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PREFACE

Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) decided to conduct the preparatory survey and entrust the survey to Nippon Koei Co., Ltd..

The survey team held a series discussions with the officials concerned of the Government of Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, and conducted field investigations. As a result of further studies in Japan, the present report was finalized.

I hope that this report will contribute to the promotion of the project and to the enhancement of friendly relations between our two countries.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the officials concerned of the Government of Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal for their close cooperation extended to the survey team.

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Summary

SUMMARY

1 Outline of the Country

The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, with an area of approximately 147,000 km², is a landlocked Himalayan country in Southwest Asia. It is bordered by China in the north and by India on the remaining three directions. The capital of Nepal is Kathmandu located in the Kathmandu Valley, which has a size of about 25 km from east to west and about 20 km from south to north. The total population of Nepal is about 28.58 million as of 2011 according to the Central Bureau of Statistics. Out of this population, the Kathmandu Valley has about 2.51 million. The Terai Plain located along India's border is a major farm production area.

According to the latest data from the Ministry of Finance (MOF), Nepal's nominal gross domestic product (GDP) for the year 2010/2011 is around US\$18.5 billion and per-capita nominal GDP is around US\$642. Primary industries such as agriculture cover almost 40% of the GDP and sustain about 80% of Nepal's population. Secondary industries such as manufacturing account for about 20% of the GDP, and tertiary industries such as tourism business and services comprise the remaining 40% of the GDP.

The road subsector has the lead role in the national transport system of Nepal. The development of road network started in the 1950s, and the length of the network has expanded up to 10,835 km by 2009/2010. However, road network development in Nepal still has a long way to go since 12 among 75 districts of the entire nation still do not have a motorable roadway at all and 15 district headquarters are not linked to the road network as of December 2005. Furthermore, since there is no all-weather road in Eastern Nepal where Sindhuli Road is located, populations of over one million do not receive the benefits of social and economic development brought about by road development. Moreover, the service level of the road is insufficient since about 70% of the network is unpaved and the road network is weak against sediment-related disasters. Therefore, in order to achieve the National Plan, which primarily aims at poverty reduction, and to reduce traffic cost from the viewpoint of the national economy, the expansion of road networks together with the maintenance and improvement of the existing roads are among the main concerns in Nepal.

2 Background and Outline of the Project

The Banepa-Sindhuli-Bardibas Highway (or simply "Sindhuli Road"), with a total length of around 160 km, is currently under construction through grant assistance from the Government of Japan (GOJ) since November 1996. The construction will be completed in 2014. Once fully opened, this road will be an important alternative highway connecting the capital city of Kathmandu with the Eastern Terai Plain. This will contribute to the development of the eastern region of Nepal.

Many road sections in Nepal are cut off due to heavy rains during the rainy season. The sections along Sindhuli Road are also situated on adverse topographic geological conditions. Therefore, road construction has been managed carefully to cope with sediment-related disasters. However, during and after construction, the road remains affected by sediment-related disasters in completed Sections I,

II and VI. Most of the damaged sections have been appropriately rehabilitated. Nevertheless, as some sections have not yet been repaired, full traffic operations will not be sustained even after the full opening of the road.

In order to improve the current traffic situation and strengthen the road maintenance system of Sindhuli Road, the Government of Nepal (GON) has requested GOJ for a grant aid technical assistance project. In August 2009, the Japan International Corporation Agency (JICA) implemented a brief study on the strengthening of the maintenance system for Sindhuli Road. During the study, the present conditions of the completed Sections I, II, and IV of Sindhuli Road were inspected. Among the slope failures along the road, Sta. 17+400, Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 in Section II were found to be most serious where such failures could cause major impacts to road traffic in the future. Successively, JICA carried out Phase 1 of the “Preparatory Survey on the Project for Countermeasure Construction for Landslides on Sindhuli Road Section II” to identify the necessity and validity of the implementation of permanent countermeasures in 2010. As a result of the survey, it was found out that permanent countermeasures for the three sites were required to ensure traffic safety, and the corresponding basic design was planned. Among the three sites mentioned, it was decided that countermeasures for Sta. 17+400 can be implemented by applying Nepalese construction technology. As for Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200, advanced technologies should be introduced to maintain sustainable and safe road traffic conditions.

Considering the above situation, GOJ decided to conduct Phase 2 of the “Preparatory Survey on the Project for Countermeasure Construction for the Landslides on Sindhuli Road Section II”. GOJ dispatched the JICA Survey Team to Nepal from September 1 to 30, 2011 to design permanent countermeasures on the construction project to mitigate landslides at Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200.

3 Outline of Preparatory Survey and Main Features of Project Facilities

Countermeasures for Sta. 17+400 among the three points mentioned above have already been implemented by GON. Hence, studies for countermeasure planning for Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 were carried out in this preparatory survey. Considering the result of the survey, countermeasures for the two sites have been planned. The policies for the selection of countermeasures are listed below.

- **Policy for Selection of Countermeasures at Sta. 17+600**

Quartzite and sandy schist is distributed around Sta. 17+600. As a whole, it is hard and dense, but the schistosity dips at a high angle oblique to the slope, and the sheeting joints parallel to the slope have developed (landslide A area) (See location map II of in the beginning of this project). This type of schistosity and joint has caused the occurrence of cracks on the road surface. Ground anchors are the best method to prevent landslides that have such geology and failure mechanism. In addition to the A area, loosened zone (landslide B area) is distributed on the lower side at Sta. 17+620. The loosened zone of the schist has been creeping due to toppling phenomenon, which moves towards valley direction. It was judged that a mass landslide would occur in the area without a suitable countermeasure. The embankment to stabilize the B area was selected to prevent landslide occurrence in the future.

The road traffic in the site would be secured by implementation of two major countermeasures

mentioned above.

- Policy for Selection of Countermeasures at Sta. 18+200

Slope failures at Sta. 18+200 have occurred on the steep slope that consists of quartzite schist, which is deforming and creeping due to toppling. Cracks appeared on the slope just below the road in 2003, as well as on the road that was first constructed in 2005. In 2006, the road was realigned about 6 m toward the mountain side to avoid the landslide area. As a result of observation during the rainy season in 2010, it was found that the dimensions of loosened zone at Sta. 18+200 having width of -about 50 m (width) and length of about -50 m (length) including the existing road, and have been deforming actively during rainy season. The realignment for safety zone was selected at Sta. 18+200.

- Outline of the Countermeasures

The facilities designed in the survey are summarized below.

Table 1 Outline of the Countermeasures

Area	Item	Contents and Scale	Purpose
Landslide countermeasure (Landslide A and Landslide B)	Ground anchors	Length of construction: 50 m Pieces:120 Length: 9.5-14.0 m, $\Sigma L=1,400$ m	To deter the occurrence of landslide A which can reach up to 50 m (Sta. 17+555 - Sta. 17+605) and cause cracks on the road.
	Crib works F500	A=1,300 m ² , Shotcrete within crib works	
	Crib works F300	A=300 m ² , Shotcrete within crib works	
	Shotcrete	A=2,200 m ²	To prevent infiltration of surface water.
	Embankment	Embankment volume: V=76,000 m ³ Vegetation: A=7,600 m ² Drainage Closed conduit: L=350 m Open ditch (ground): L=350 m Open ditch (embankment): L=650 m Catch basin: Q=12	Countermeasure against landslide B includes environment improvement such as revegetation around the slope under the road. Excavation at Sta. 18+200 will be used as embankment material.
Realignment (Landslide C)	Road length	L=170 m	Countermeasure against landslide C: The road is realigned to avoid landslide C. Road will be realigned in the stability zone. Road alignment and travel performance are improved. Excavation at Sta. 18+200 will be used as embankment material in landslide C.
	Width of Road	W=4.75 m	
	Design speed	20 km/hr (without hairpin curve)	
	Earthworks	V=76,000 m ³ (diversion to embankment)	
	Pavement	Pavement: A=500 m ² , DBST: 500 m ²	
	Crib works F300	A=2,300 m ²	
		Sandbags within the crib works: 7,400 bags	
	Rock bolt	560 lods, $\Sigma L=1,700$ m	
	Retaining wall	A=1,000 m ²	
	Drainage	Drainage on the road: 200 m Drainage on the cat walk: 350 m Vertical drainage: 50 m Pipe culvert: 10 m Catch basin: Q=3	
Guard fence	Q=30		
Erosion prevention works	High intensity net	High intensity net: A=5,500 m ² Rock bolt: 1,700 lods, $\Sigma L=5,100$ m	To protect the unstable slope, the road will be installed with high intensity nets and rock bolts.

4 Environmental and Social Consideration for the Project

Countermeasures for landslide-prone areas will be made after completion. And, there will be no Project Affected Persons (PAPs) who is needed to remove due to implementation of the project. Hence, the Project will contribute to the improvement of the natural condition of the Project area. However, some

natural and social problems will come up during the construction stage, and, therefore, adequate environmental considerations should be paid for implementing the Project along with JICA and DOR regulations.

5 Construction Period and Estimated Project Cost

The estimated duration for the entire project including the detailed design and tendering processes will be 31 months. After issuance of notice to proceed (N/P), construction will commence. The estimated duration for construction stage of the project would be 25 months in total.

The cost to be shouldered by the Nepalese side, separate from Japan's grant aid, is estimated at about NRs 9.3 million, which includes compensation of using private lands, relocation of water supply facilities, landslides monitoring, environmental monitoring including initial environmental examination, etc.

6 Project Evaluation

6.1 Quantitative Effect

Running distance of traffic from Kathmandu to Bardibas in Terai Plain will be reduced about 140 km after the entire Sindhuli Road is constructed. And, roundtrip between Kathmandu-Central Terai Area that requires eight hours of travel time can eventually be done in just five hours.

In addition, project evaluation is carried out through the benefit-cost ratio (B/C), economic net present value (ENPV) and economic internal rate of return (EIRR) analysis, all of which are generally employed in the evaluation of public works. Their indexes are evaluated as shown in the table below. In Sta. 17+600, B/C is 3.18 and in Sta.18+200, B/C is 6.01. It is clear that this project has a high investment effect. A prompt countermeasure implementation generates higher investment effect.

Table: Examination of Cost Benefits

Site	BCR	ENPV (NRs)	EIRR
Sta. 17+600	3.18	677,531,956	35%
Sta. 18+200	6.01	2,296,729,117	60%

Source: JICA Study Team

6.2 Qualitative Effect

By the implementation of this project, as the damages induced by road closure to capital could be avoided, life of 2.51 million citizens of Kathmandu will become stable as well as the physical stability of road user and life of peripheral people will be stepped up.

And, by the opening of all-weather road in the area that has been less developed due to the commerce, fabrication and housing industries will be developed steadily and investment effects improved will contribute to regional development and poverty reduction to 1.54 million citizens living along the road.

