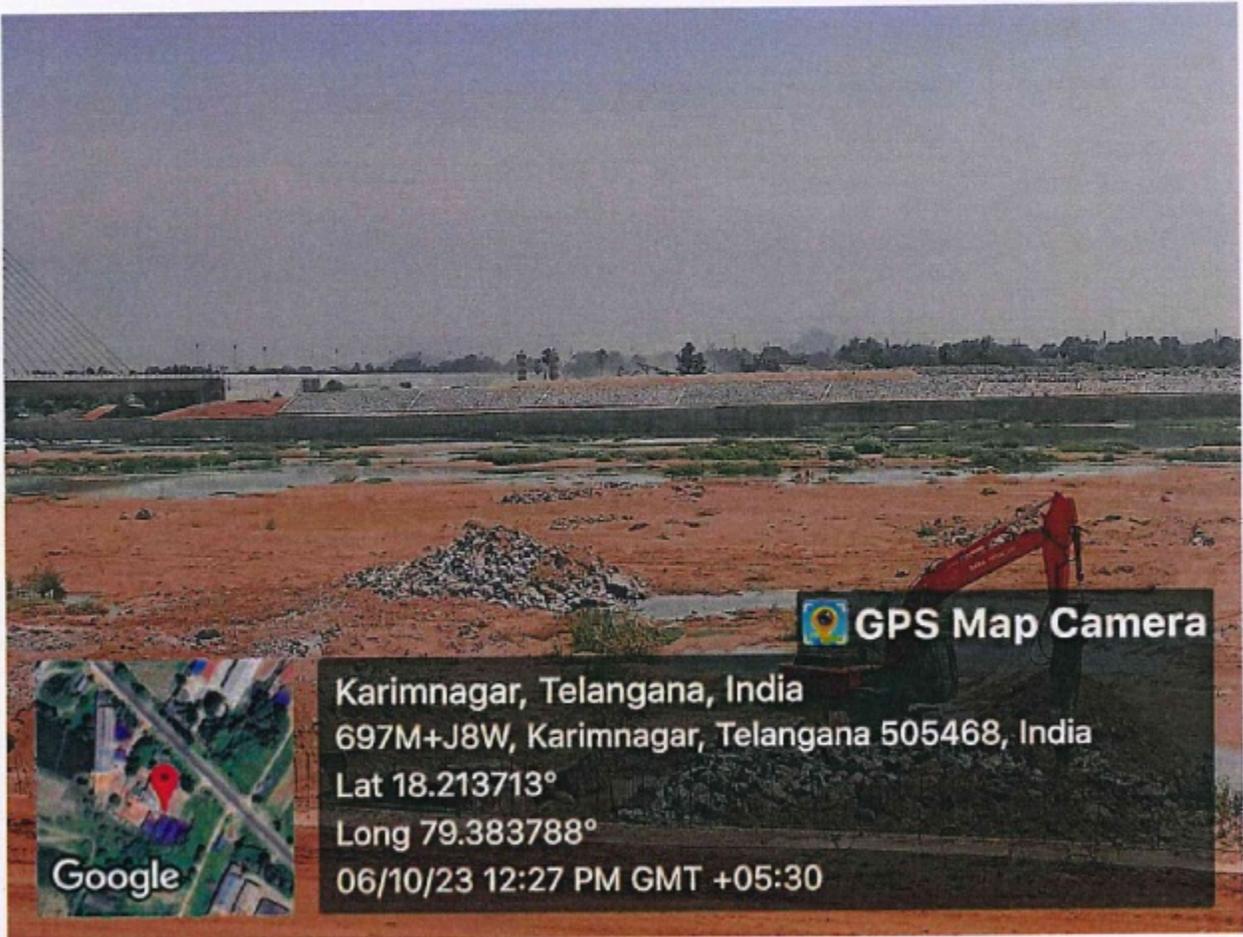




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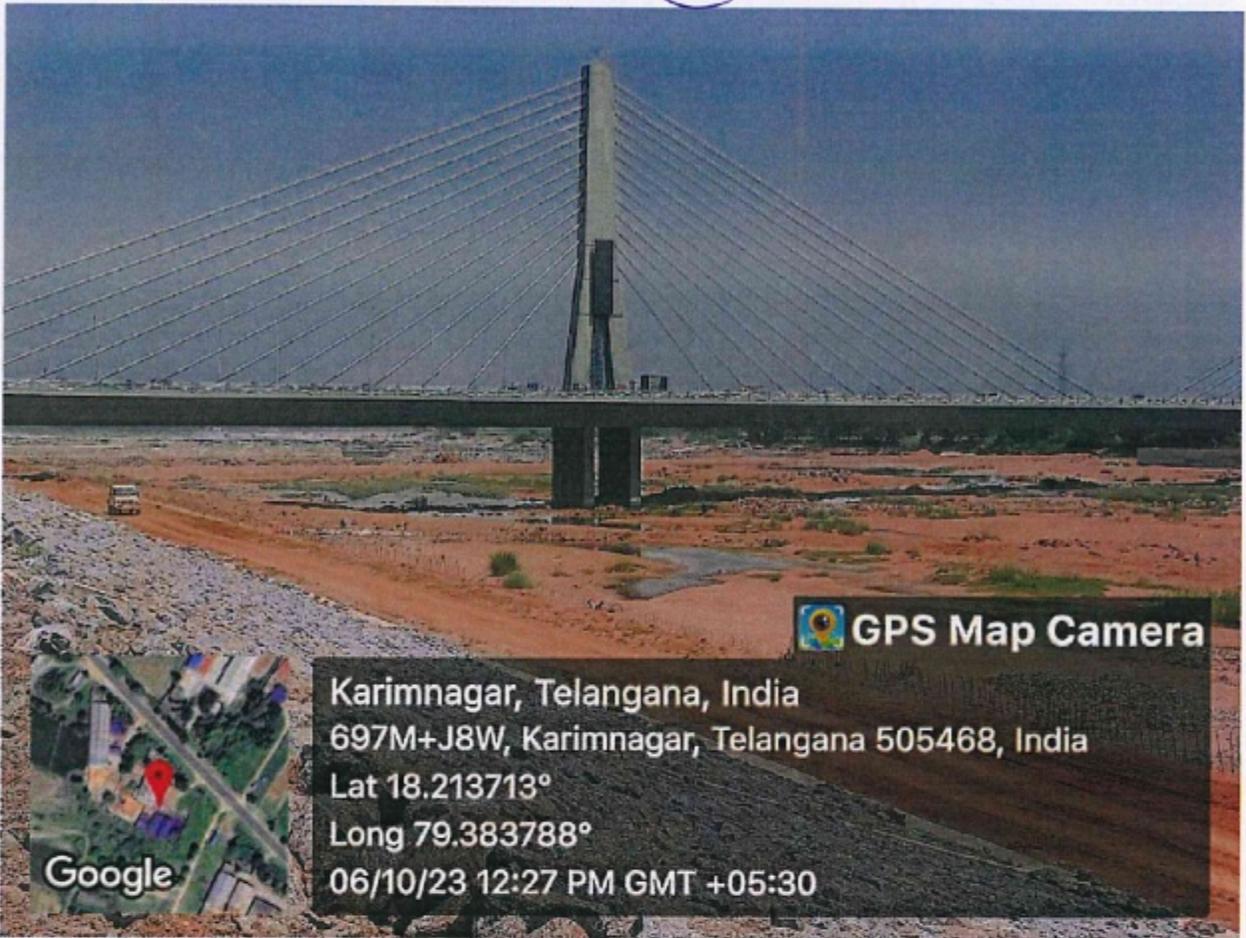


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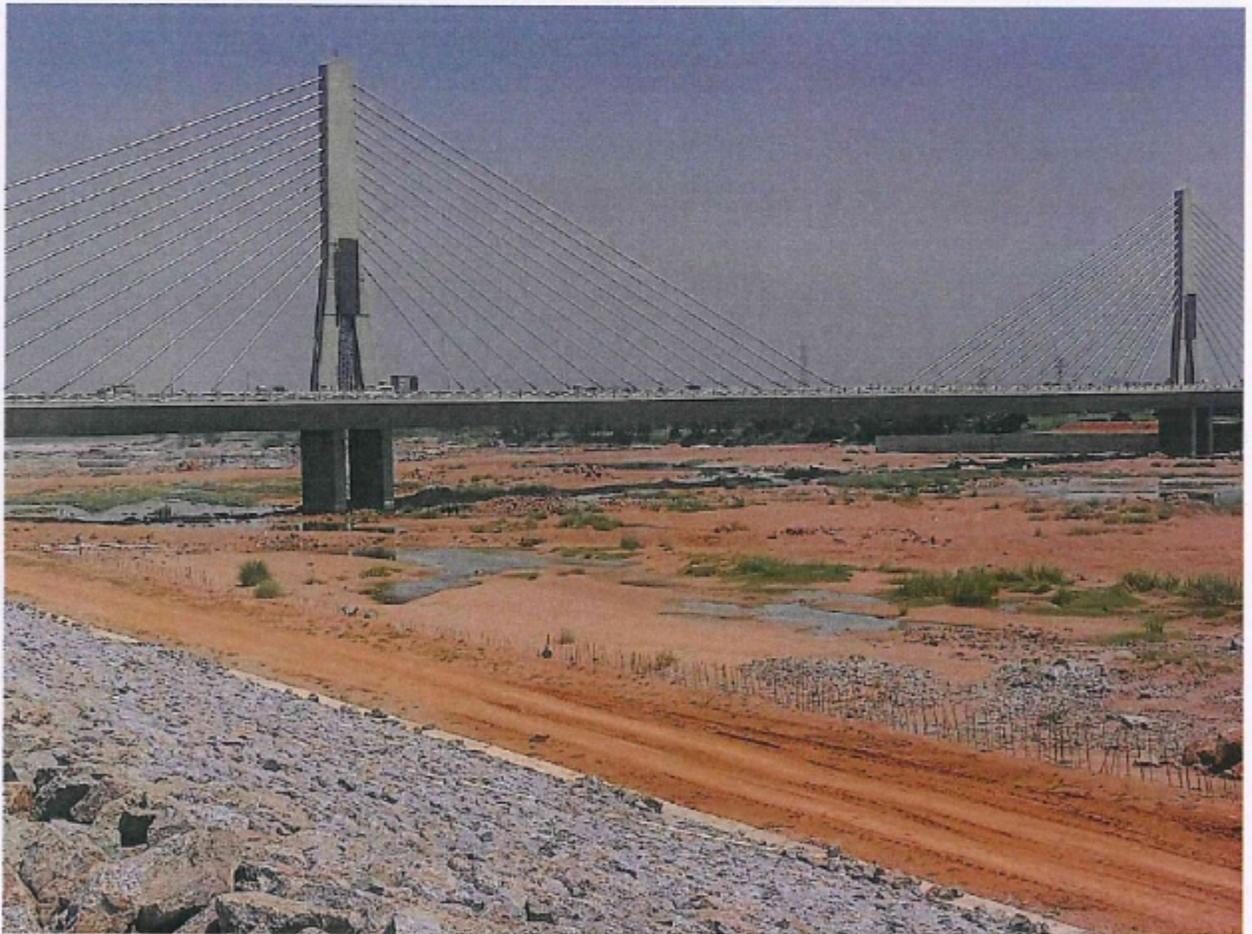
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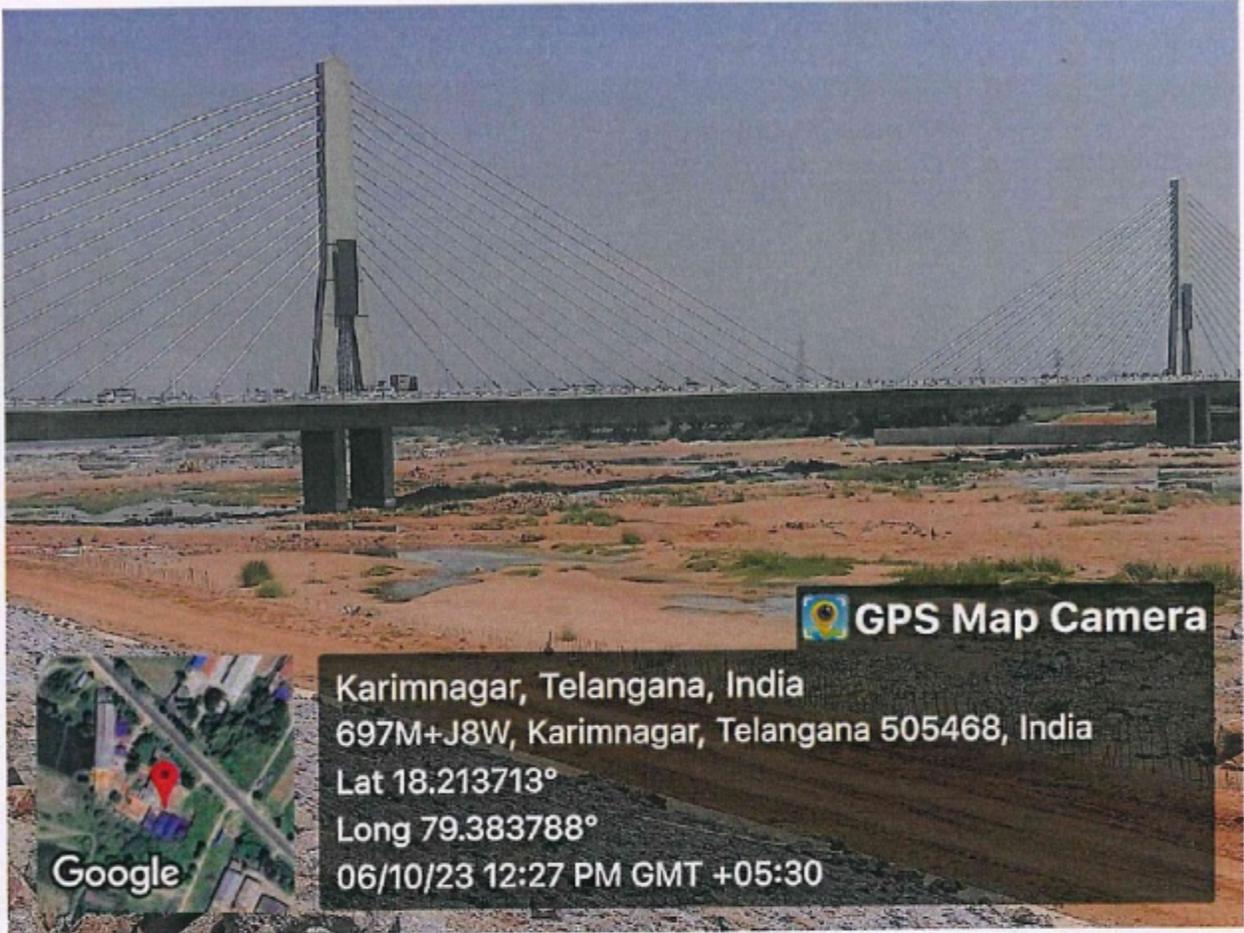
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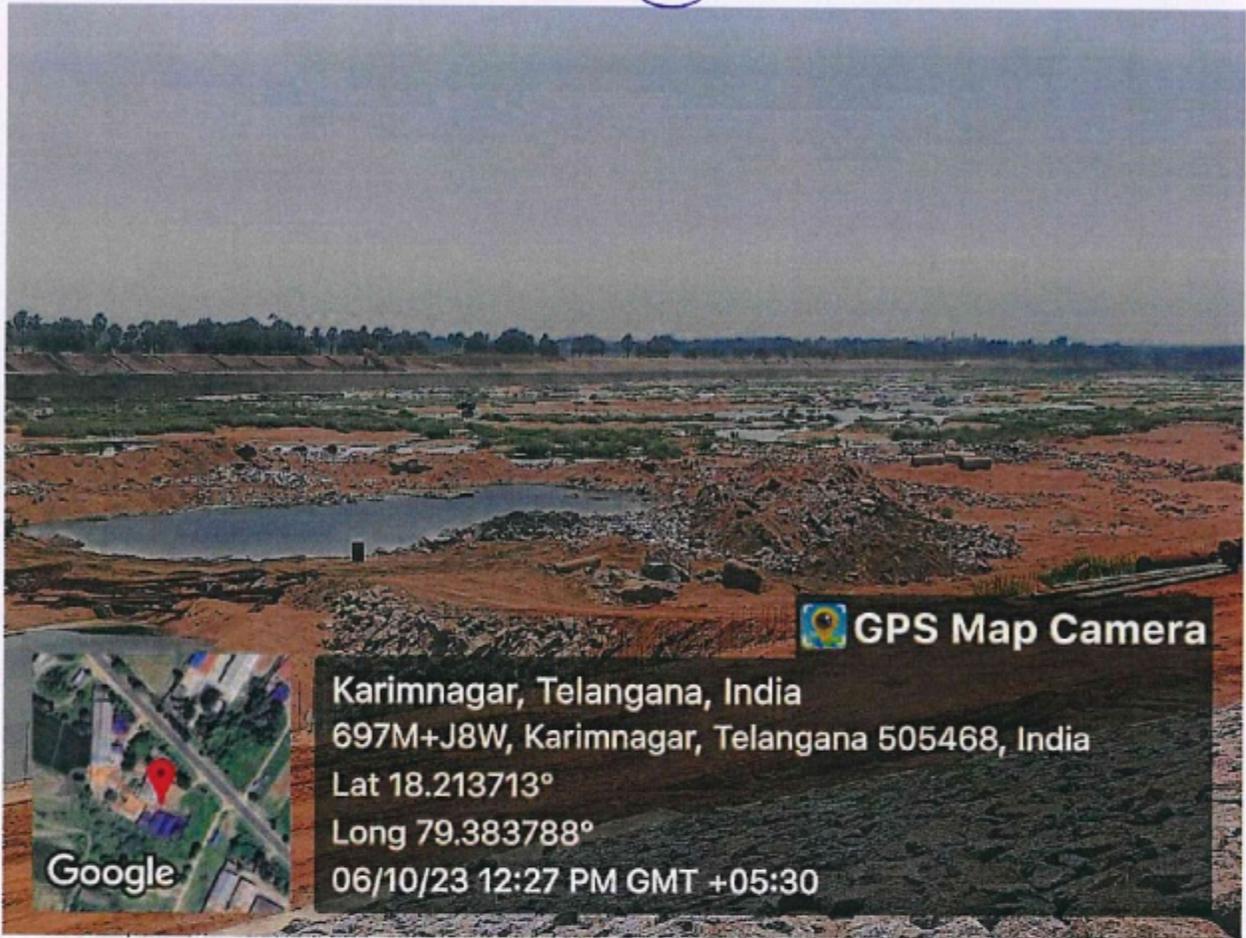