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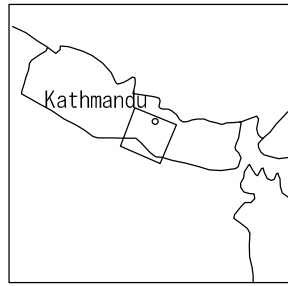
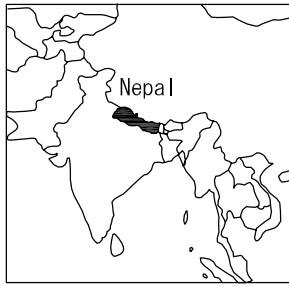
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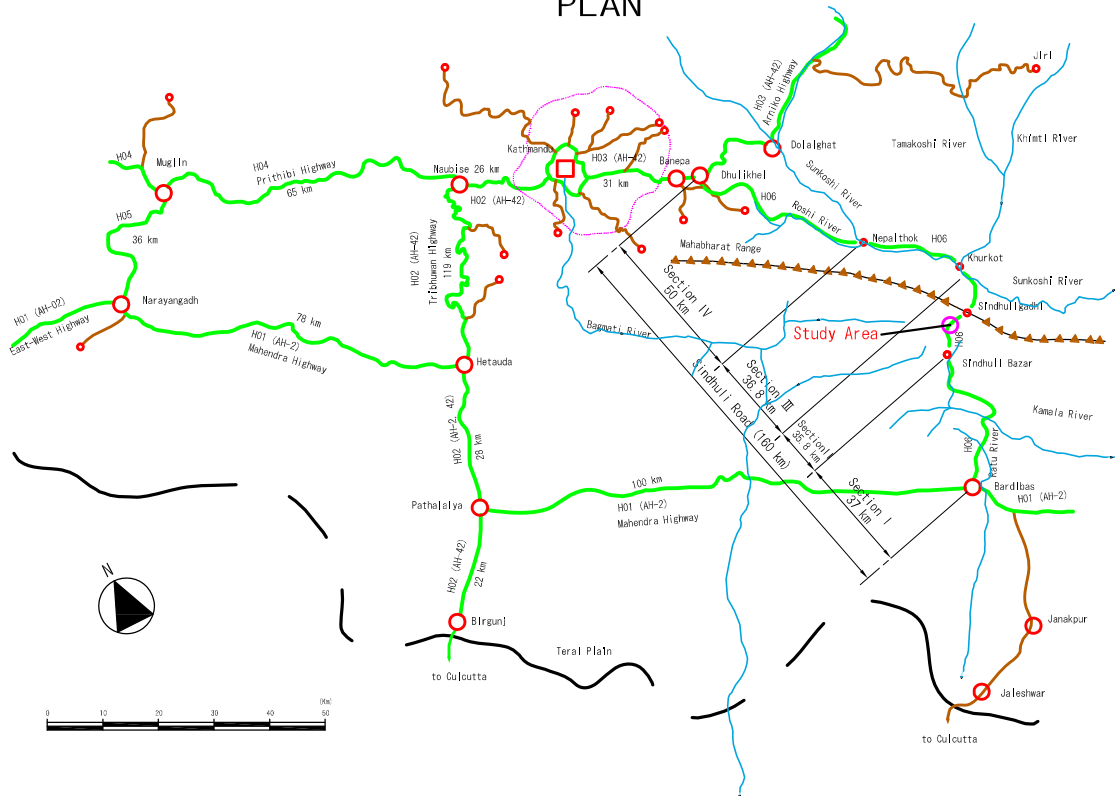
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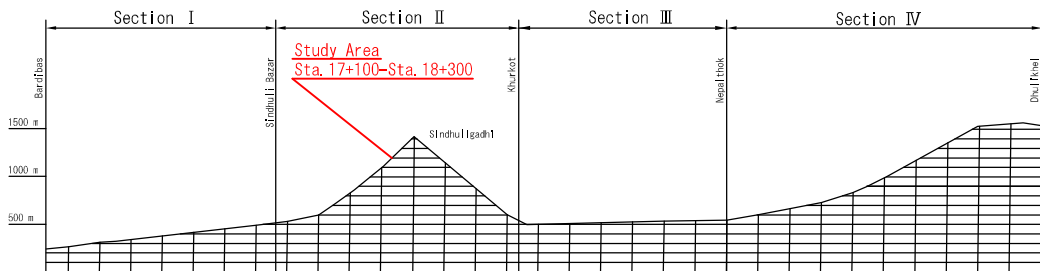
KEY PLAN

LEGEND	
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	National Highway
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	Asian Highway
	Rural Road
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	Kathmandu Valley
	Range

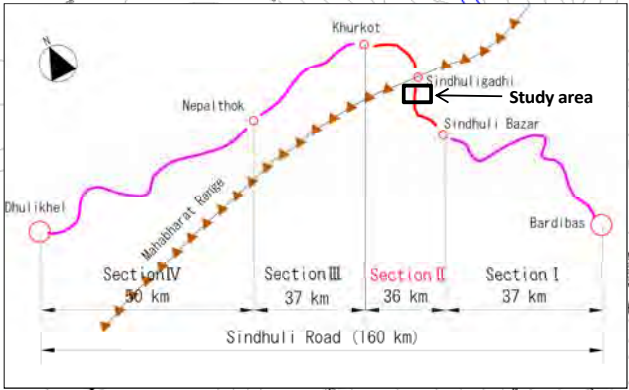
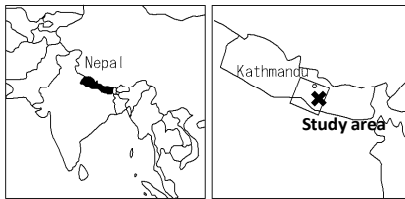
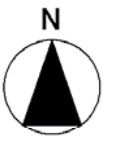
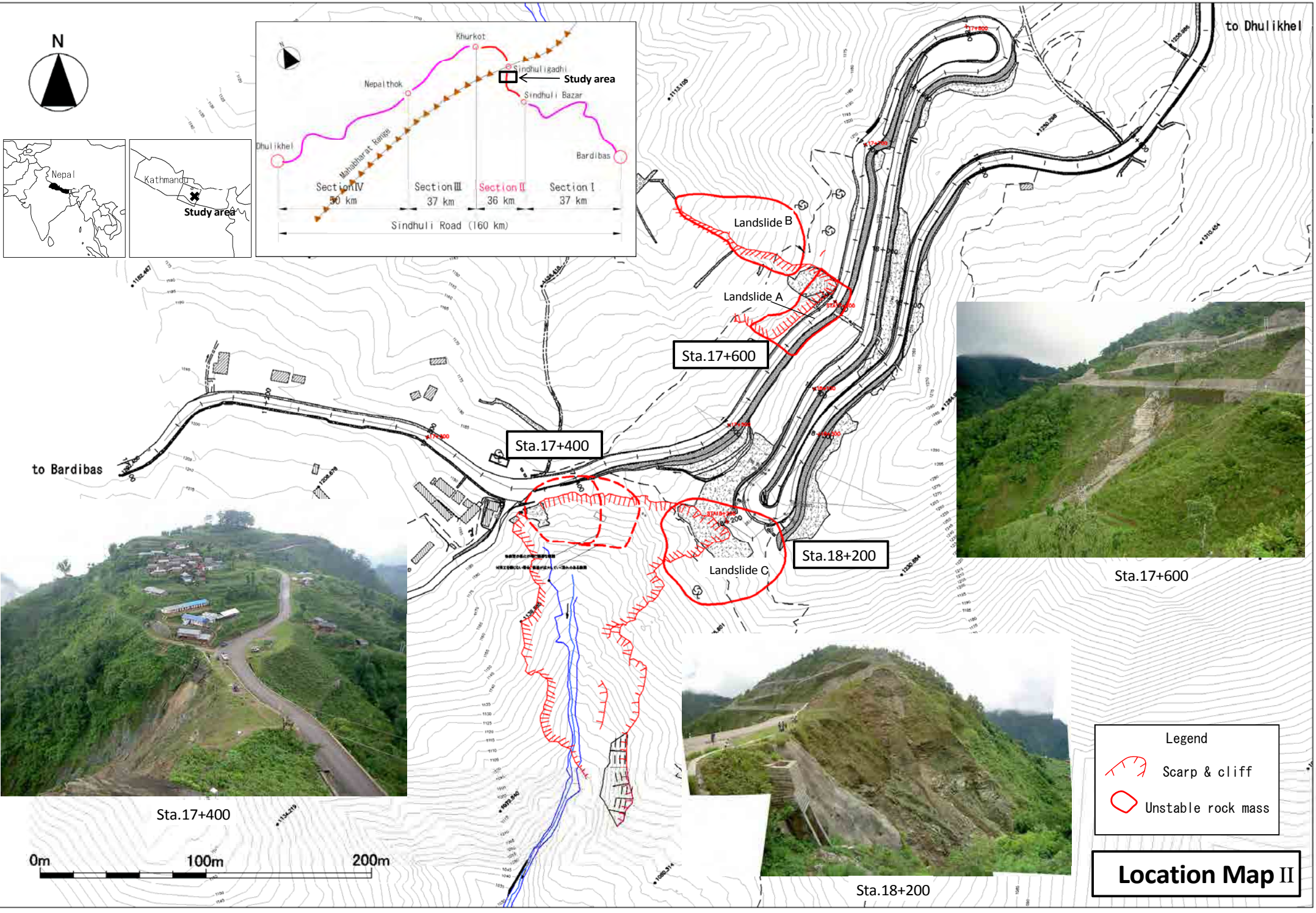
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PROFILE



LOCATION MAP I



to Dhulikhel

to Bardibas

Sta.17+400

Sta.17+600

Sta.18+200

Landslide B

Landslide A

Landslide C



Sta.17+600



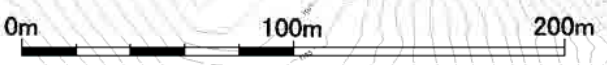
Sta.17+400



Sta.18+200

Legend

- Scarp & cliff
- Unstable rock mass



Location Map II



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Abbreviation

AADT	Average Annual Daily Traffic
ADB	Asian Development Bank
ALp	Potential Annual Loss
A/P	Authorization to Pay
ARMP	Annual Road Maintenance Plan
B/C	Benefit-Cost ratio
DBST	Double Bituminous Surface Treatment
DCC	District Coordination Committee
DDC	District Development Committee
DL	Detour Loss
DOR	Department of Roads
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIRR	Economic Internal Rate of Return
E/N	Exchange of Notes
ENPV	Economic Net Present Value
EMU	Environmental Management Unit
EPA	Environmental Protection Act
ERP	Environmental Protection Rules
FRCDp	Potential Frequency of Road Closure Disaster
G/A	Grant Agreement
GOJ	Government of Japan
GON	Government of Nepal
GESU	Geo-Environment and Social Unit
H01~H06	National Highway 01-06
IDF	Rainfall Intensity-Duration-Frequency Curves
IEE	Initial Environmental Examination
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
Lp	Potential Loss of a site
MBT	Main Boundary Thrust
MoE	Ministry of Environment
MoPPW	Ministry of Physical Planning & Works
NEXCO	Nippon Expressway Company
N/P	Notice to Proceed
NRs	Nepal Rupee
O&M	Operation and Maintenance
PAPs	Project Affected Persons
PFs	Proposed Factor of Safety
RCC	Road Coordination Committee
RCD	Road Closure Disaster
ROW	Right of Way
RTO	Road Transportation Organization
Rs	India Rupee
SPAP	Severely Project Affected People
STA.	Station
SRN	Strategic Road Network
TCC	Track Construction Committee
ToR	Terms of Reference
US\$	US Dollar
UVOC	Unit Vehicle Operation Cost
VDC	Village Development Committee
WB	World Bank

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The Banepa-Sindhuli-Bardibas Highway (or simply “Sindhuli Road”), with a total length of around 160 km, is currently under construction through grant assistance from the Government of Japan since November 1996. The construction will be completed in 2014. Once fully opened, this road will be an important alternative highway connecting the capital city of Kathmandu with the Eastern Terai plains. This will contribute to the development of the eastern region of Nepal.

Many sections of road traffic in Nepal are cut off due to heavy rains during the rainy season. The sections along Sindhuli Road are also situated on adverse topographic geological conditions. Therefore, road construction has been managed carefully to cope with sediment-related disasters. However, during and after construction, the road remains affected by sediment-related disasters in completed Sections I, II and VI. Most of the damaged sections have been appropriately rehabilitated. Nevertheless, as some sections have not yet been repaired, full traffic operations will not be sustained even after the full opening of the road.

In order to improve the current traffic situation and strengthen the road maintenance system of Sindhuli Road, the Government of Nepal (GON) has requested the Government of Japan (GOJ) for a grant aid technical assistance project. In August 2009, the Japan International Corporation Agency (JICA) implemented a brief study on the strengthening of the maintenance system for Sindhuli Road. During the study, the present condition of the completed Sections I, II, and IV of Sindhuli Road were inspected. Among the slope failures along the road, Sta. 17+400, Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 in Section II were found to be most serious where such failures could cause major impacts to road traffic in the future. Successively, JICA carried out Phase 1 of the “Preparatory Survey on the Project for Countermeasure Construction for Landslides on Sindhuli Road Section II” to identify the necessity and validity of the implementation of permanent countermeasures in 2010. As a result of the survey, it was found out that permanent countermeasures for the three sites were required to ensure traffic safety, and the corresponding basic design was planned. Among the three sites mentioned, it was judged that countermeasures for Sta. 17+400 can be implemented by applying Nepalese construction technology. As for Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200, advanced technologies should be introduced to maintain sustainable and safe road traffic conditions.

Considering the above situation, GOJ decided to conduct Phase 2 of the “Preparatory Survey on the Project for Countermeasure Construction for the Landslides on Sindhuli Road Section II”. GOJ dispatched the JICA Survey Team to Nepal from September 1 to 30, 2011 to design permanent countermeasures on the construction project to mitigate landslides at Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200.

1.2 OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT

1.2.1 PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY AND OVERALL GOAL

The general objective of the Survey on the Project for Countermeasure Construction for the Landslides on Sindhuli Road Section II (hereinafter referred to as “the Project”) is to prepare a plan for the construction of countermeasures against landslides occurring between Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 along Section II of Sindhuli Road. The following studies were carried out:

1. Verification on the technical effectiveness and economical validity of implementing the countermeasures.
2. Design of reasonable permanent countermeasures to prevent disaster occurrences which will

affect sustainable and safe traffic at target sites.

3. Planning of the countermeasure construction project introducing advanced construction technology considering the socio-environmental aspects, technical capacity of the construction industry in Nepal, and the implementation capability of the Nepalese government.
4. Estimation of project costs.
5. Preliminary environmental and social consideration studies on project implementation.
6. Recommendations on key considerations on project implementation and road maintenance.
7. Proposal of the undertaking of the Nepalese government in the Project

The overall goal of the survey is to secure sustainable and safe traffic along Sindhuli Road through the construction of countermeasures which is formulated in the preparatory study.

1.2.2 OUTLINE OF PROPOSED COUNTERMEASURES FOR LANDSLIDES

The results of risk evaluation on slope disasters occurring at Sta. 17+400, Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 indicate that road traffic would be damaged seriously if these sections were left unprotected with adequate preventive countermeasures. As mentioned above, among these three sites, it has been found that current Nepalese construction methods are sufficient to mitigate landslides occurring at Sta. 17+400. Preventive works for the said site is already being implemented by the Department of Roads (DOR).

On the other hand, advanced construction methods are required to stabilize the landslides at Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 considering steep slope and failure mechanisms. The outline of the proposed countermeasures for the said two sites is as shown in Table 1.2.1.

Table 1.2.1 General Outline of Countermeasures

Section	Major Countermeasure	Purpose/Remarks
Sta. 17+600 (Landslide A and B)	a) Anchoring	Prevention work for rock block slide occurring between Sta. 17+555 and Sta. 17+605.
	b) Crib Work	Protection of fragile lower rock slope at Sta. 17+600.
	c) Embankment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Stabilization by counterweight filling (76,000 m³) for unstable block developing under Sta. 17+620. ● Fill material is provided by slope cut work at Sta. 18+200.
	d) Shotcrete	Protection from rockfalls from steep and fragile slopes along the site and prevention from surface water infiltration to lower slopes.
Sta. 18+200 (Landslide C)	a) Realignment of road to mountain side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shifting roads out of landslide-prone areas. ● 76,000 m³ slope cutting is necessary. ● Cut materials are utilized as fill at Sta. 17+600. ● Cut slope is protected with grass planting and crib works.
	b) Slope protection by high-strength net	Protection from landslides occurring on the slope.

Source: JICA Study Team

Considering topographical and geological conditions, failure mechanisms, and road alignment situations of each site, permanent countermeasures were planned and designed through the introduction of advanced technology, which can sufficiently protect the target sections for a long period. Detailed description on the design of countermeasures and plan of the Project are described in Chapter 2.

1.3 RESULT OF FIELD SURVEY

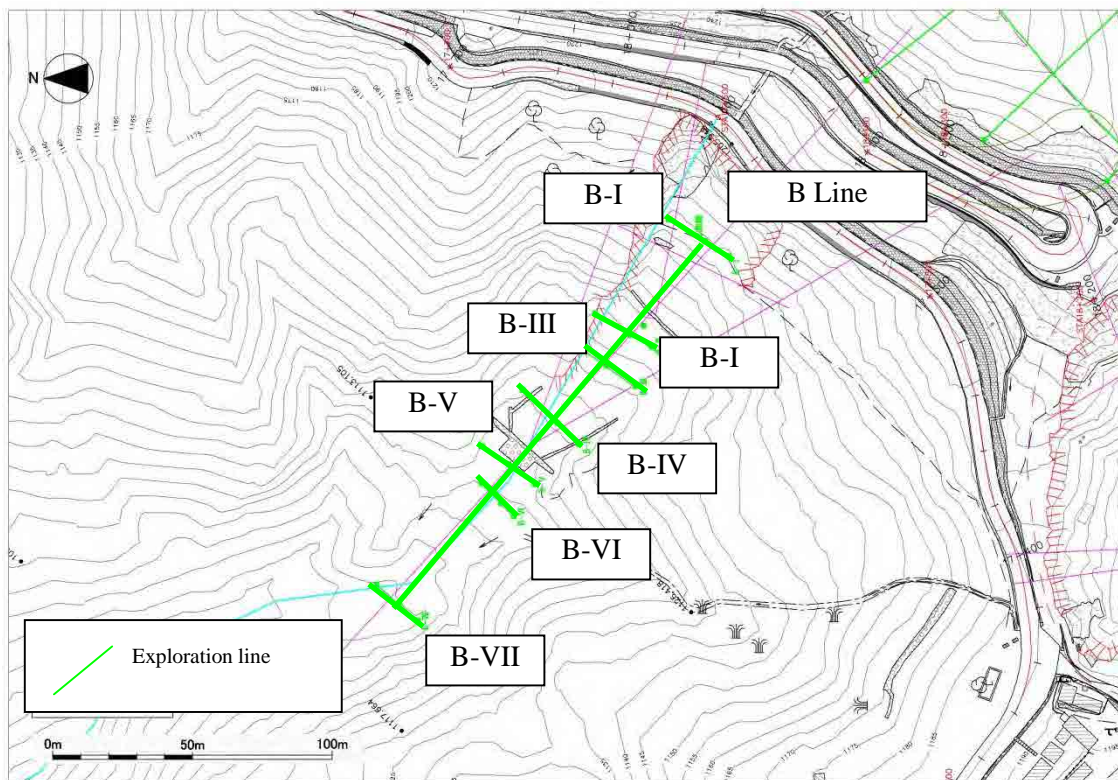
1.3.1 GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION

Geophysical exploration was conducted using surface wave exploration and seismic refraction method to figure out the soil layers in the lower slope of Sta. 17+600. Seismic exploration was conducted to judge the ripper ability at Sta. 18+200 where the cutting is planned.

1.3.1.1 GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION TO FIGURE OUT THE SOIL LAYERS AT STA. 17+600

(1) Exploration Line and Quantity

The exploration line that was conducted around the lower slope of Sta. 17+600 is as shown in Figure 1.3.1. The exploration was conducted in eight lines having a total length of 229 m.



Source: JICA Study Team

**Figure 1.3.1 Exploration Line at the B Area
(Surface Wave Exploration Refraction Method)**

At the lower slope of Sta. 17+600, talus deposits were formed caused by previous slope failure and are now deposited. To plan the embankment, it is necessary to figure out the geological condition of the slope. At first, surface wave exploration was initially conducted, although sufficient measurement data was not obtained. This is because big boulders in the slope disturbed the diffusion of the surface wave. Therefore, the seismic exploration by refraction method was conducted.

The two methods of measurement are attached at the end of this report.

(2) Exploration Result

The seismic exploration results of B and B-II lines are as shown in Figures 1.3.2 and 1.3.3, respectively, while the seismic exploration results of the other four lines and time-distance curve are attached at the end of this report. The seismic velocity layers that were detected at the B lines

consist of four layers as shown in Table 1.3.1.

Table 1.3.1 Seismic Velocity Layers at Sta. 17+600

Velocity Layer	Seismic Velocity (km/s)	Geologic Stratum on Seismic Velocity
I	0.3-0.5	Loose talus deposits of ground surface by recent slope failure.
II	0.9-1.1	Consolidated talus deposits composing of gravel, sand and clay.
III	1.9-2.1	Weathered psammitic schist: This is stable base rock.
IV	3.8-4.0	Fresh psammitic schist: This is stable base rock.

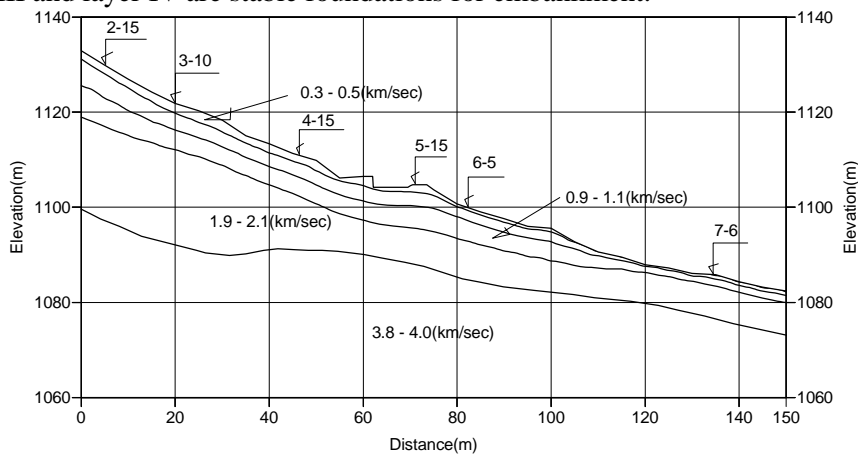
Source: JICA Study Team

The thickness of each velocity layer at the B-II line is as follows:

- ✓ Velocity layer I (0.3-0.5 km/s): The thickness is about 2 m at higher elevation area and less than 1 m at lower elevation.
- ✓ Velocity layer II (0.9-1.1 km/s): The thickness is about 2-4 m at higher elevation area and less than 2 m at the lower elevation.
- ✓ Velocity layer III (1.9-2.1 km/s): The thickness of the upper deposits is about 10 m at higher elevation area and less than 5 m at the bottom of B-II line.
- ✓ Velocity layer IV (3.8-4.0 km/s): The depth of velocity layer IV is about 30 m at higher elevation area, then it decreases downward with depth of about 10 m at the bottom of the B-II line.