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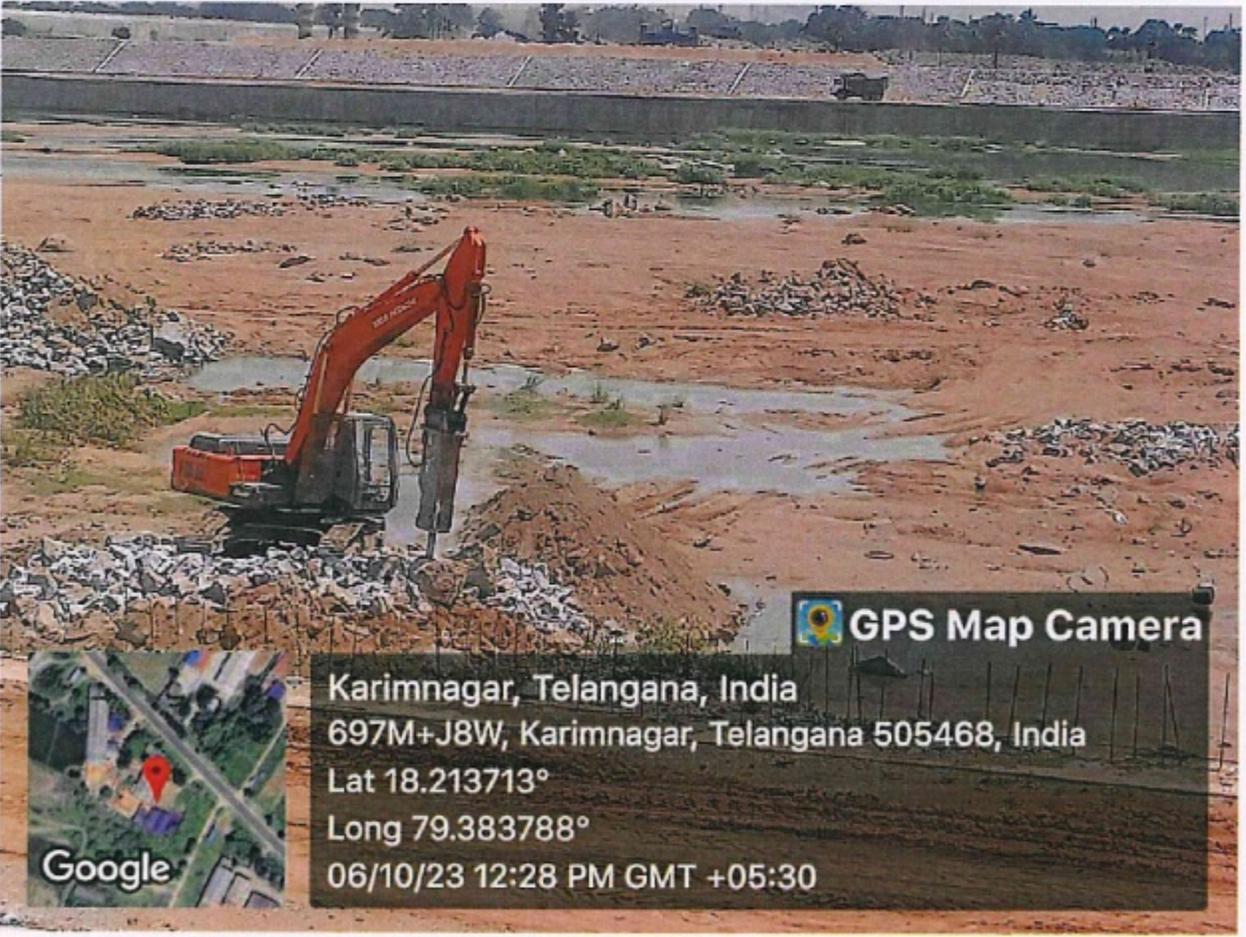


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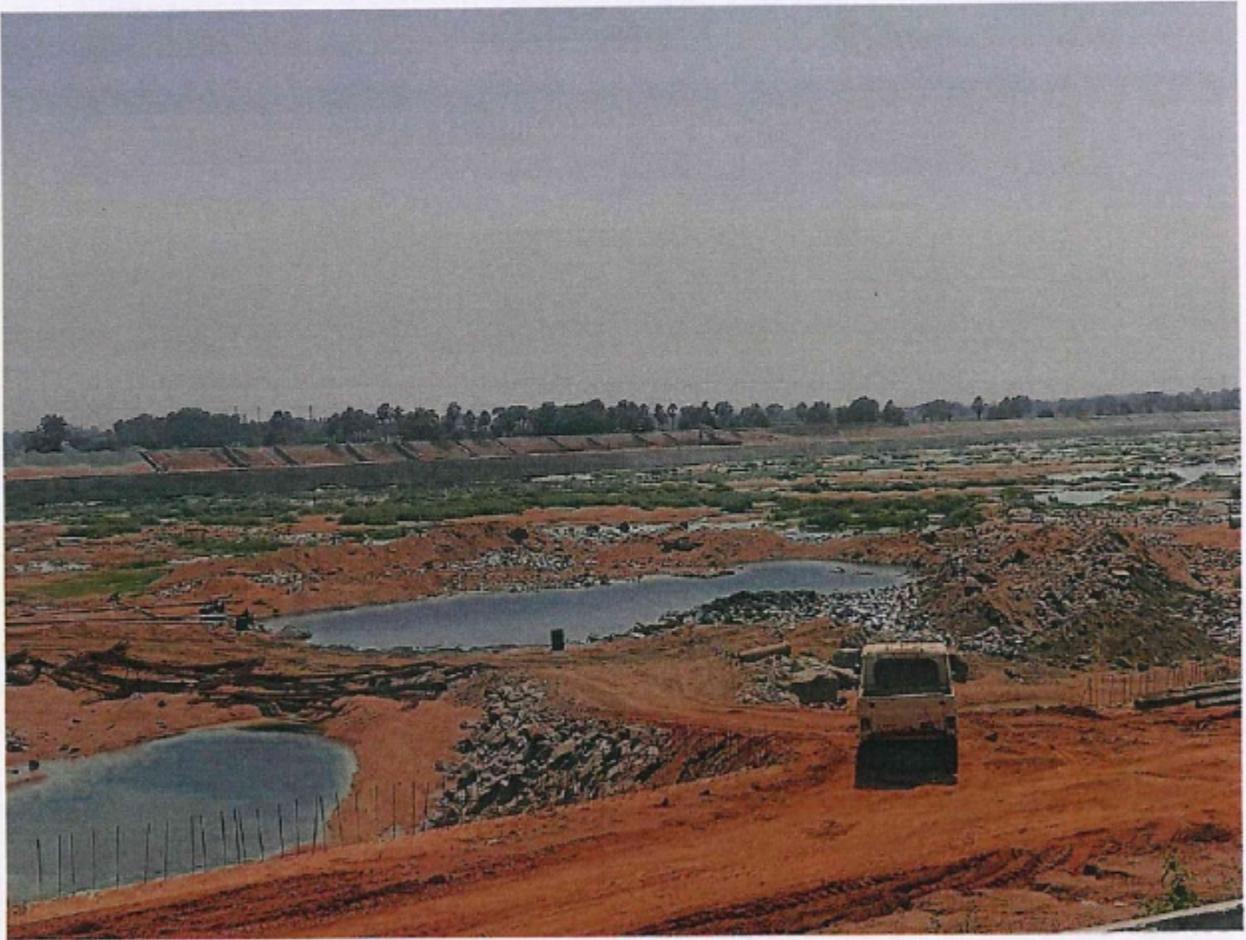
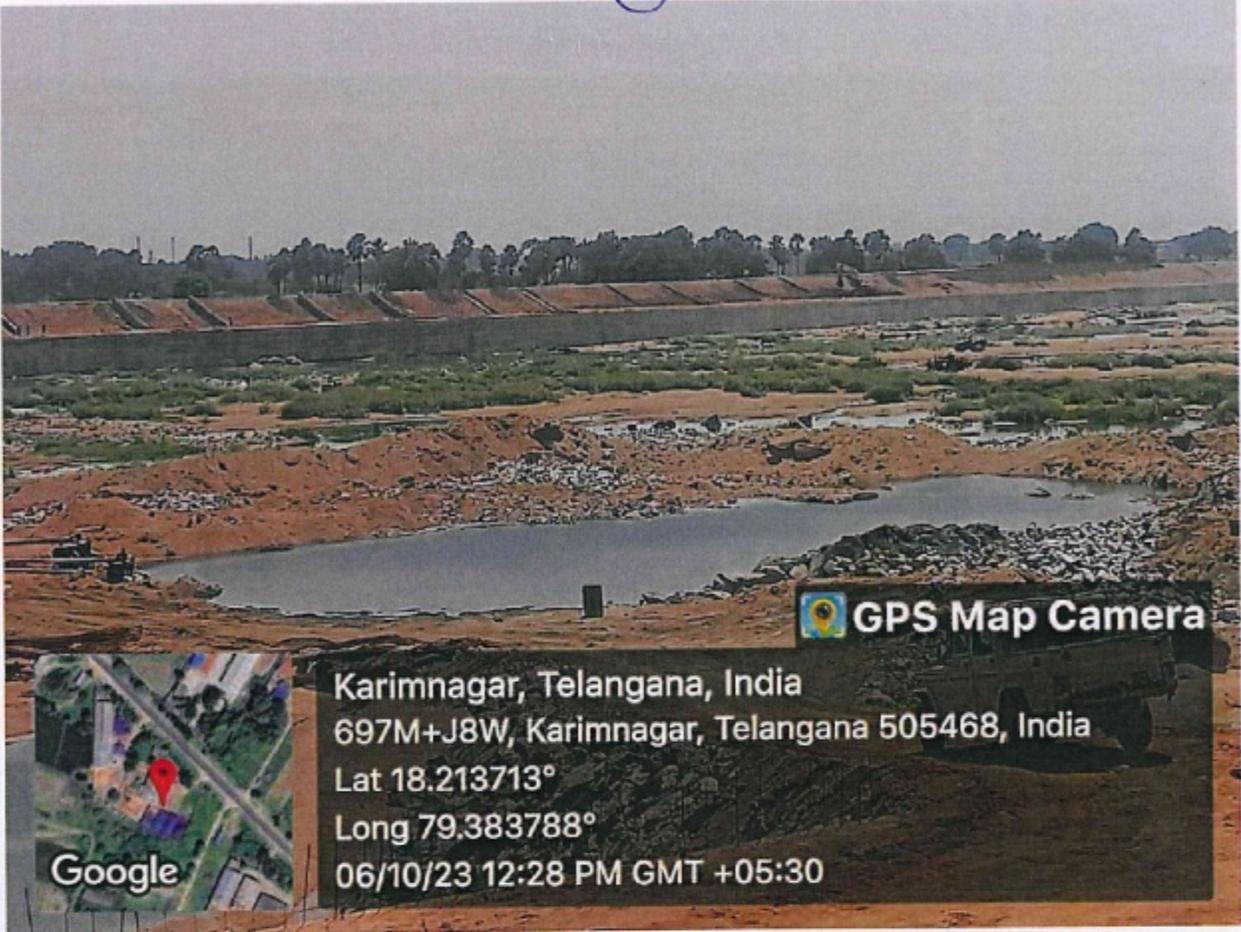