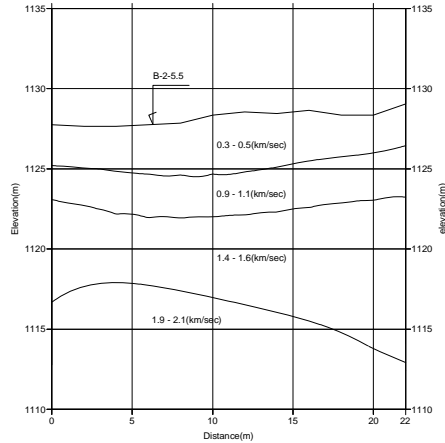
The conclusion below is taken from the exploration result.

- ✓ The loose surface layer with thickness of about 1-2 m needs to be treated carefully as the foundation of embankment.
- ✓ Layer III and layer IV are stable foundations for embankment.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.2 Seismic Exploration Result (B Line)



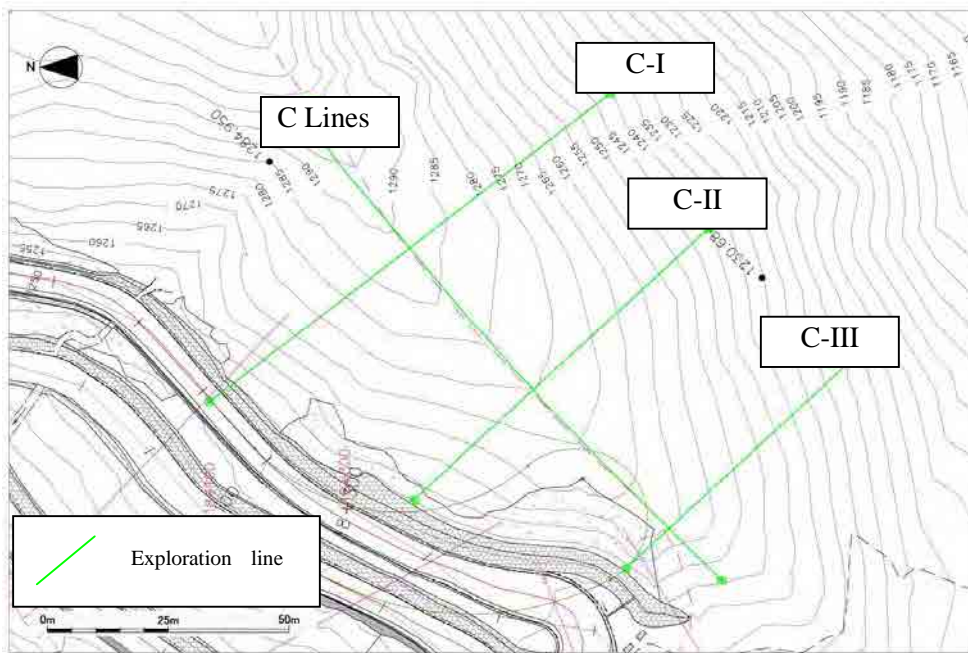
Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.3 Seismic Exploration Result (B-II Line)

1.3.1.2 SURVEY ON THE RIPPER ABILITY OF THE SLOPE AT STA. 18+200

(1) Survey Items and Location of Survey

At Sta. 18+200 where slope cutting is planned to realign the road, seismic exploration by refraction method and rock tests are prepared to judge the ripper ability of the slope. In this section, the seismic exploration results are described while the results of rock tests are described in the next section. The locations of the survey are shown in Figure 1.3.4. The survey was conducted in four lines, with total length of 373 m.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.4 Seismic Exploration Line at Sta. 18+200

(2) Seismic Exploration Result

Seismic exploration result of the C line is shown in Figure 1.3.5. Seismic exploration result of the other lines is attached at the end of this report. The seismic velocity layers that were detected at the B lines are four layers below.

Table 1.3.2 Seismic Velocity Layers at Sta. 18+200

Velocity Layer	Seismic Velocity (km/s)	Geologic Stratum on Seismic Velocity
I	0.3-0.5	Soils generated by weathering of schistose rocks
II	0.9-1.1	Strongly weathered schistose rocks, mostly weathered to soil
III	1.4-1.6	Strongly weathered schist, partly weathered to soil
IV	1.9-2.1	Slightly weathered schist. Weathered along schistosity and joints.

Source: JICA Study Team

The bedrock that composes this slope is mainly psammitic schist. The fresh part of this rock is sound that seismic wave velocity is determined at 4 km/s (this is the highest seismic velocity at Sta. 17+600). But 4 km/s seismic velocity was not detected in this slope because the slim ridge formed from successive erosion is weathered totally. It is supposed that the base layer is distributed under the level of the road.

The relation of each velocity layer detected in the site and excavation method is shown in Table 1.3.5, which is judged referring to Japanese manuals on excavation methods shown in Tables 1.3.3 and 1.3.4.

Table 1.3.3 Relation of Velocity Layer/Rock/Soil Type and Excavation Method

Seismic Velocity	Rock/Soil Type	Excavation Method
1st Layer (0.3-0.5 km/s)	Gravels	Wheel-type or track-type tractor (loosened) power shovel, bulldozer (fixed), manpower excavation
2nd Layer (0.9-1.1 km/s)	Soft Rocks	Bulldozer with ripper (21 t class)
3rd Layer (1.4-1.6 km/s)		Bulldozer with ripper (more than 21-32 t class)
4th Layer (1.9-2.1 km/s)		Bulldozer with ripper (32-43 t class), dynamite

Source: JICA Study Team

The 1st layer (gravels) could be excavated by power shovel and bulldozer without ripper. But to excavate soft rocks from 2nd to 4th layer, it is necessary to use power shovel and bulldozer with ripper. It is estimated that hard rocks that include soft rocks and part of soft rocks in the 4th layer require the use of dynamite and static fracture dynamite for excavation.

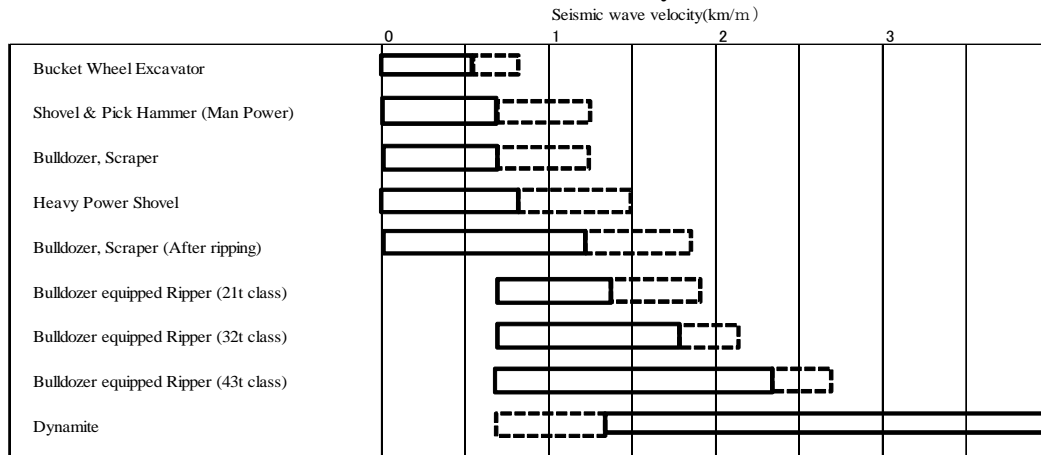
Table 1.3.4 Classification of Rocks and Soils for Earthworks

Name	Clarification	Applicability	Soil Classification
Rock or Stone	Hard Rock	Rock with no crack or few hair cracks	Seismic velocity 3,000 m/s or more
	Semi-hard Rock	Slightly weathered rock, Crack interval about 30-50 cm	Seismic velocity 2,000-4,000 m/s
	Soft Rock	Dense layers of quaternary, weathered rocks older than tertiary, can be excavated by ripper.	Seismic velocity 700-2,800 m/s
	Boulder Stone Group	Dense deposit of boulders, difficult to excavate	
	Mass of Rock Cobblestone	Mixture of mass rocks and cobblestones, very difficult to excavate	Soil with cobblestone, mass of rock, crushed stone, riverbed stone
Soil	Gravel	Digging ability is getting lower due to mixture of gravel	Sand with much gravel, Sandy soil with much gravel, cohesive soil with much gravel
	Sand	Difficult to dig by heaped capacity (full bucket)	Desert hill sand, decomposed granite soil
	Sandy Soil	Digging is easy, digging by heaped capacity	Sandy soil, decomposed granite soil, well-graded sand, good condition

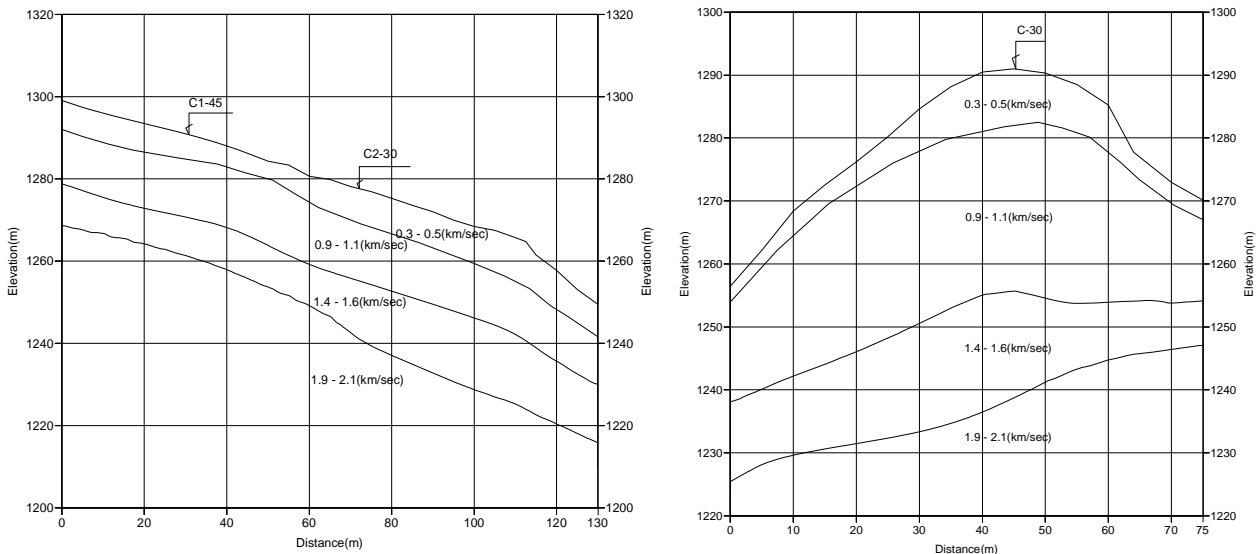
			loam	
Cohesive Soil	Soil adheres to bucket easily, issues on trafficability	Fine-grained soil Loam	{M} {C}	
Wet Cohesive Soil	Soil adheres to bucket easily and difficult in terms of trafficability	Bad condition loam, Bad condition fine-grained soil Volcanic cohesive Soil	{M} {C} {V} {O}	
Organic Soil			{Pt}	

Source: The Manual for Road Construction (Japan Road Association)

Table 1.3.5 Relation of Seismic Wave Velocity and Excavation Method



Source: The Manual for Road Construction (Japan Road Association)



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.5 Seismic Exploration Result (C Line) at Sta. 18+200

1.3.2 RESULT OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

1.3.2.1 METHOD OF GEOTECHNICAL SOIL TEST

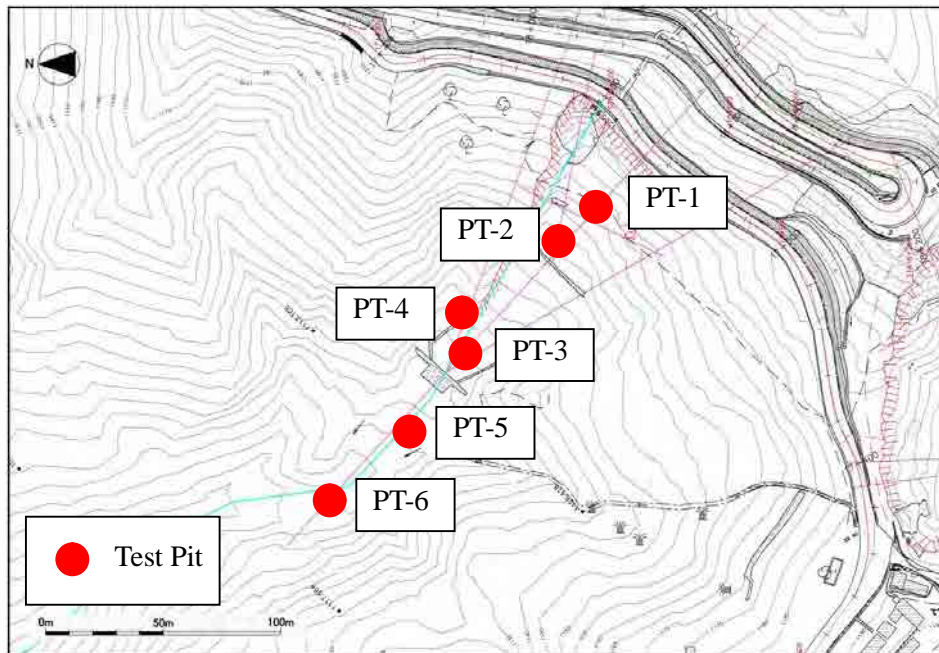
Test pit digging, soil sampling, and field and laboratory soil tests were carried out at Sta. 17+600 slopes for planning the counterweight embankment and at three alternative borrow pits where riverbed materials are deposited. These locations are shown in Figure 1.3.6 and Figure 1.3.7. The investigation contents are shown in Table 1.3.6.

Result of these tests are described in Clauses (1) Condition Of Foundation Embankment, (2) Characteristics of Embankment Material, and (3) Borrow pits comparison.

Table 1.3.6 Soil Investigation List

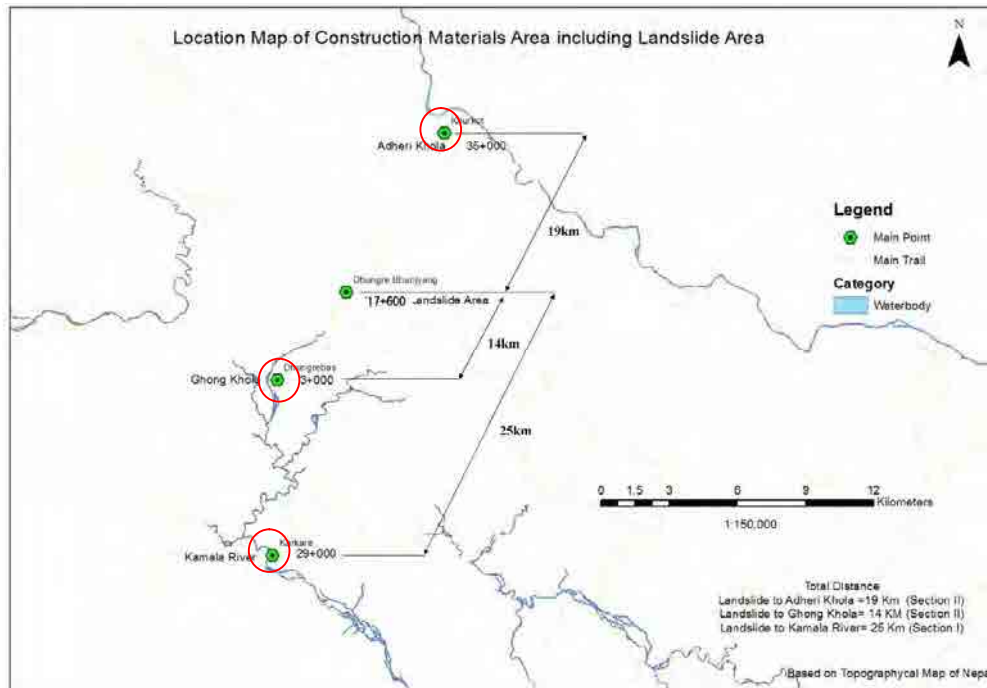
Item	Unit	Quantity		
		Counterweight bank area	Three borrow pits of riverbed materials	Sum
1. Test Pit				
Pitting (Digging)	pit	6	9	15
Pit Observation	pit	6	9	15
Field Density Test	place	6	9	15
Field Sieve Test	sample	6	9	15
Sampling	sample	6	9	15
2. Soil Test				
Specific Gravity Test	sample	6	9	15
Specific Gravity & Water Absorption Tests	sample	18	9	27
Water Content Test	sample	6	9	15
Grain Size Analysis	sample	6	9	25
Minimum and Maximum Index Density Tests	sample	6	9	15
4. Rock Test				
Specific Gravity & Water Absorption Tests of Rock	sample	4	-	4
Ultrasonic Wave Velocity Test of Rock	sample	4	-	4
Point Load Strength Test	sample	4	-	4

Source: JICA Study Team



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.6 Sta.17+600 Location of Investigation



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.7 Location of Investigation for Riverbed Material

(1) Conditions of Foundation of Embankment

Observation of the layer until 2 m depth and ground density test at 1 m depth were conducted to figure out the conditions of foundation of embankment. The composition of the layers and soil characteristics that were found out are listed below.

1) Layer Composition

- The slope surface of Sta. 17+600 is covered by cobbles with particle size of 75-300 mm and boulders with particle size greater than 300 mm. The thickness of this surface layer is 0.1-0.3 m.
- Under this layer, the sandy gravel layer with cobbles has diameter of 4.75-150 mm, and is evenly distributed. The voids of the gravel layer are filled with sand and silt.
- The gravel layer has 0.3-0.5 km/s seismic velocity. The thickness of this layer is 1 m at the bottom of the slope and 5 m at the upper slope.
- Under the gravel layer, consolidated talus or soft rock, weathered rocks, fresh rock deposits, which correspond to seismic velocities of 0.9-1.1 km/s, 1.9-1.2 km/s, and 3.8-4.0 km/s, respectively, are distributed.

2) Soil Characteristics

- Soil of the gravel layer is distributed 1-5 m from the surface and is composed of loose gravel or sand with gravel that has wet density of 19-20 kN/m³ and relative density of 33-77% (average is 50%). This characteristic corresponds to “natural ground – sand with gravel – not stiff” as shown in Table 1.3.8. According to this survey result, 20 kN/m³ is adopted for the design wet density, 35° is adopted for the design of internal friction angle and soil is assumed to be cohesionless.

- It is assumed that the 2nd layer consists of tight deposits and soft rocks. It has 0.9-1.1 km/s of seismic velocity and is in the boundary of ripper excavation and bearing ground. The layer is equivalent to “natural ground - gravel - stiff or well-graded” in Table 1.3.8. For this reason, 21 kN/m³ is adopted for its design wet density, 40° is adopted for the design of internal friction angle and soil is assumed to be cohesionless.
- It was concluded that seismic 3rd and 4th layers are bearing ground that requires ripper excavation or dynamite excavation.

Table 1.3.7 Soil Constants of Foundation Ground

Classification of Layers		Density Test Result			Soil Constants		
					Weight	Shear	Strength
Velocity Layer	Layer	Wet Density γ (kN/m ³)	Void Ratio e_b	Relative Density D_r (%)	Wet Density γ (kN/m ³)	Cohesion C (kN/m ²)	Internal Friction Angle ϕ (°)
1st Layer 0.4-0.5 km/s	Gravelly Soil	19-21	0.3-0.4	33-71	20	0	35
2nd Layer 0.8-1.0 km/s	Talus or Soft Rock	-	-	-	21	0	40
3rd Layer 1.8-2.0 km/s	Soft Rock	Supporting Stratum					
4th Layer 3.7-3.9 km/s	Hard Rock						

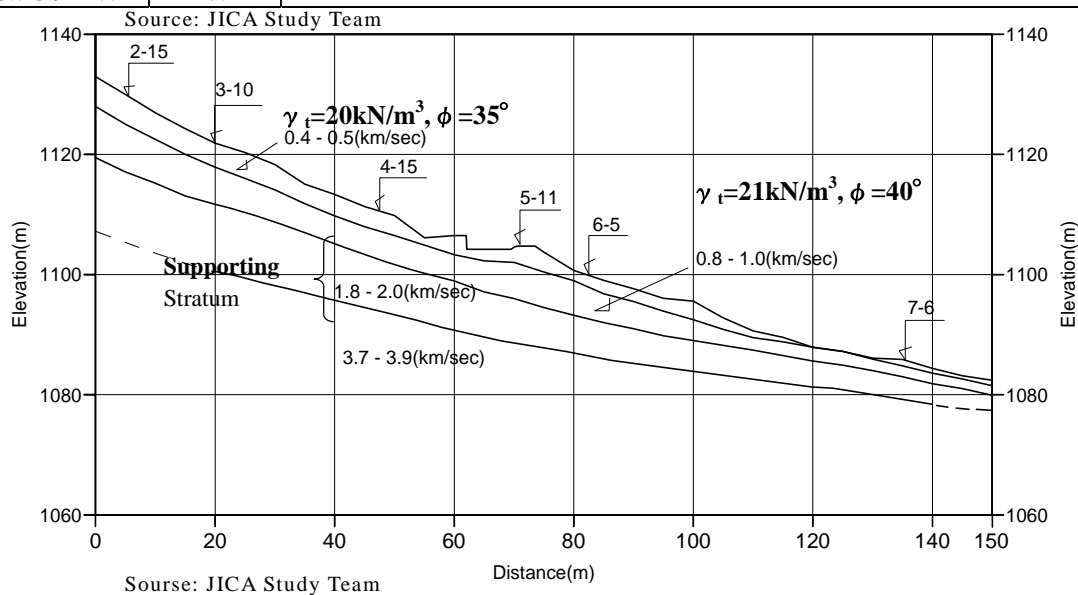


Figure 1.3.8 Soil Constants of Each Foundation Ground

Table 1.3.8 Reference Soil Constants for Design

Kind		Condition	Unit Weight (kN/m ³)	Internal Friction Angle ϕ (°)	Cohesion C (kN/m ²)	Soil Classification	
Embankment	Gravel or Sand with gravel	Compacted	20	40	0	{G}	
	Sand	Compacted	Well-graded	20	35	0	{S}
			Poorly-graded	19	30	0	
	Sandy soil	Compacted		19	25	30 or less	{SF}
	Cohesion Soil			18	15	50 or less	{M}, {C}
Kanto loam			14	20	10 or less	{V}	
Natural Ground	Gravel	Stiff or Well-graded	20	40	0	{G}	
		Not Stiff or Poorly-graded	18	35	0	{G}	
	Sand with gravel	Stiff	21	40	0	{G}	
		Not Stiff	19	35	0	{G}	

Sand	Stiff or Well-graded	20	35	0	{S}
	Not Stiff or Poorly-graded	18	30	0	
Sandy soil	Stiff	19	30	30 or less	{SF}
	Not Stiff	17	25	0	
Cohesion soil	Stiff	18	25	50 or less	{M}, {C}
	Softish	17	20	30 or less	
	Soft	16	15	15 or less	
Clay or silt	Stiff	17	20	50 or less	{M}, {C}
	Softish	16	15	30 or less	
	Soft	14	10	15 or less	
Kanto loam		14	5	30 or less	{V}

Source: Manual for Embankment (Japan Road Association)

(2) Characteristics of Embankment Material

Earth excavated at Sta. 18+200 would be used as embankment material. It is assumed that the characteristic of embankment material can be evaluated by soil test of talus deposit at Sta. 16+600 which has similar characteristic of the excavated materials at Sta. 18+200.