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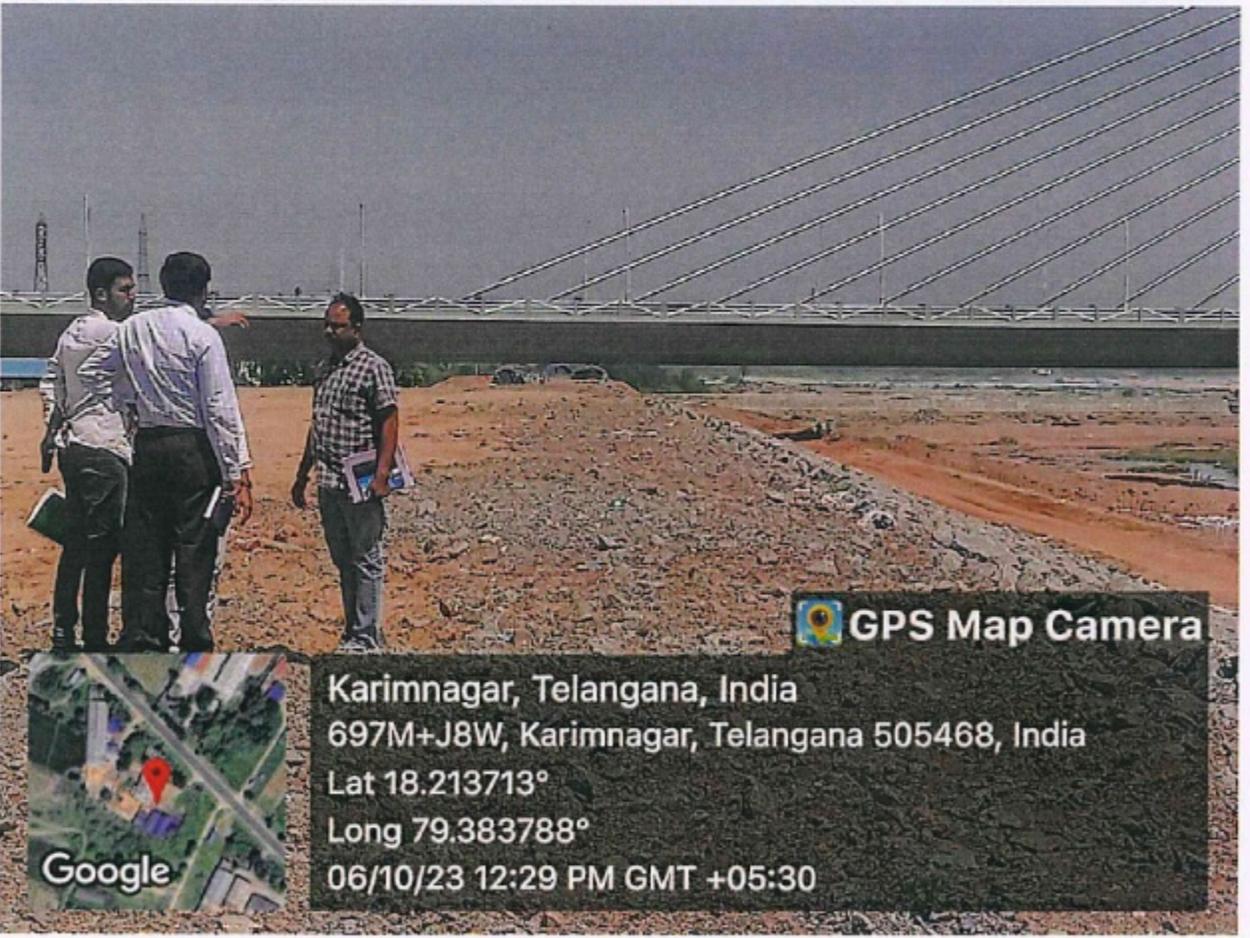
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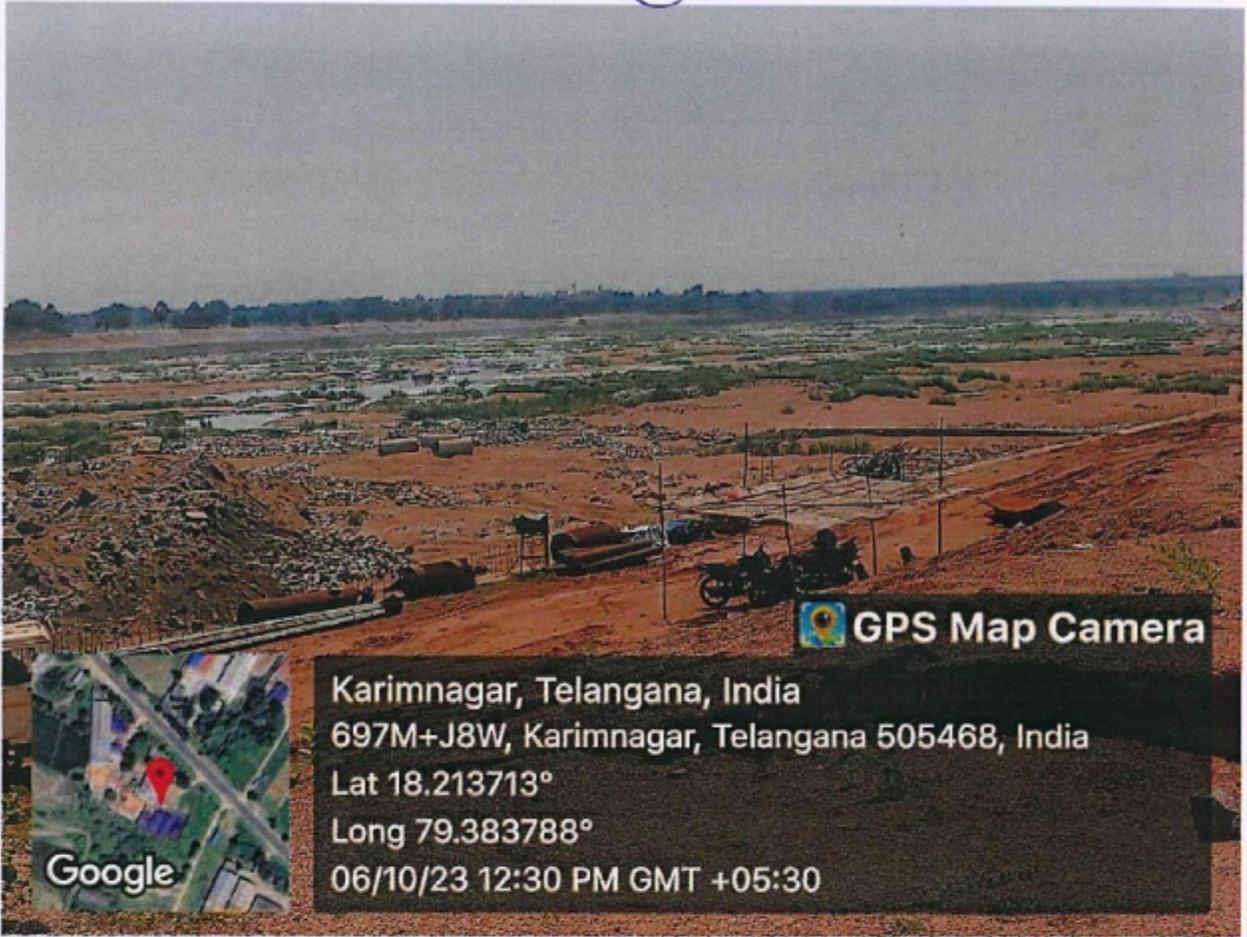


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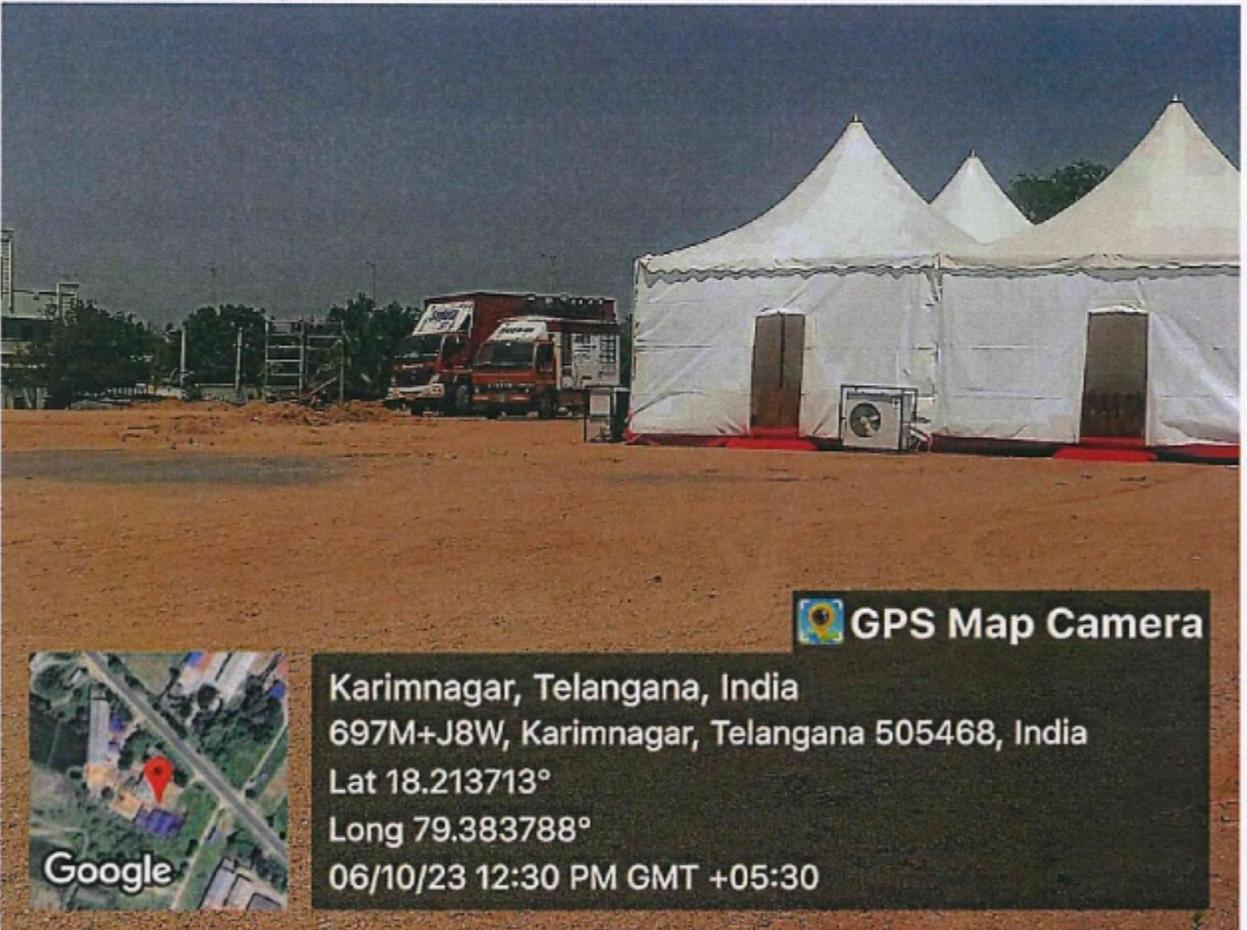


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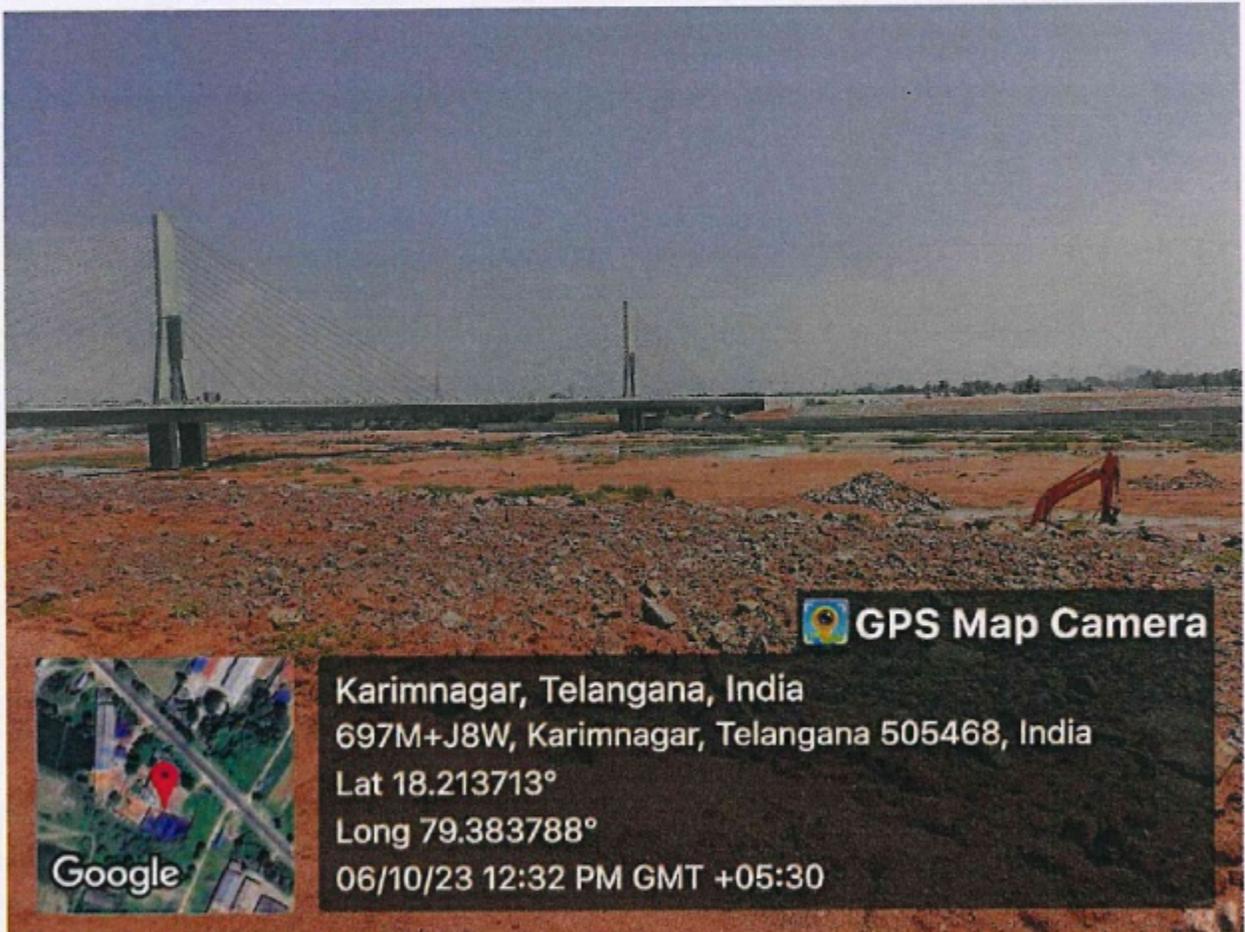