The mixed gravel is quartz schist that has water absorption of less than 2%. It is weathering-protected and has strong shear strength.

1) Granularity Characteristic

The soil is composed mainly of sand and gravel with grain diameter less than 300 mm which contains boulders with 500 mm maximum diameter.

The uniformity coefficient (Uc) indicates that the material has a wide range grain size distribution and that it is good to compact as seen in the graph below. The materials are judged to have high permeability with fine content (silt and clay) rate of less than 7% (Table 1.3.9).

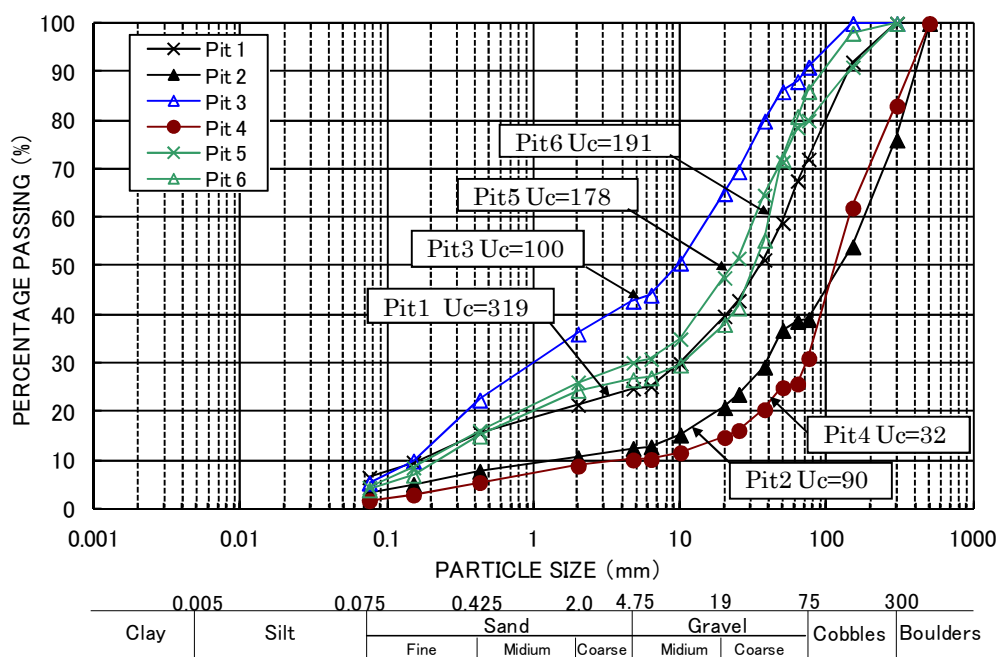
[Quality evaluation of particle size distribution]

$Uc \geq 10$: Well-graded, $Uc < 10$: Poorly-graded

Where, Uc : Uniformity Coefficient $Uc = D_{60}/D_{10}$

D_{60} , D_{10} : are the particle diameters corresponding to 60% and 10% finer on the cumulative particle-size distribution curve, respectively.

Source: Japanese Geotechnical Society standard "Method of Classification of Geomaterials for Engineering Purpose"



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.9 Grain Size Frequency Curve

Table 1.3.9 Fine Contents and Permeability

Material	Fine content (Fc)
Material with relatively high permeability	$F_c \leq 3$
Material with relatively low permeability	$3 < F_c \leq 15$
Material with low permeability	$15 < F_c \leq 25$

Source: Japanese Geotechnical Society Standard

2) Specific Gravity and Water Absorption

Specific gravity of the grain is 2.59-2.62 g/cm³ and its water absorption is 0.9-1.2%. Also, the composed particle has low porosity and hard. Hence, the materials are suited for embankment from viewpoints of durability and shear strength.

3) Compaction Characteristic

Because the material has the above characteristics and its grain size distribution has wide range, it is assumed that the density after the compaction is 90-95% of the maximum dry density and wet density is 2.0-2.2 t/m³.

4) Shear Strength

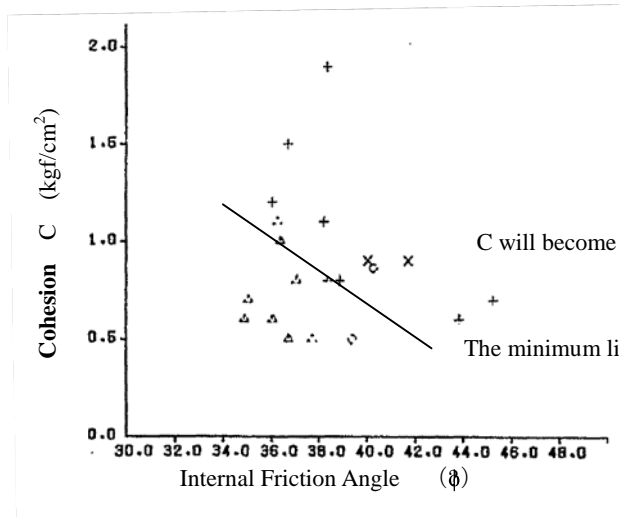
Shear strength of the embankment materials that contain much gravel has 40° internal friction angle and has no cohesion (refer to Table 1.3.10). Also, the shear strength has the correlation with void ratio and water absorption as shown in Figure 2.2.31. From the results of the tri-axial compression test, the shear strength of the material that has 90-95% void ratio to maximum dry density consists of an internal friction angle of 38° and cohesion of 0 kN/m². Thus, 38° is adopted for the internal friction angle and material is said to be cohesionless for the design value to be on the safe side.

Table 1.3.10 Test Result and Density After Compaction

		Test Result				Density after compaction (Calculated value as 90% and 95% of Maximum Density)				
		Specific Gravity G _b (g/cm ³)	Water Absorption Q (%)	Minimum Dry Density (t/m ³)	Maximum Dry Density (t/m ³)	Degree of compaction	Wet Density ρ _t (t/m ³)	Dry Density ρ _d (t/m ³)	Void Ratio e _b	Relative density D _r (%)
1-6	2.56-2.62	0.7-1.1	1.74-1.83	2.19-2.27	90%	2.06-2.19	1.97-2.05	0.28-0.32	52-65	
					95%	2.17-2.29	2.08-2.16	0.22-0.25	77-83	

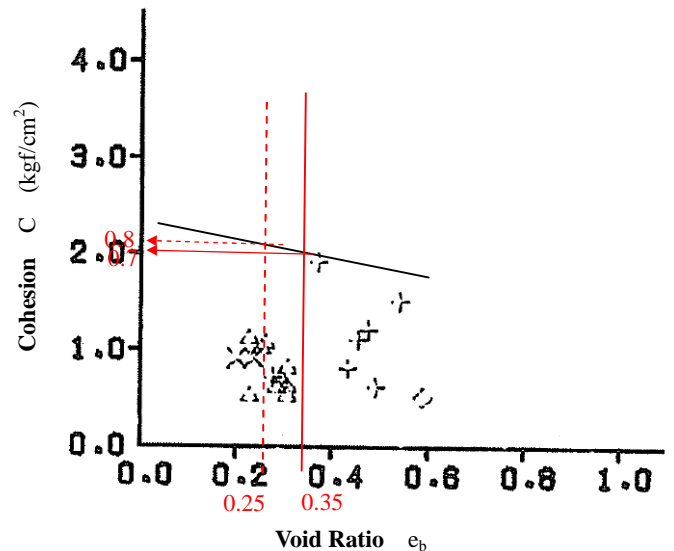
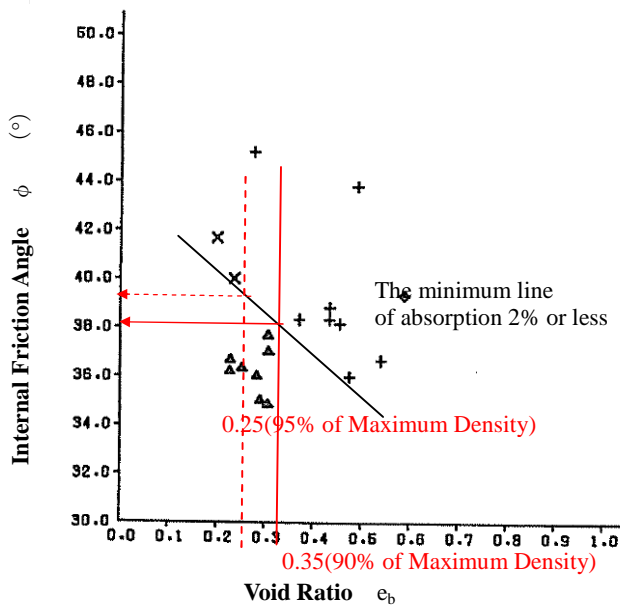
Remarks: Minimum dry, maximum dry and construction density are based on the soil test without Pit 2, 3 that are accounted with more than 30% of rock having diameter of more than 75 mm.

Source: JICA Study Team



Water Absorption

- 0.49 or less
- + 0.5~0.99
- × 1.0~1.99
- △ 2.0~3.99
- ⊗ 4.0 or more
- ◇ No Data



(3) Borrow Pits Comparison

The selection of the borrow site was conducted by comparing the quality of materials, location condition, environmental condition and cost of three sites, namely: Adheri Khola, Ghong Khola and Kamala River (refer to Figure 1.3.7).

Comparison results are shown in Table 1.3.11. Among the three choices, Kamala River was selected because the site is a public land that has superiority in terms of cost, quantity and environment conditions such as riverbed lowering, which is best for borrow pits.

Table 1.3.11 Borrow Pits Comparison

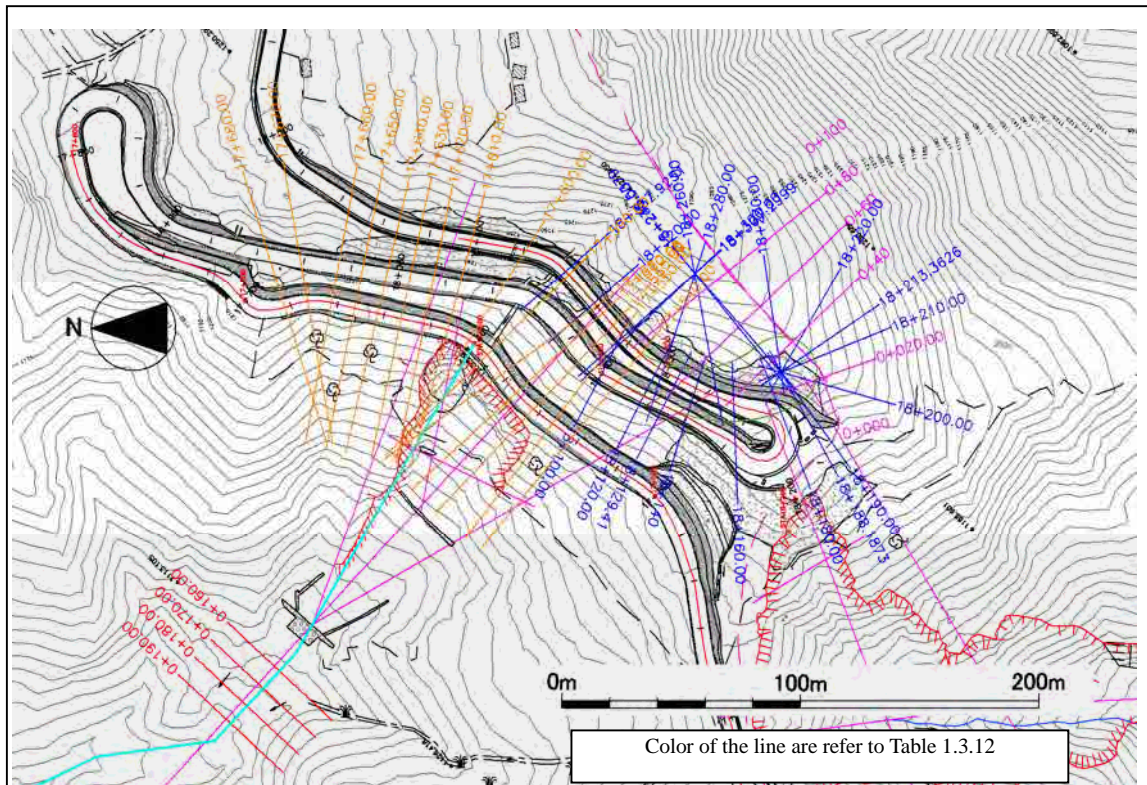
Borrow Pit Name/ Comparison Item		I Adheri Khola	II Ghong Khola	III Kamala River	Notes (basis, etc.)
Conditions of Location Road	Distance from Embankment Area	19 km	14 km	25 km	The distance from Sta. 17+600 is computed by road distance post
	Landowners	Private Land 1 point	Public Land Private land if not enough 2 points	Public Land 3 points	By field inspection
	Approach Road	Existing road	Existing road	Existing road	
	Influence on Farm Facility	There is uncultivated land.	nothing	nothing	

Influence on Riverbed Lowering		Since the riverbed (public land) is lower than the surrounding land by not less than 2 m, excavation is difficult. 1 point	Since the riverbed (public land) is narrow (about 20 m wide) and sandbank is not large and thin, the digging of large area is necessary to avoid riverbed lowering 2 points	Since sandbank accumulates large area and is thick, the influence on riverbed lowering is low. 3 points	
	Others	Being collected from private land by Hazama	Being collected from public land by local company	Being collected from public land by public works, etc.	
Quality of Riverbed Material		Sand and gravel contain cobbles (particle size of 75~300 mm) and boulders (particle size of 300 mm or more) 2 points	Sand and gravel contain cobbles 3 points	Sand and gravel contain cobbles 3 points	By soil investigation
Quantity		Medium 2 points	Small 1 point	Large 3 points	By field inspection
Cost	Material Cost (DOR)	Several times more than NRs 167 1 point	Several times more than NRs 167 1 point	About NRs 167 3 points	
	Transport Cost (JAPAN)	Middle 2 points	Short 3 points	Long 1 point	
	Sum	A little high	Low	Low	
Comprehensive Evaluation		9 Points	12 points	16 points	

Source: JICA Study Team

1.3.3 SURVEY

The longitudinal section survey and cross section survey are conducted. Location of the survey is as shown in Figure 1.3.11. The purpose and quantity of the survey are as shown in Table 1.3.12. Electronic output of the survey is stored in the electronic output of this report.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 1.3.11 Location of the Survey

Table 1.3.12 Purpose of the Survey and Implementation Quantity

Location	Purpose	Quantity
Around Sta. 17+600 Color: Orange	Outline design for landslide A	Longitudinal section: 200 m Cross section: 15*120 m ΣL=1,800 m
Sta. 17+600 Lower Color: Red	Outline design for landslide B	Longitudinal section: 40m Cross section: 4*60 m ΣL=160 m
Sta. 18+200 Mountain side Color: Blue	Outline design for road realignment	Longitudinal section: 170m Cross section: 19*60 m ΣL=1,340 m
Sta. 18+200 Mountain side Color: Pink	Outline design for cutting area	Longitudinal section: 140 m Cross section: 5*100 m ΣL=500 m

Source: JICA Study Team

1.4 PRELIMINARY PLAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL CONSIDERATIONS AND MONITORING

The Project involves rehabilitation works for target sections which are affected by landslides. Countermeasures for landslide-prone areas will be made after completion. And, there will be no Project Affected Persons (PAPs) who is needed to remove due to implementation of the project. Hence, the Project will contribute to the improvement of the natural condition of the Project area. However, some natural and social problems will come up during the construction stage, and, therefore, adequate environmental considerations should be paid for implementing the Project along with JICA and DOR regulations.

Preliminary environmental and social studies carried in the study, which are shown in Appendix 5.1, are summarized below.

1.4.1 ENVIRONMENTAL CATEGORY OF THE PROJECT

The Project was determined to be under environmental Category B according to the JICA Guidelines for Environmental and Social Considerations (April 2010), on the basis of the following reasons:

- The Project is to construct countermeasures for landslides within Sindhuli Bazar – Khurkot Road (Section II), and the rehabilitation of national highways. Accordingly, no significant negative impacts are expected in the construction activities of the Project.
- The locations to be implemented for countermeasure construction involve two sites, with a total road section length of about 130 m. In addition, the proposed countermeasures are planned to be completed within two years.
- The proposed countermeasures against landslides are permanent works with high stability, such as anchors and reinforced earth walls.

Definition and Regulation of *Category B*:

Proposed projects are classified as Category B if their potential adverse impacts on the environment and society are less adverse than those of Category A projects. These impacts are generally site-specific; few if any are irreversible; and in most cases, normal mitigation measures can be designed more readily. The project proponent is in principle required to submit an initial environment examination (IEE) report for JICA environmental review.

1.4.2 ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND THEIR TASKS IN NEPAL

In Nepal, the Ministry of Environment (MoE) is in-charge of environmental control and management for the project requiring an environmental impact assessment (EIA) for all sector agencies. MoE is responsible for providing adequate environmental and social safeguards in the

design and implementation of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). In the case of EIA study, the approval of the terms of reference (ToR) for the EIA and the corresponding report lies with the MoE.

On the other hand, the concerned ministry has overall responsibility for environmental monitoring of the projects implemented. For projects requiring an initial environmental examination (IEE), the proponent will prepare the ToR for the IEE study and submit to the concerned ministry through the concerned department. the concerned ministry will be responsible for environmental monitoring and final approval of the ToR and IEE report.

Submission Body and Days until Approval of EIA/IEE report is below.

Table 1.4.1 Responsible Body for EIA/IEE Report on this Project

Category	Responsible Body	Submission to	Examination period
EIA	MoE	MoE	Within 60
IEE	MoPPW	MoPPW	Within 21

The proponent of the Project is DOR under the Ministry of Physical Planning and Works (MoPPW). Accordingly, the DOR has been preparing the ToR for the IEE study, which will be completed on May 2012. The IEE report will be submitted to MoPPW through the Geo-Environment and Social Unit (GESU), and MoPPW will be responsible for the approval of IEE reports for the Project.

1.4.3 PRELIMINARY STUDY ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT

The final environmental and social consideration plan will be decided along with the results of the IEE for the project as mentioned above. However, preliminary study on environmental and social impact was checked through the review of the EIA Report for Section II by DOR (1999) and site survey. Results of the study are listed as shown in Appendix II and as summarized in Table 1.4.2.

Table 1.4.2 Potential Environmental Adverse Impacts during Planning and Construction

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Description of Impact
Pollution			
1	Air pollution	B-	Dust and gas emissions are anticipated to occur during construction.
2	Water pollution	B-	Petroleum and hydraulic fluid spills from heavy equipment may occur and pollute water ways.
3	Spoils and waste	B-	Excavation material will be used as fill material and other wastes will be disposed off at a designated place.
4	Soil contamination	C-	Petroleum and hydraulic fluid spills and leaks from heavy equipment might cause soil contamination especially on farm lands.
5	Noise and vibration	B-	Noise and vibration are expected to occur due to the use of machines and equipment for construction activities.
6	Ground subsidence	D	No ground subsidence is expected at the project area.
7	Offensive odor	D	No offensive odor is expected at the project area.
8	Bottom sediment	D	No sedimentation is expected at the project area.
Natural Environment			
9	Topography and geology	B-	Small-scale topographical reformation or alteration will be required due to realignment and subsequent excavation.
10	Slope stability	A+	Landslides will be stabilized, and all excavated slopes will be protected with appropriate structures.
11	Soil erosion	C-	Excavation and embankment works might cause soil erosion.
12	Hydrological situation	D	No adverse hydrological effects are anticipated at the proposed construction site (material source from riverbed)
13	Groundwater	D	Adverse impacts will be minimized due to anchor installation.
14	Nature preserve	D	No natural preserves exist within the project area.
15	Ecosystem	D	No ecosystems exist within the project area.
Socioeconomic Environment			

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Description of Impact
16	Involuntary resettlement	D	No involuntary resettlements are expected.
17	Poor people	D	No poor people exist in the project area.
18	Ethnic minorities and indigenous people	D	Ethnic people exist in the project area but the adverse impacts to these groups are expected to be very small.
19	Local economy such as employment and livelihood	C-	Construction activity might create some temporary traffic blockage and affect economic activities.
20	Land use and utilization of local resources	B-	Private lands will be temporarily used for access roads, stockpiles, and staff houses.
21	Use and access to water	C-	Some natural springs in the project area serve as the major source of drinking water for the local people. No water rights exist in the project area.
22	Existing social infrastructure and services	C-	The removal of existing water supply pipes will be required. Temporary restriction and control of existing traffic are anticipated.
23	Maldistribution of benefit and damage	D	Adverse impacts would be very small.
24	Local conflict of interest	D	No local conflict of interest exists in the project area.
25	Cultural heritage	D	Bhadrakali temple at Sta. 17+00 is close to the project area, but the adverse impacts to the temple are expected to be very small.
26	Landscape	D	Adverse impacts may be small due to small-scale earthworks
27	Labor environment	C-	Defective management of safety and health for worker is expected during construction activities.
28	Sanitation	D	No sanitation exists in the project area.
29	Hazards (Risks)	C-	Rock falls are expected to occur around the upper slope.
Others			
30	Accidents	B-	Construction activity and temporary traffic blockage may cause traffic accidents.
31	Global warming	D	Adverse impacts would be small.
Overall Rating		B-	It is necessary for landowners to give compensation and recovery prior to construction. Moreover, mitigation measures against traffic safety, noise, dust and vibration should be provided.

Rating: A+/- = Significant positive/negative impact is expected, B+/- = Positive/negative impact is expected to some extent, C+/- = Extent of positive/negative impact is unknown or may be small at this stage, and D = No impact is expected

As a result, one item is categorized as A+, seven items as B-, seven items as C-, while the rest are categorized as D. Accordingly, the implementation of the Project is expected to contribute positive environmental effects and, to some extent, cause negative environmental impacts.