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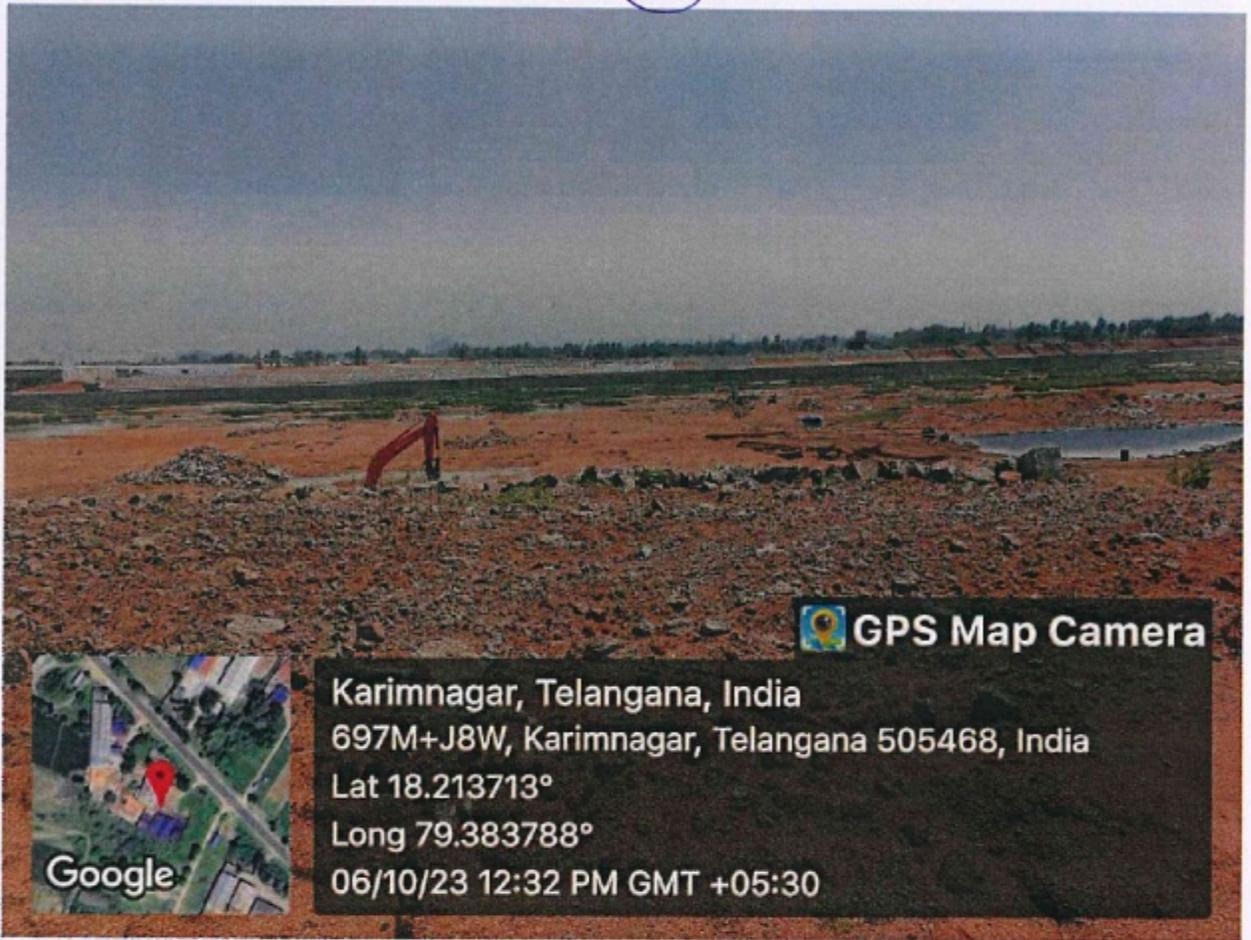


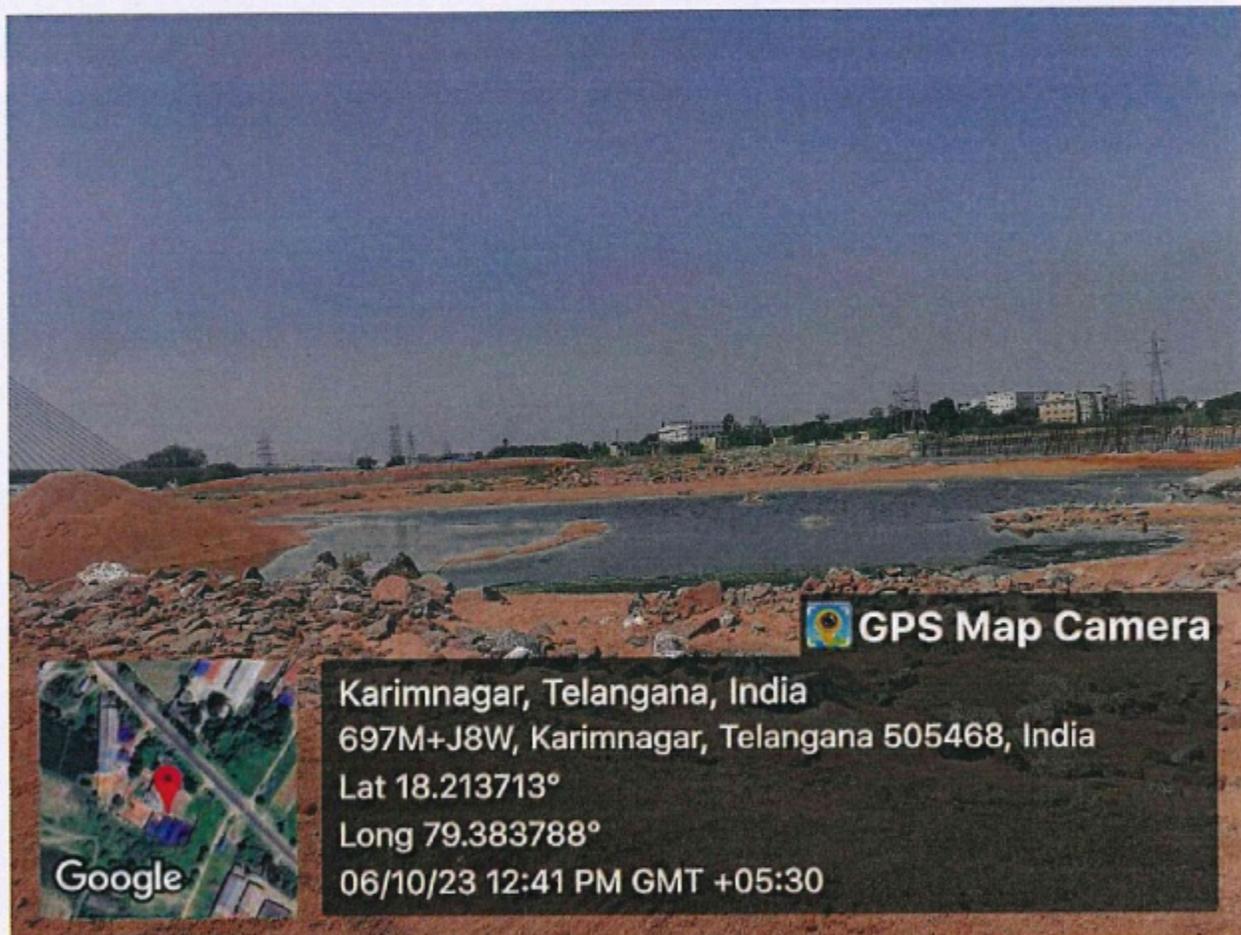
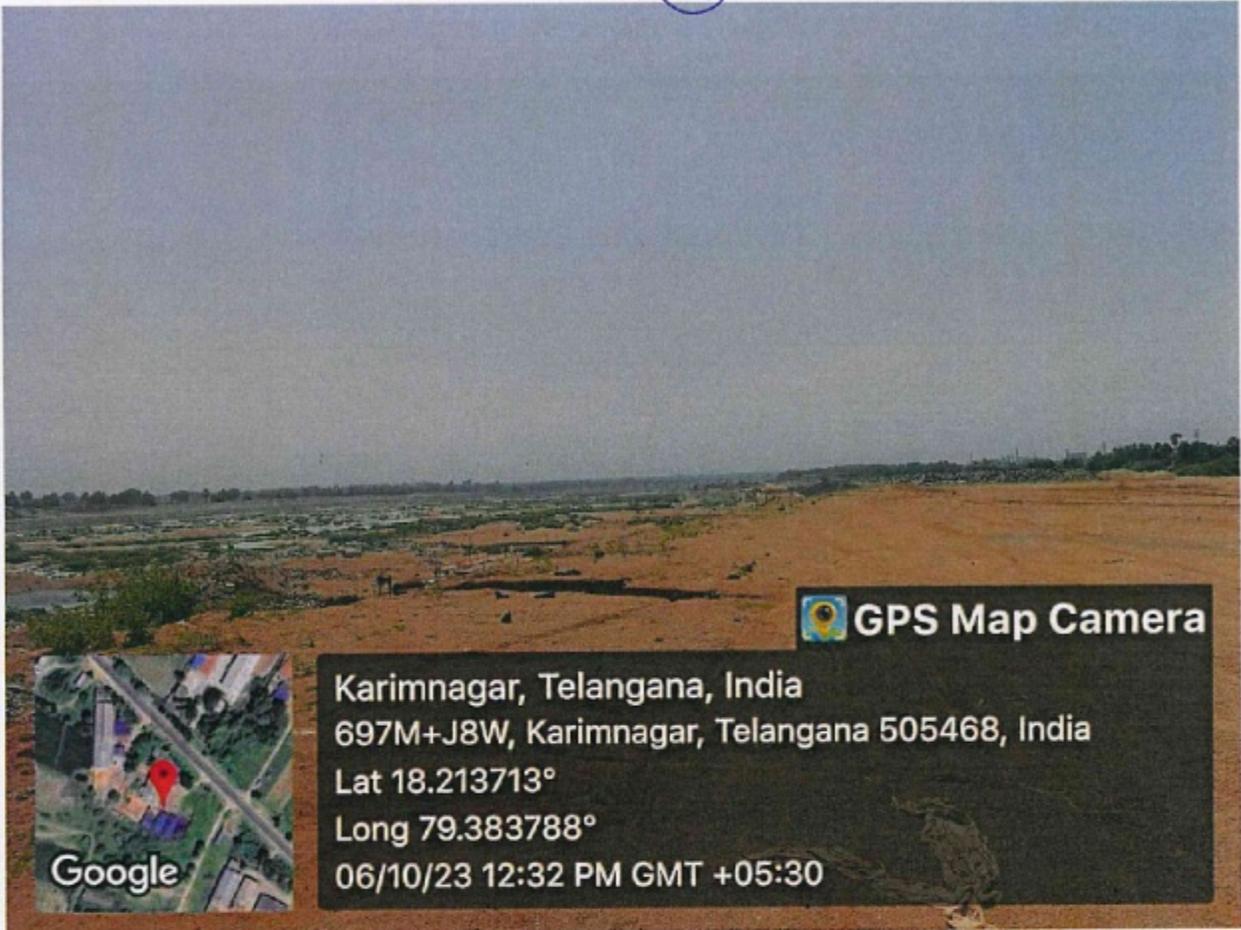
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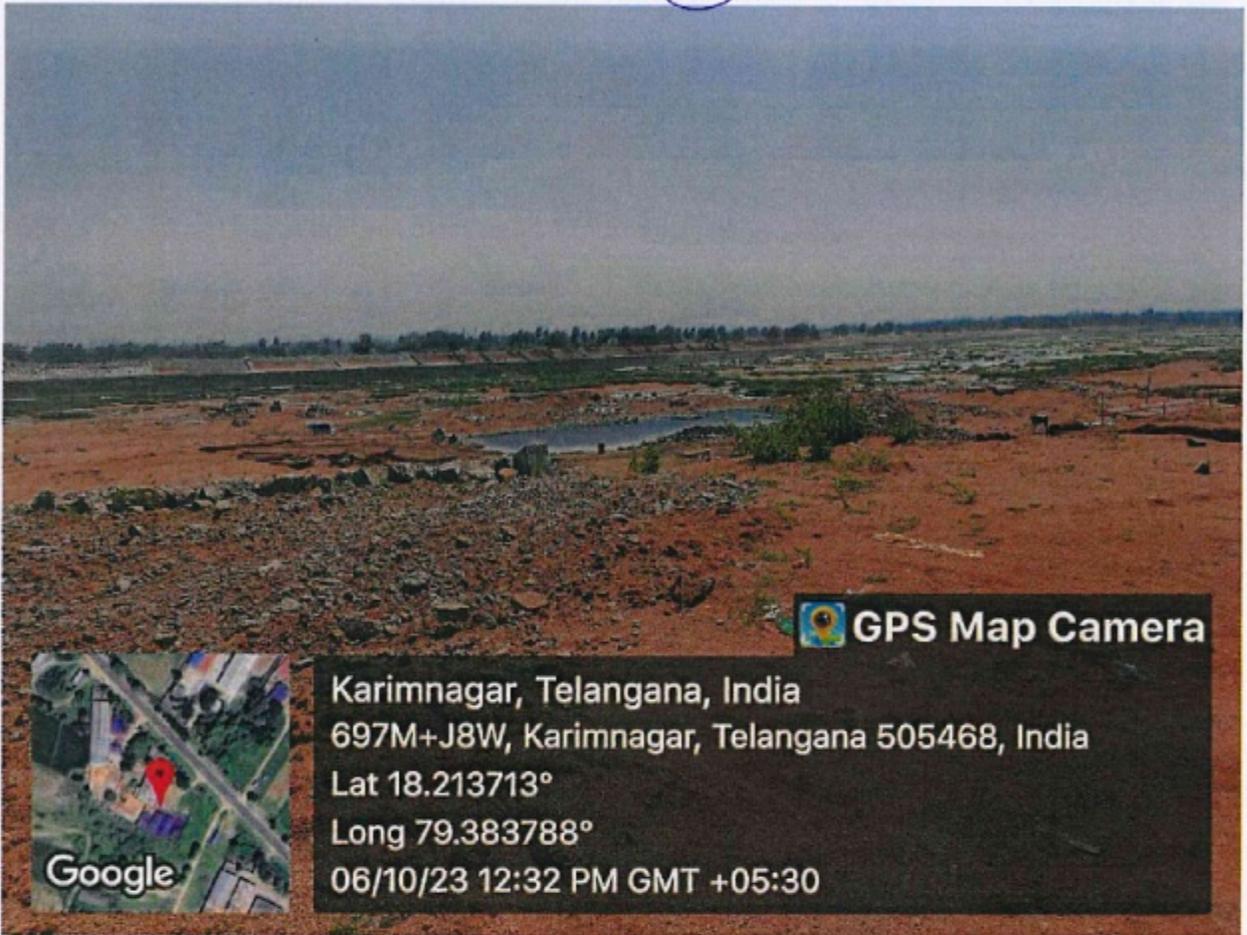


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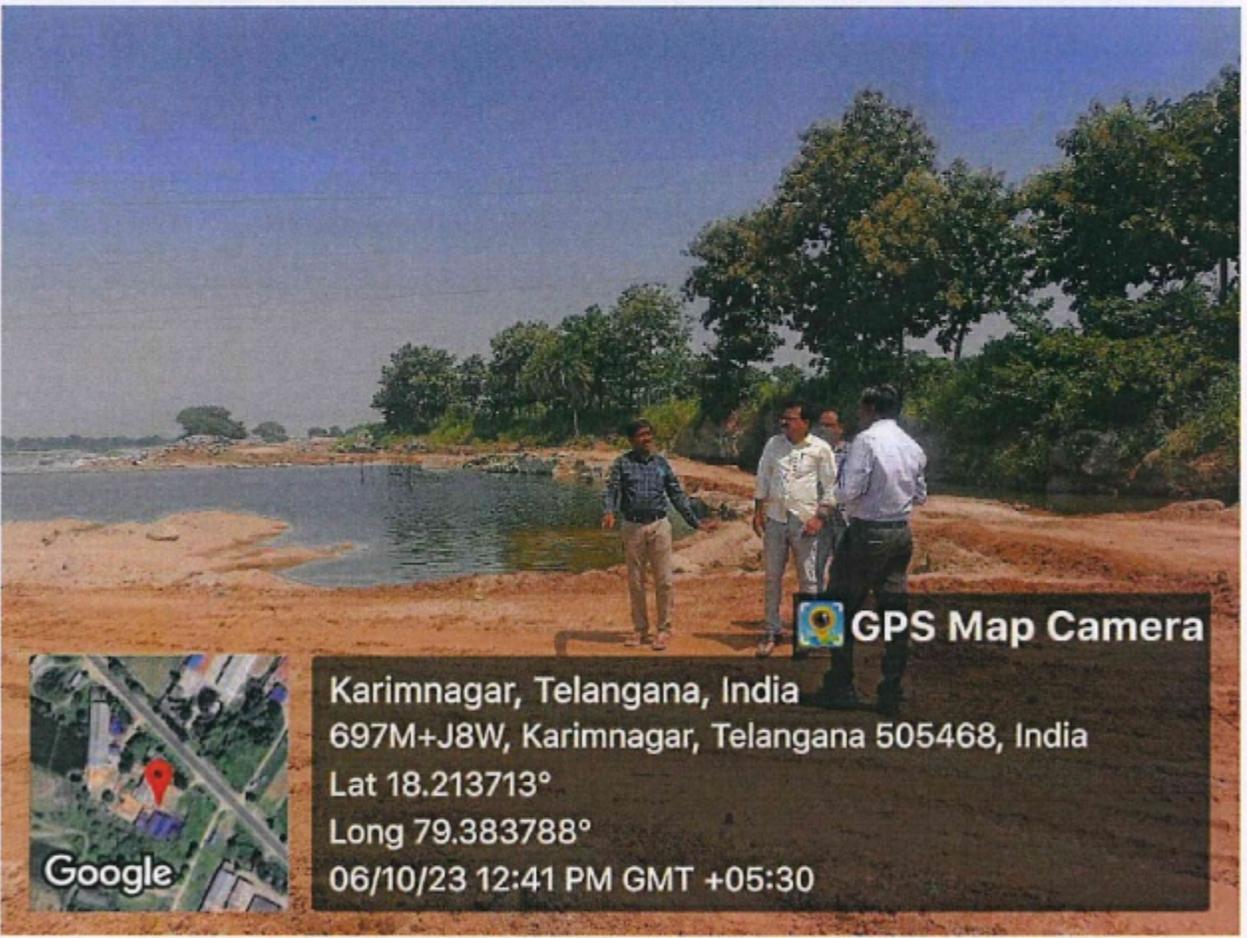
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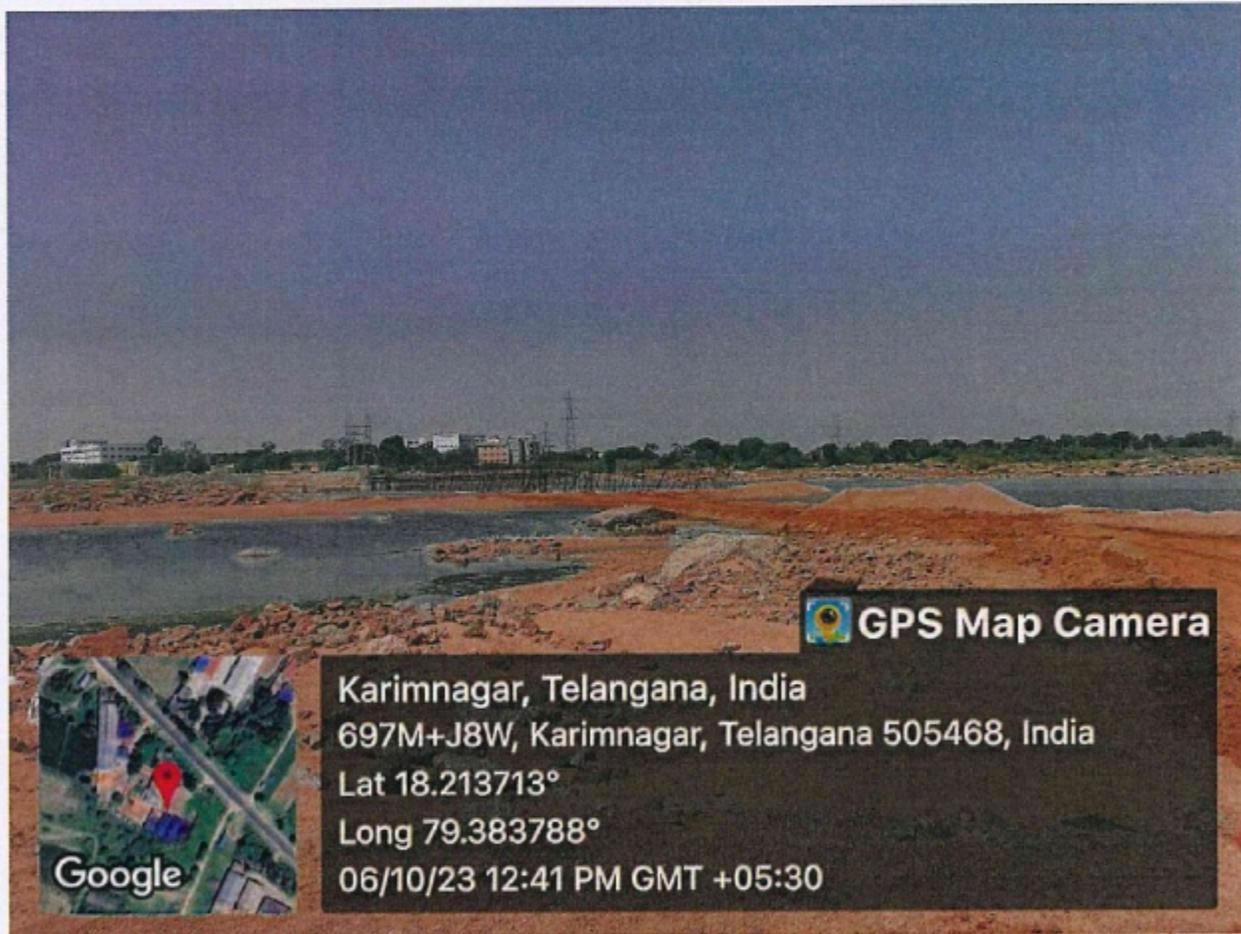
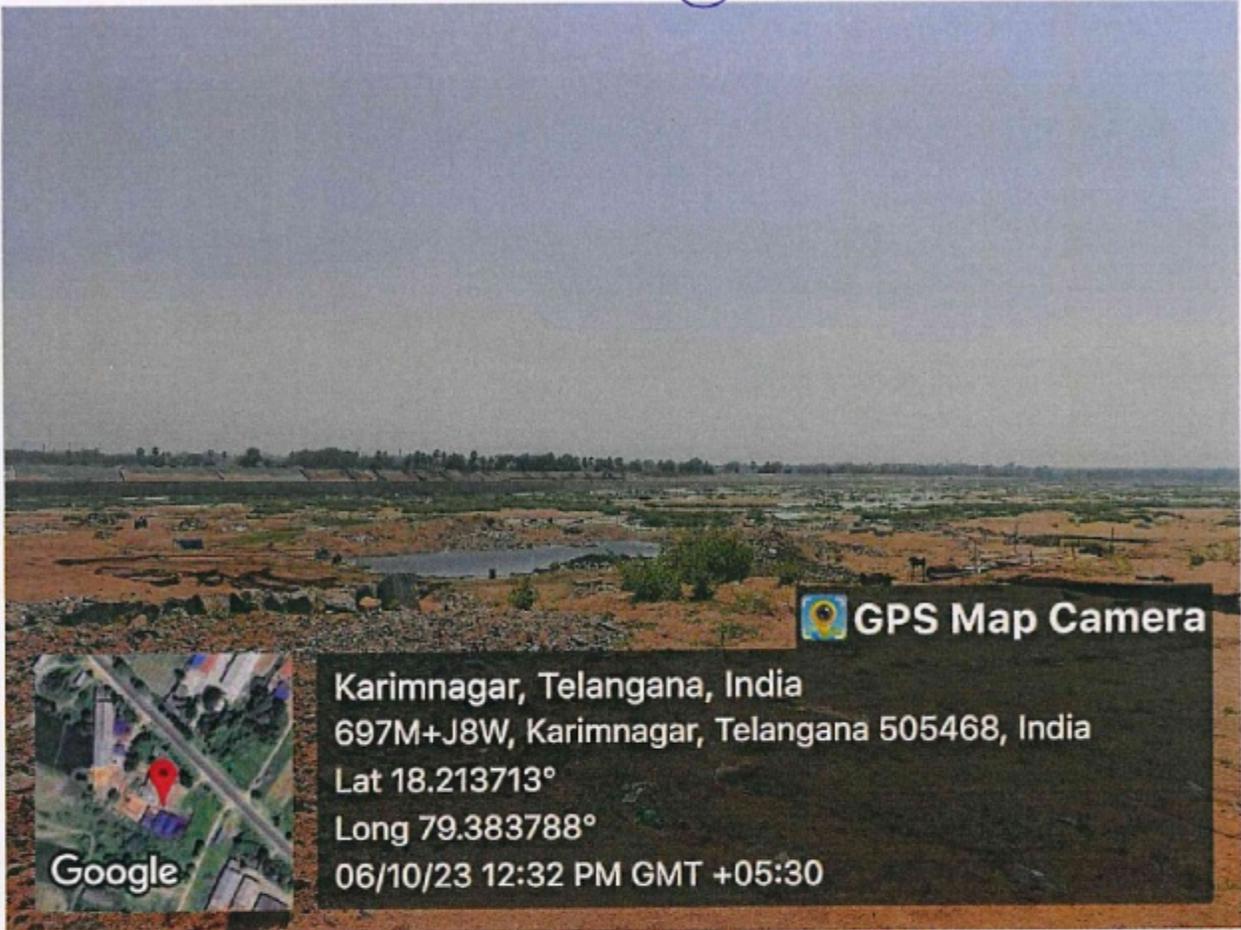
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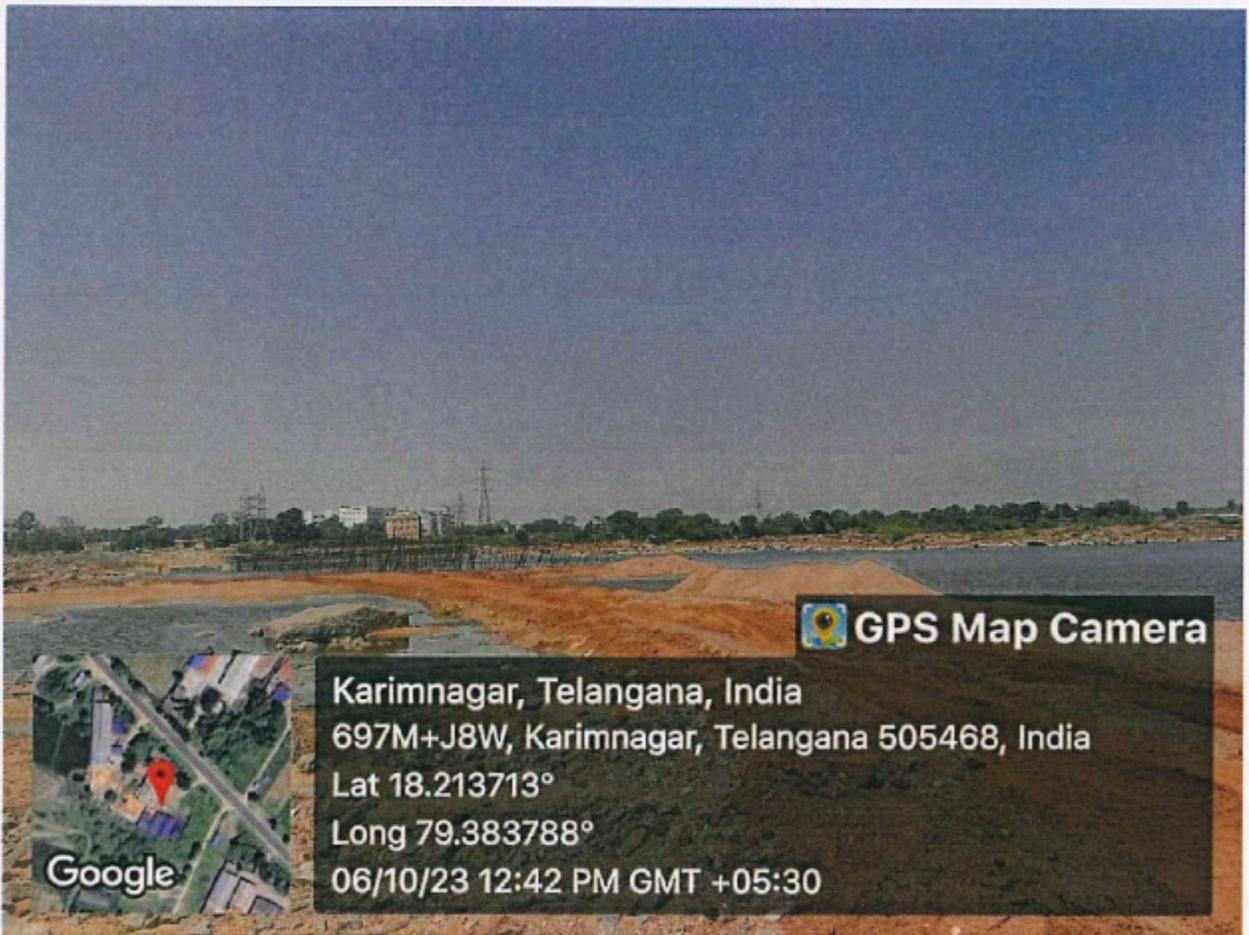
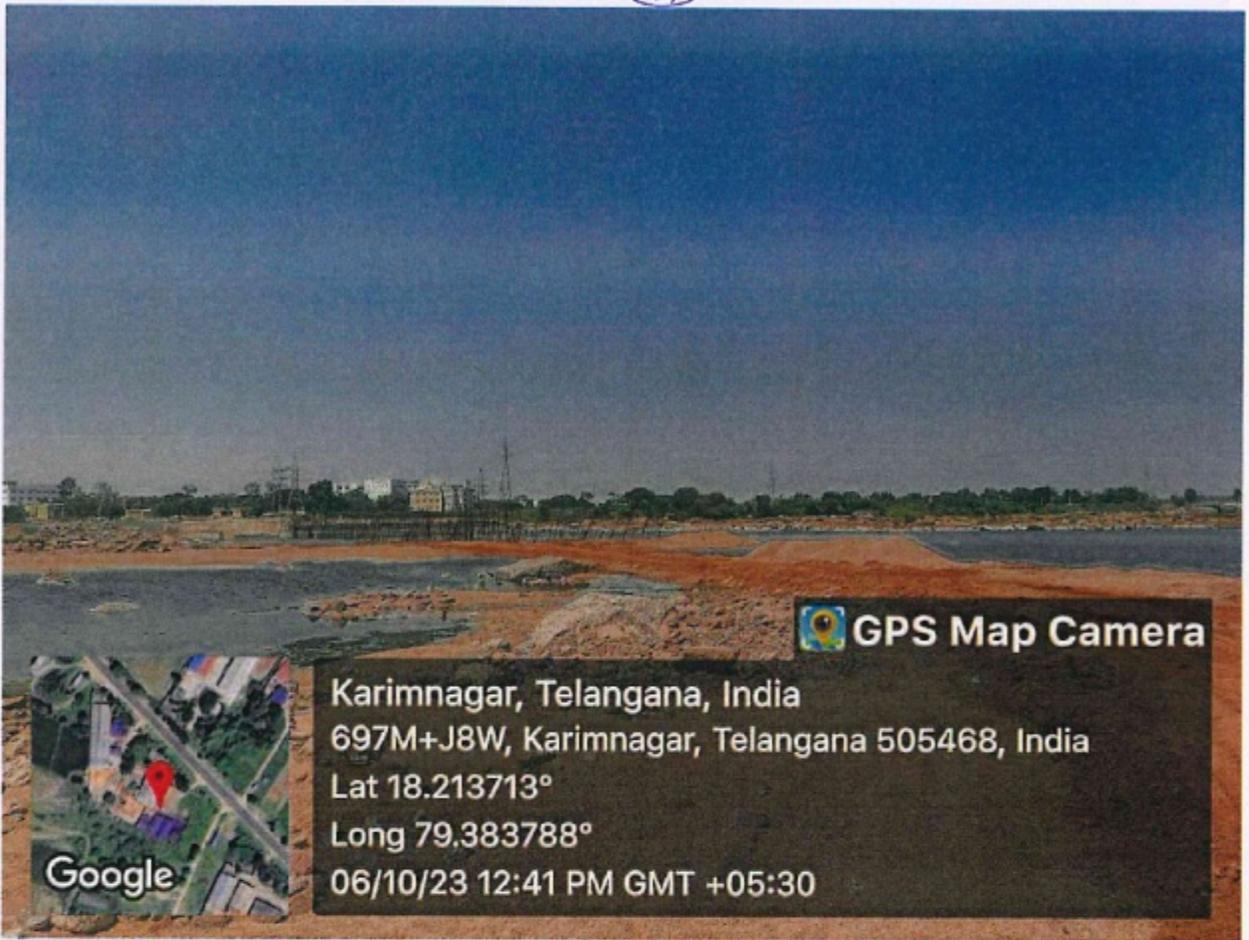
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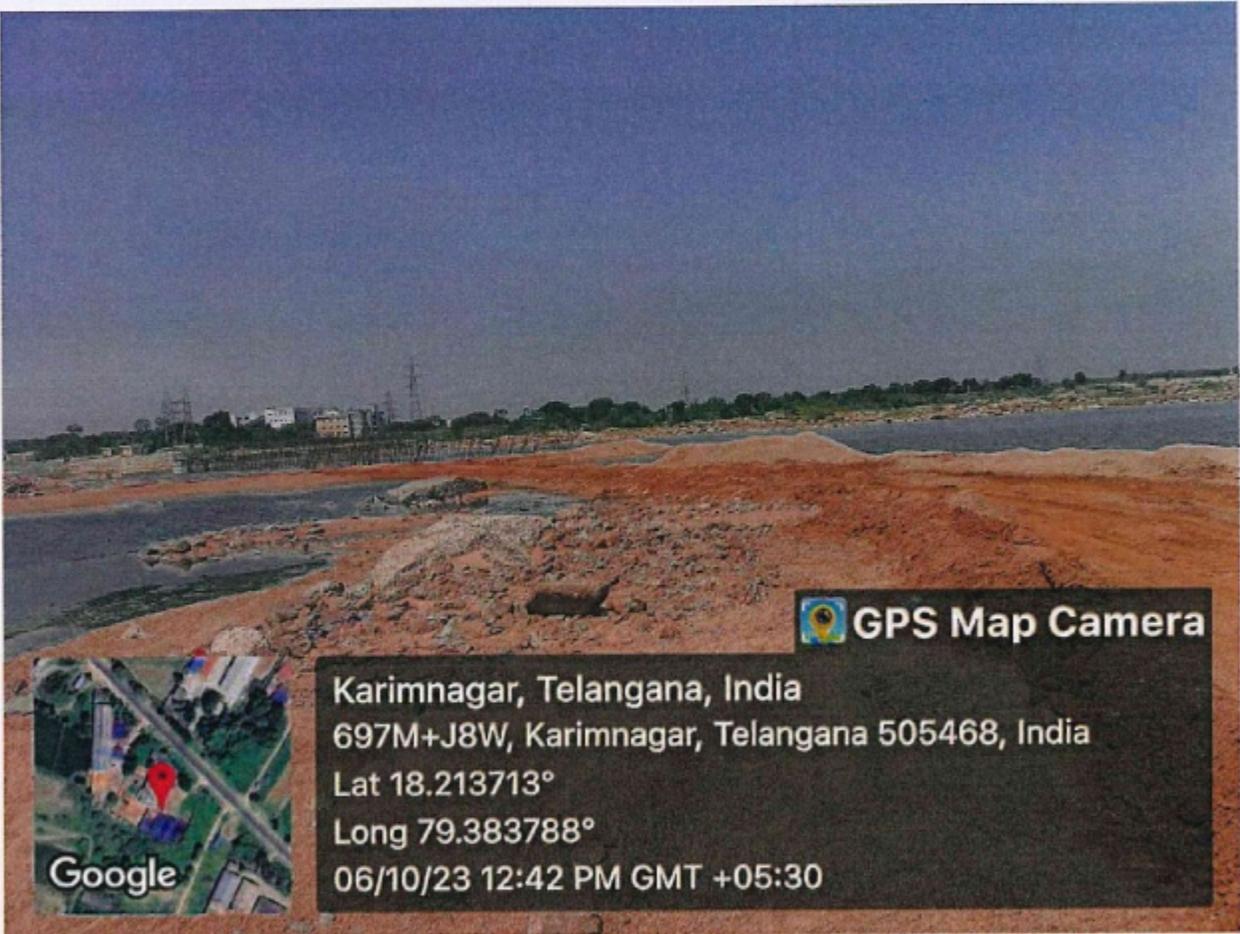


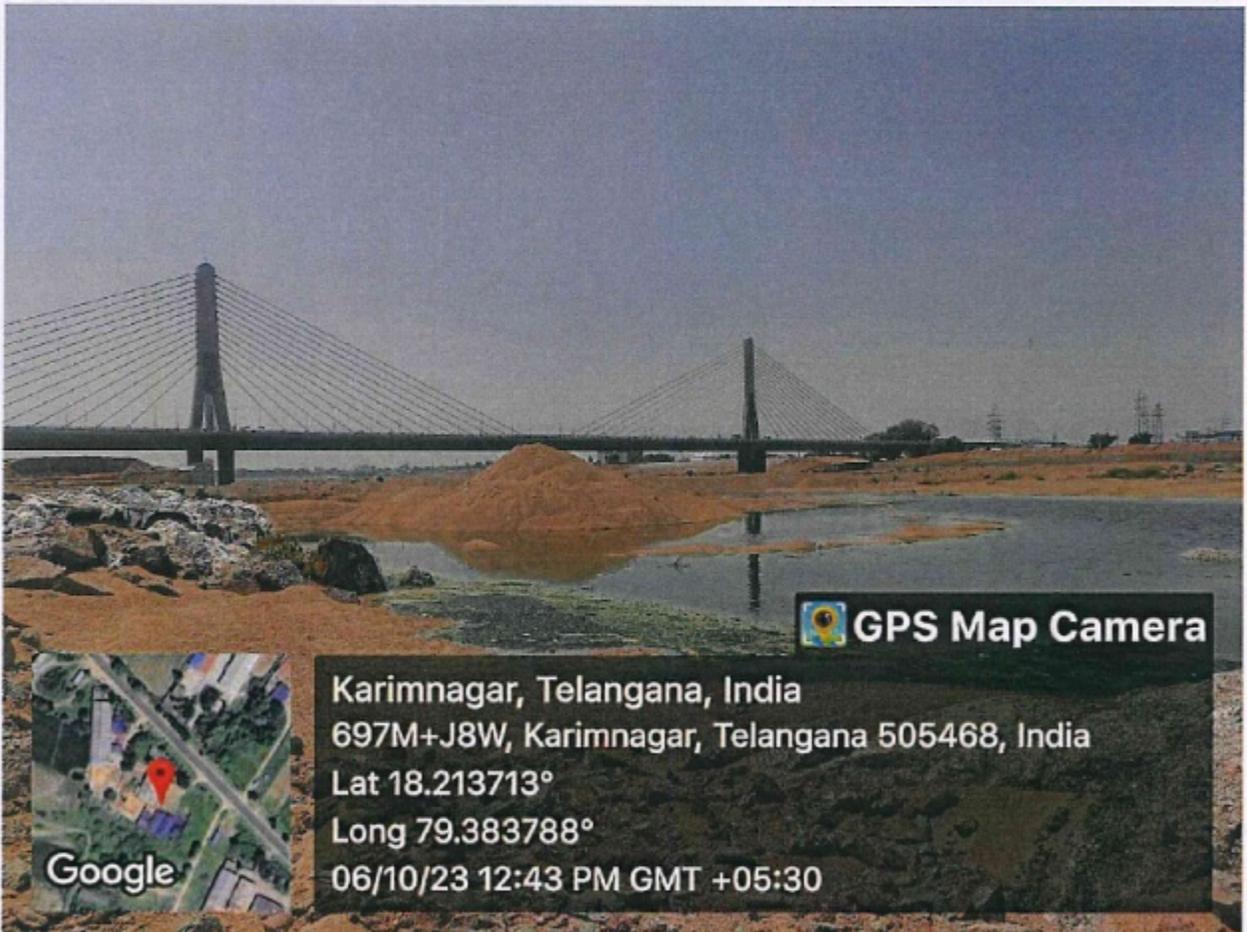
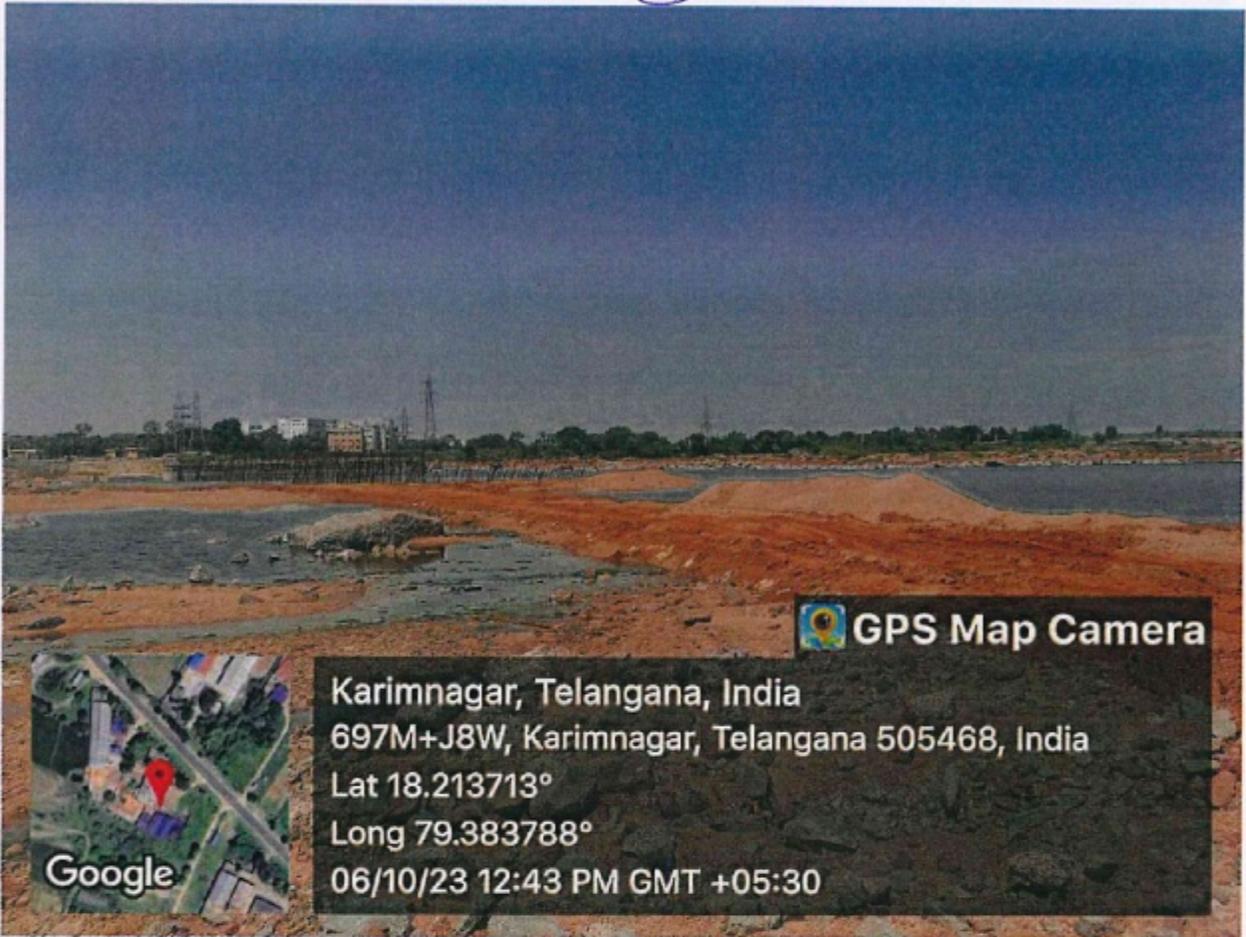
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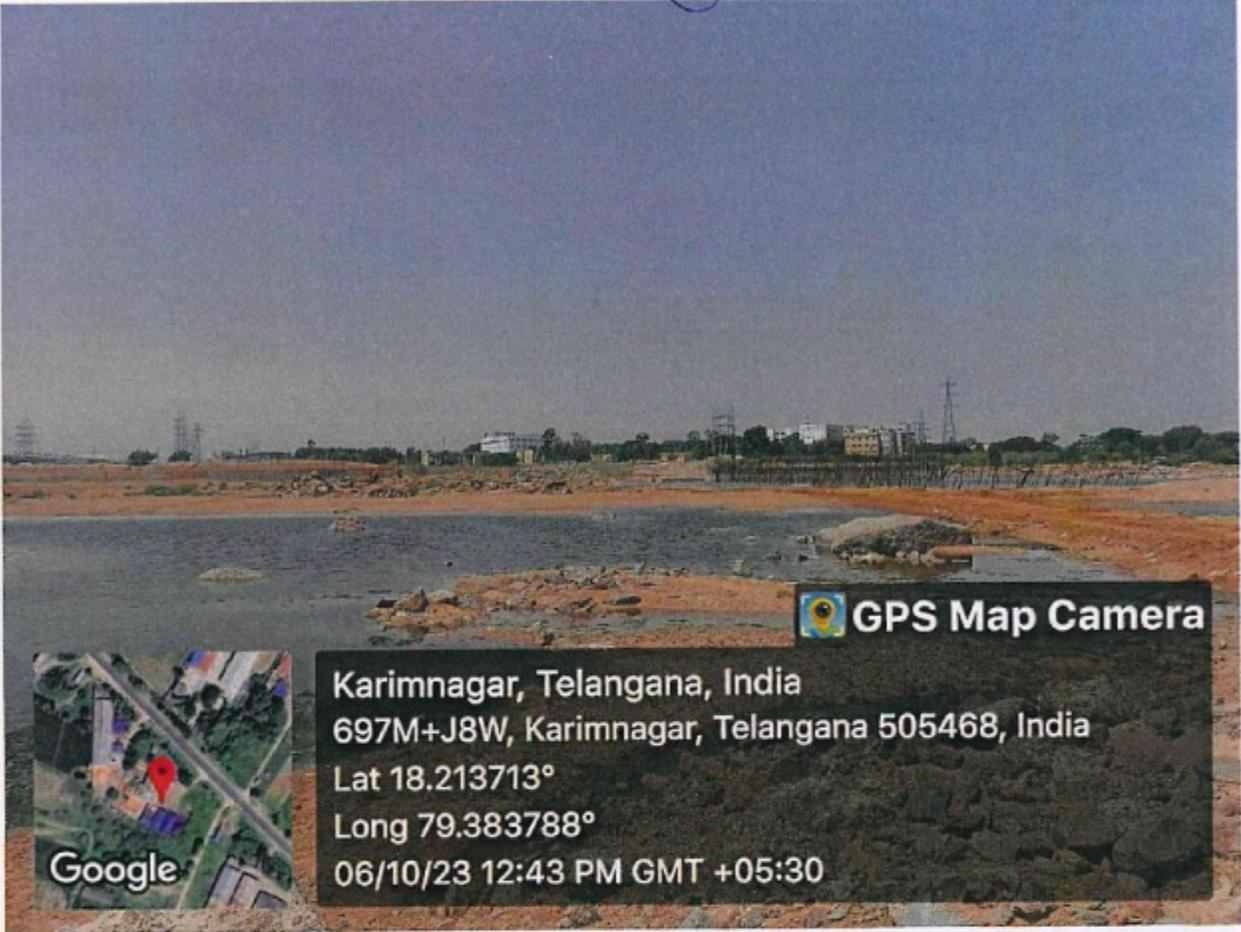


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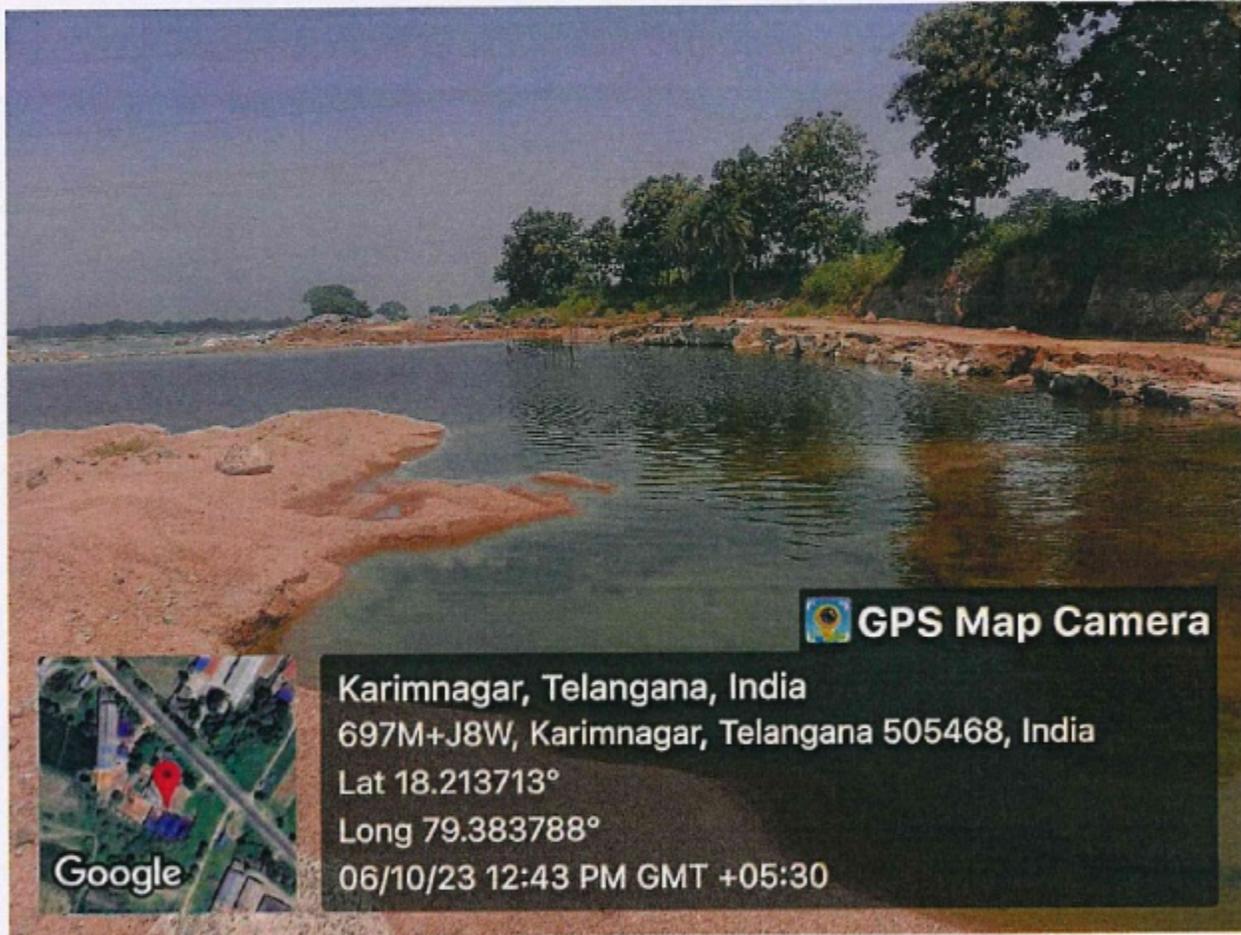






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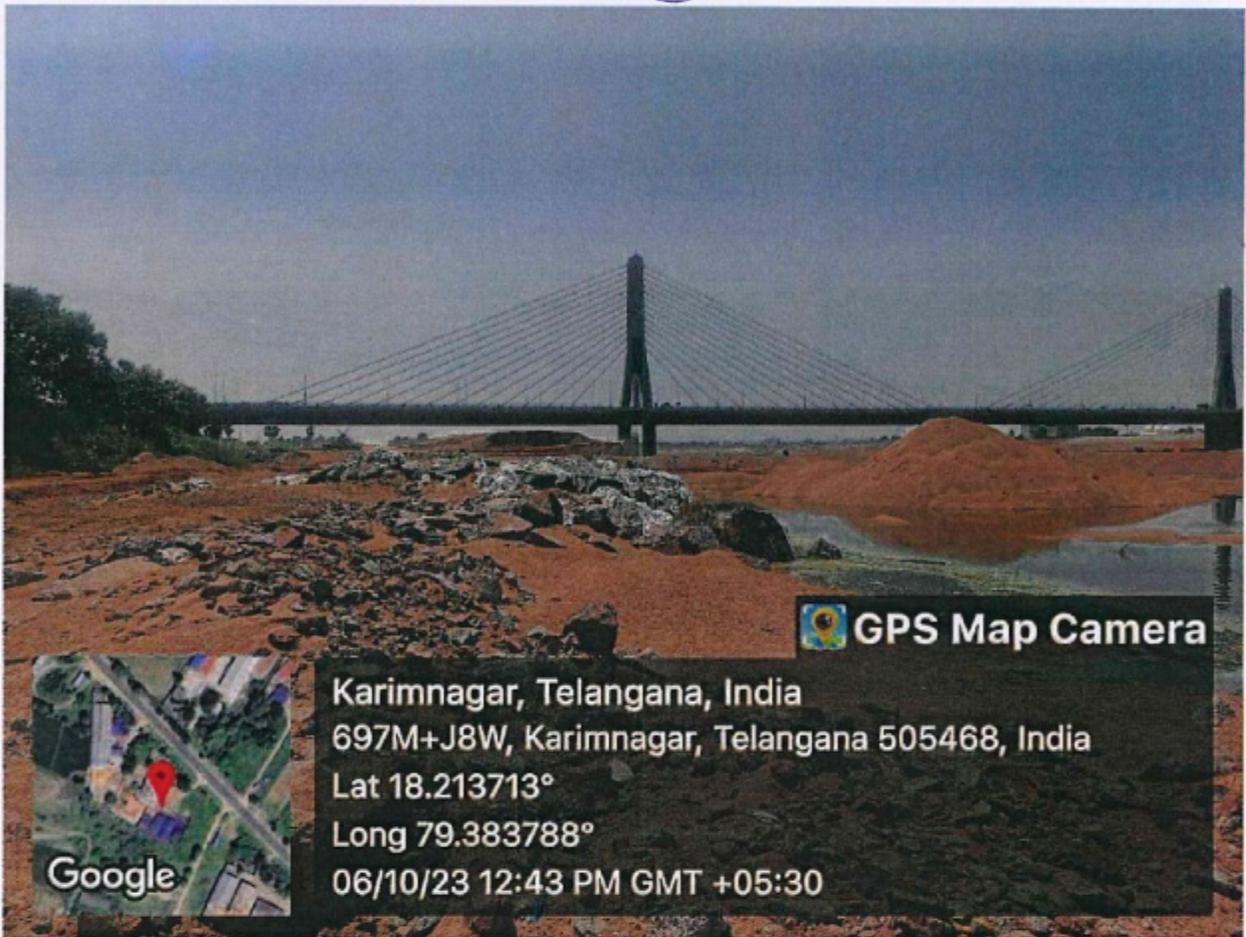
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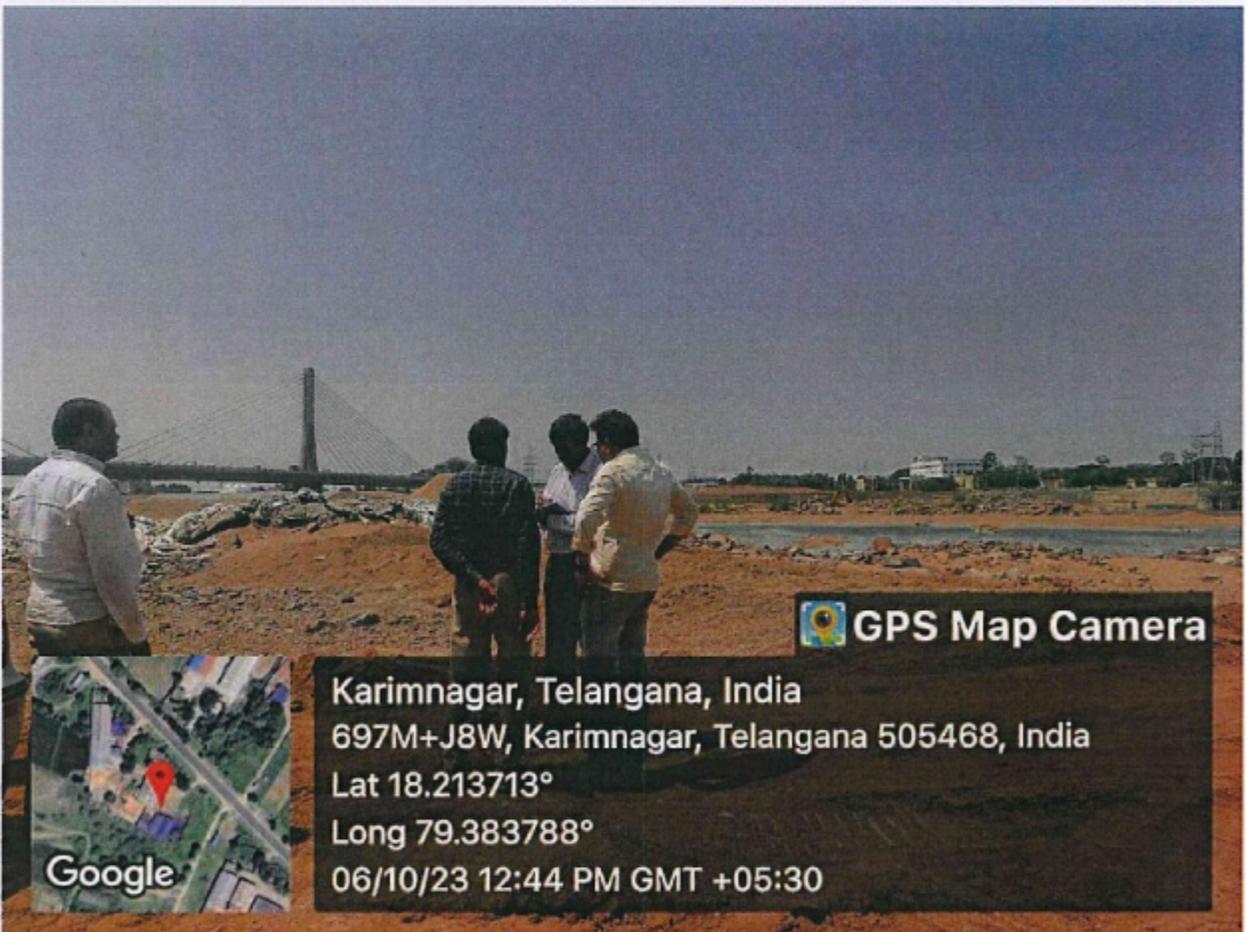


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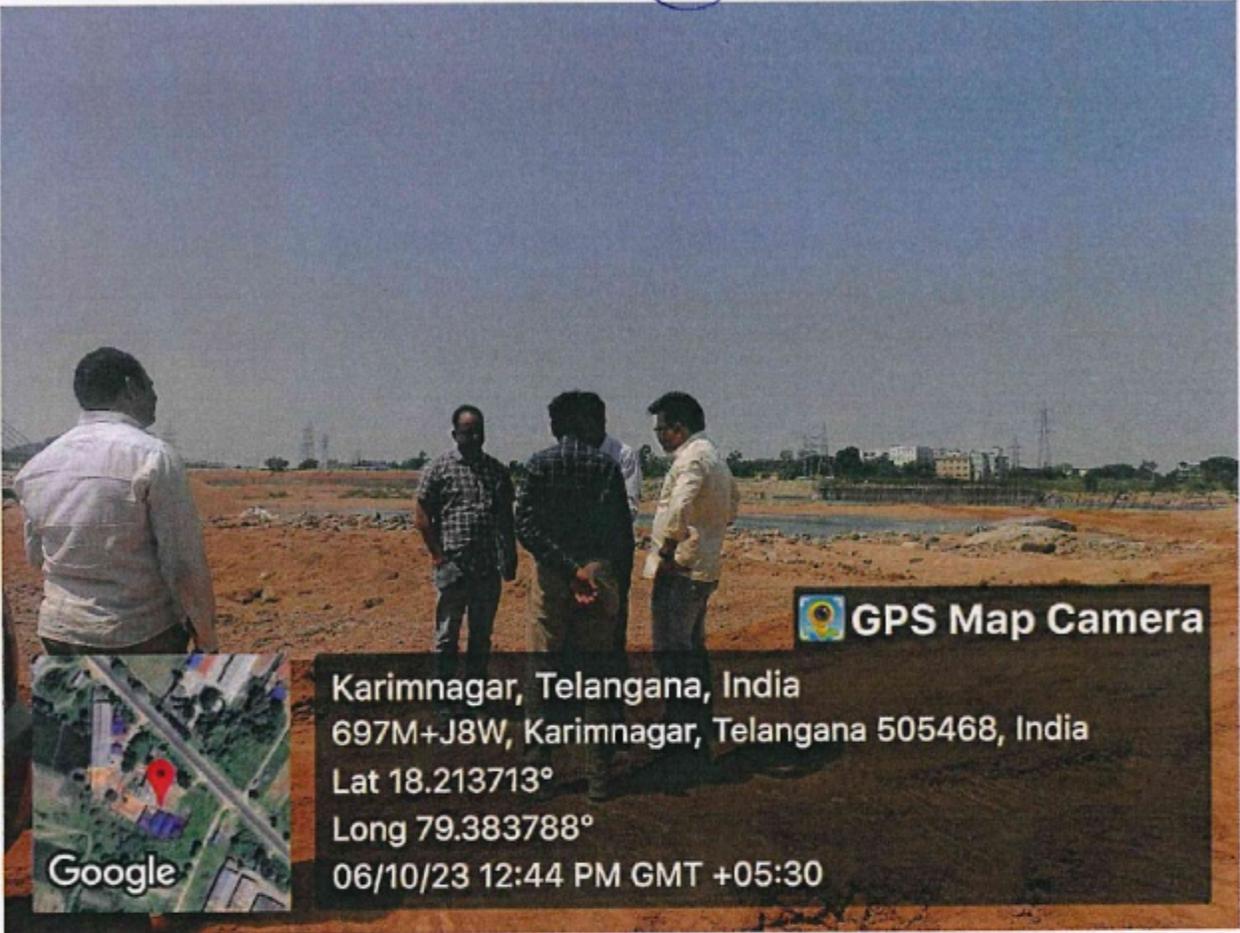


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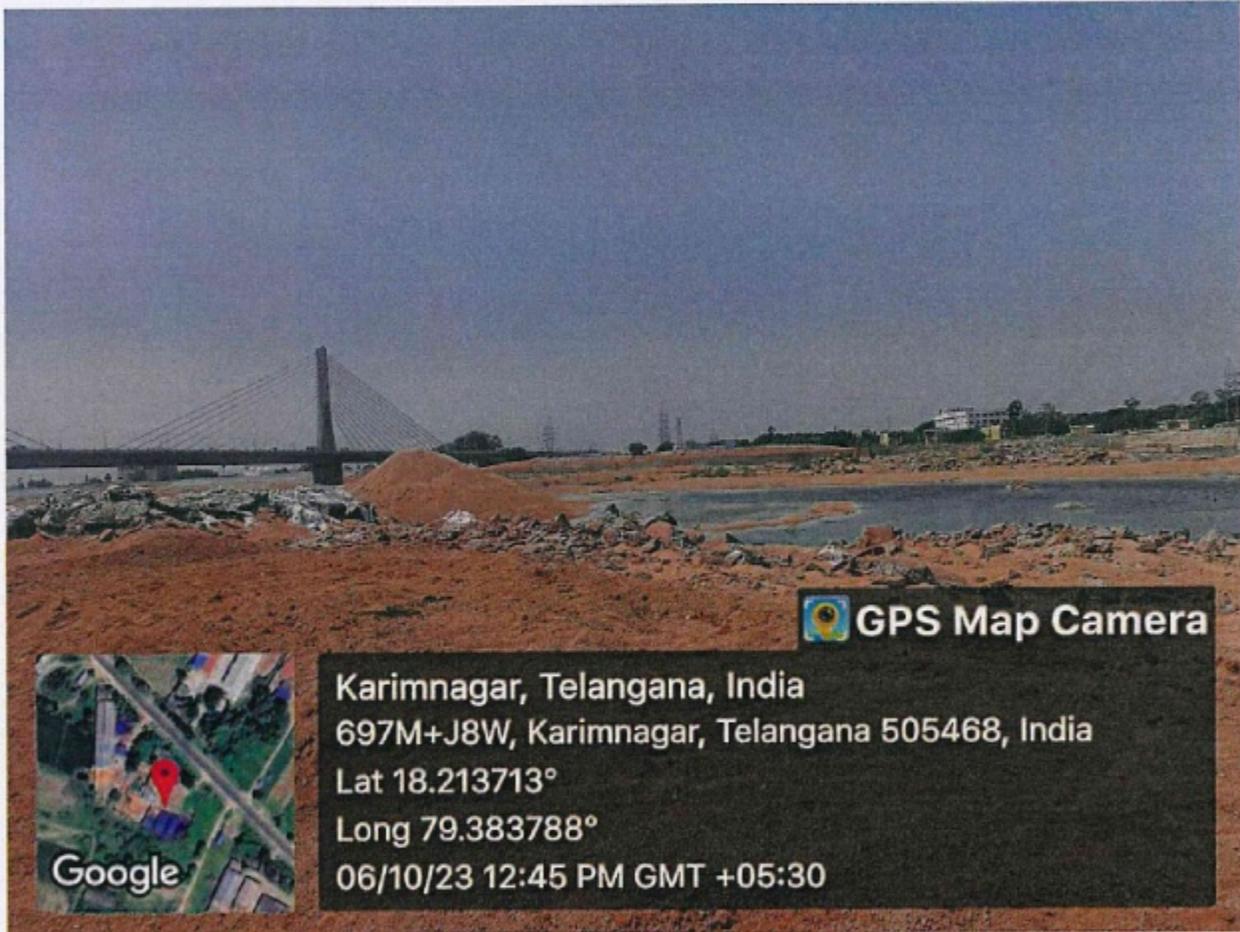
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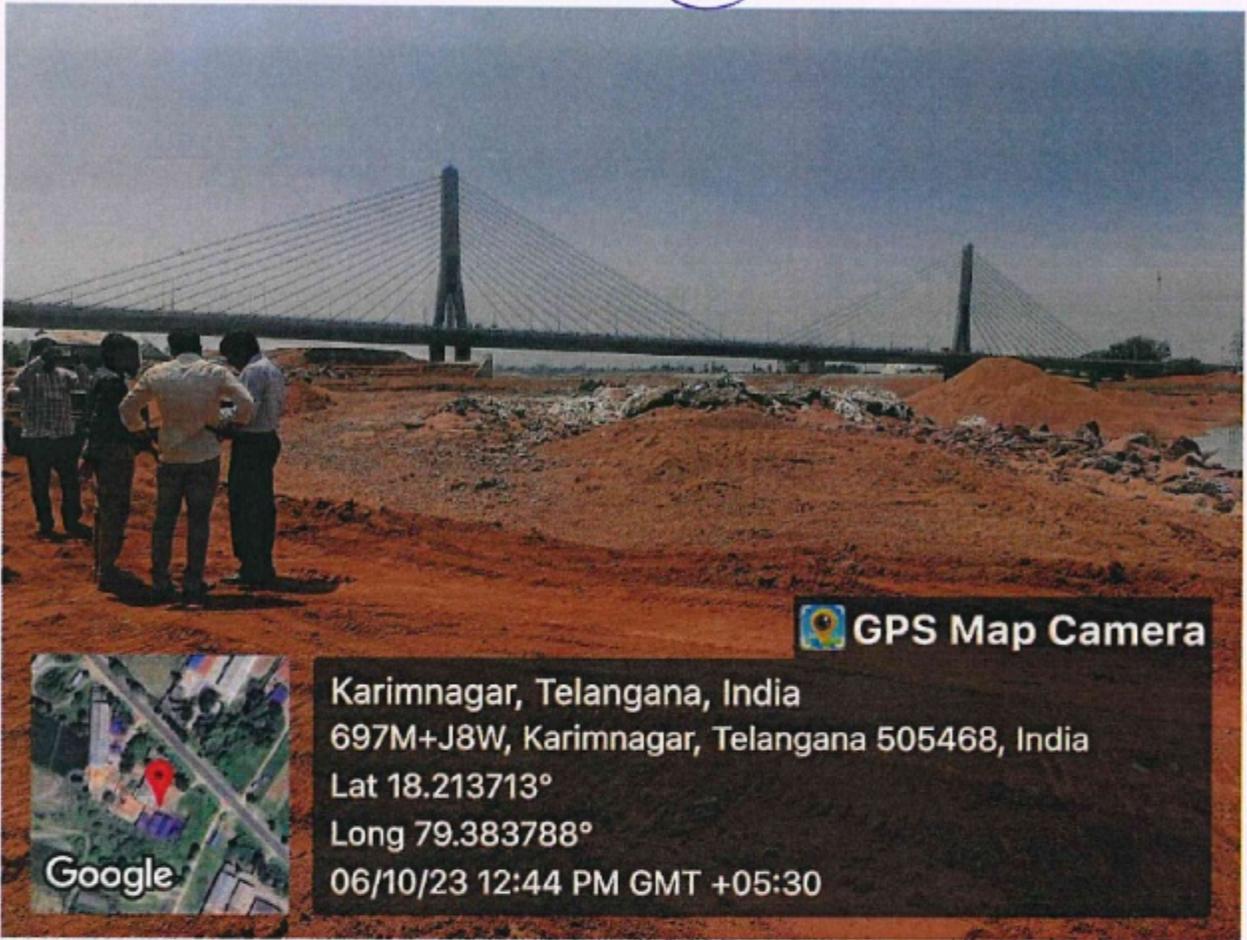


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