1.4.4 MITIGATION MEASURES

Mitigation measures, as listed in Table 1.4.3, were recommended and discussed.

Table 1.4.3 Mitigation Measures

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Conceivable Mitigation Measures
Pollution			
1	Air pollution	B-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Periodical watering around the implementation area will be carried out to prevent airborne dust.
2	Water pollution	B-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Provision by proper construction plan and management.
3	Spoils and waste	B-	<u>A. Plan and Design Stage:</u> a) Excavated material is planned to be reused as fill material. <u>B. Construction Stage:</u> a) The wastes will be disposed off at dedicated places.
4	Soil contamination	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Provision by suitable planning and management of project implementation.
5	Noise and vibration	B-	<u>A. Plan and Design Stage:</u> a) Machines and equipment of adequate capacity with low noise and vibration will be planned to be used for each activity. <u>B. Construction Stage:</u> a) Installation of soundproof wall; b) Limiting the operation time during holidays, such as local festivities.
Natural Environment			
6	Topography and geology	B-	<u>A. Plan and Design Stage:</u> a) Cut and fill slopes are planned and designed to minimize the changes in topography; b) Only approved

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Conceivable Mitigation Measures
			materials and sources will be used for embankment and as crushed aggregates.
7	Soil erosion	C-	<u>A. Plan and Design Stage:</u> a) Proper slope protection works are provided. <u>B. Construction Stage:</u> a) Limiting and controlling progress of earthworks during rains.
Socio-economic environment			
8	Local economy as such employment and livelihood	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) At the beginning of the project implementation, provide adequate information to bus companies and relevant local organizations; b) Provide adequate compensation for landowners; c) Give local residents preference to have join in the construction works.
9	Land use and utilization of local resources	B-	<u>A. Plan and Design Stage:</u> a) Prepare construction plan to limit the use of private lands. <u>B. Construction Stage:</u> a) Provide adequate compensation for landowners; b) Restore to the original status after construction.
10	Use and access to water	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Periodical check for the amount of water use, b) Proper compensation to local communities.
11	Existing social infrastructure and services	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Move affected water supply pipes at the beginning of project implementation.
12	Labor environment	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Provide proper construction plan and management to consider the health, safety, security of the workers for the implementation of the project.
13	Hazards (Risks)	C-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Periodical inspection of upper slopes; b) Use of safety helmets; c) Installation of rock fall protection nets, if necessary.
Others			
14	Accidents	B-	<u>A. Construction Stage:</u> a) Construction work signs and traffic controller will be provided accordingly; b) Consideration to a primary school located near the project site.

Rating: B- = Negative impact is expected to some extent, C- = Extent of negative impact is unknown or may be small at this stage.

1.4.5 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING (CONSTRUCTION PHASE)

Environmental monitoring will be implemented to provide a basis for logical comparison of the predicted and actual impacts due to the project implementation, to further identify any unpredicted impacts, and to implement necessary measures to minimize the environmental impacts of the Project.

Under DOR, GESU has integrated environmental aspects in road development and maintenance projects. GESU will be responsible for the implementation of the environmental monitoring of the Project. The monitoring plan is proposed as presented in Table 1.4.4.

Table 1.4.4 Monitoring Plan

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Monitoring			
			Parameter	Frequency	Method	Responsibility
Pollution						
1	Air pollution	B-	Dust, odors	Monthly	Observation	GESU
2	Water pollution	B-	pH, turbidity	Monthly	Measurement, Inspection	GESU
3	Spoils and waste	B-	Construction spoil, waste, etc.	Monthly	Drawings, Inspection	GESU/Project
4	Soil contamination	C-	Dust, hazardous materials, oils	Monthly	Inspection, Hearing	GESU
5	Noise and vibration	B-	Sound source	Monthly	Observation, Hearing	GESU/Project
Natural Environment						
6	Topography and geology	B-	Land alteration	Monthly	Drawings, Observation	GESU
7	Soil erosion	C-	Collapse, soil loss	Monthly	Drawings, Observation	GESU
Socio-economic environment						

No.	Potential Impact	Rating	Monitoring			
			Parameter	Frequency	Method	Responsibility
8	Local economy as such employment and livelihood	C-	Compensation, traffic blockage	Semi-annually	Hearing	GESU
9	Land use and utilization of local resources	B-	Land use area	Monthly	Drawings, Observation	GESU
10	Use and access to water	C-	Natural springs	Monthly	Hearing	GESU
11	Existing social infrastructure and services	C-	Shifting of water supply pipe	Monthly	Hearing, Inspection	GESU
12	Labor environment	C-	Holidays, insurance	Monthly	Hearing	GESU
13	Hazards (Risks)	C-	Rock fall, slope collapse	Monthly	Inspection	GESU/Project
Others						
14	Accidents	B-	Accidents by vehicle and due to construction	Monthly	Hearing, Inspection	GESU/Project

Rating: B- = Negative impact is expected to some extent, C- = Extent of negative impact is unknown or may be small at this stage.

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2.1 DESIGN POLICY

2.1.1 REQUESTED SECTION

Three landslide-prone areas from Sta. 17+550 to Sta. 18+300 of Section II are requested to be implemented with countermeasures through the Project.

2.1.2 DESIGN CONCEPT AND PLANNING POLICY FOR COUNTERMEASURES AGAINST LANDSLIDES

Risk evaluation of the slope disasters from Sta. 17+600 and Sta. 18+200 indicated that road traffic functions would be seriously affected if these were left uncontrolled or unprotected with adequate preventive measures. Countermeasure alternatives have been examined to maintain sustainable road traffic function with the following policies:

- A) Permanent countermeasures will be introduced to achieve long-term stability on the target road sections and slopes.
- B) Slope failure mechanism for landslides should be clarified, and the countermeasures adopted for slope failure mechanism should be planned accordingly.
- C) Countermeasures should be planned considering traffic safety because Sections I and II must be placed in service.
- D) The planned countermeasures will be implemented to improve the road slope hazards. However, the construction of these countermeasures may also have impacts on the natural and social environment especially during construction. Mitigation of these impacts should be considered in planning and selecting the countermeasures.
- E) Maintenance of the countermeasures after completion should be minimal.

2.1.3 PARTICIPATION IN ROAD MAINTENANCE OF NEPAL SIDE

Road maintenance in Nepal is conducted based on the Annual Road Maintenance Plan (ARMP). Road maintenance in Section II and Section IV have already been handed over to DOR. In the Project, Sindhuli Road will be used for material transport and aggregate transport. This road is prone to sediment disasters such as slope failures, large-scale landslides and scouring that could wash away the roads. If this road is closed for traffic, the schedule of the Project would be affected. The maintenance of Sindhuli Road should be conducted by DOR. The particular methods such as ground anchors are planned for the Project. If additional maintenance is necessary, the consultants should suggest maintenance methods.

2.1.4 POLICY ON NATURAL CONDITION

2.1.4.1 CLIMATE CONDITION

Climate data observed at Sindhuli Gadhi in Section II for the past 13 years was used for the study. In Sindhuli Gadhi, the highest average temperature is at 31.7°C in April while the lowest average is at 7.2°C in January, as shown in Figure 2.1.1. The Project site is in a continental climate, mainly warm with large temperature differences between day and night. As shown in Figure 2.1.2, the station at Sta. 17+400 in Section II has an average annual rainfall of 1,710 mm. The maximum average monthly rainfall is 462 mm in July, while the minimum monthly average is

0 mm in November and December. The recorded annual rainfall in 2007 was 2,814.5 mm. (Refer to Figure 2.1.3) The period between late May and early October falls under the monsoon season. Pavement works such as double bituminous surface treatment (DBST) and asphalt concrete pavement should not be performed during the monsoon season in consideration of quality control and construction safety, respectively. The normal rate of operations was adopted for other works as there would be no large influence of rainfall.

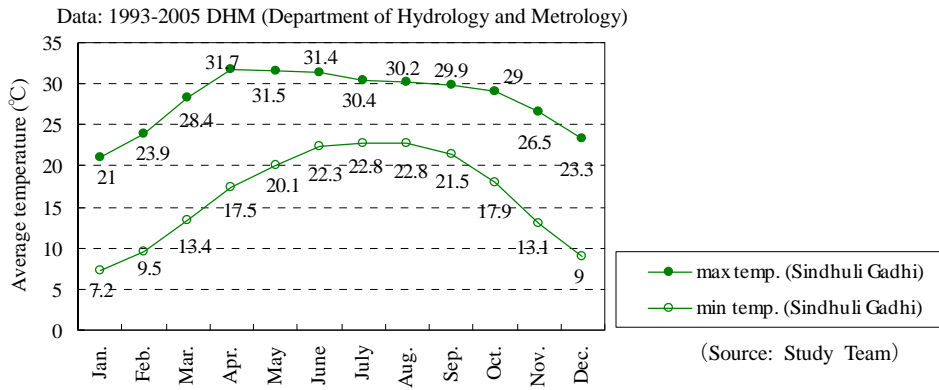


Figure 2.1.1 Average Temperature at the Sindhuli Gadhi

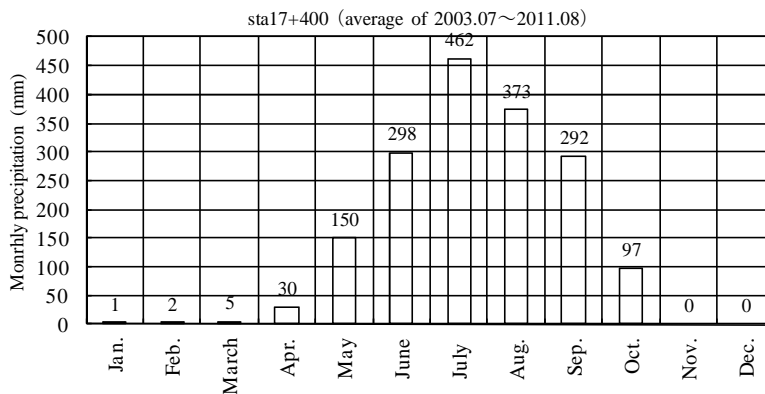


Figure 2.1.2 Average Monthly Rainfall (Station: Sta. 17+400)

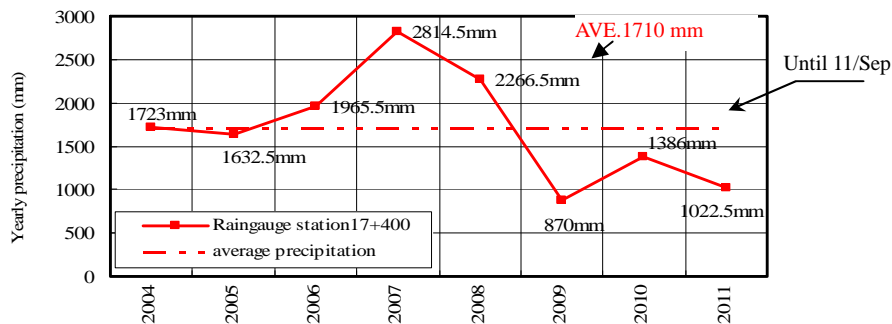


Figure 2.1.3 Annual Rainfall

(Source: Study Team)

2.1.4.2 BASIN

Design discharges for ditches and cross drainages were calculated according to the design policy for Section II. For the calculation of rainfall intensity, rainfall data observed at Sindhuli Gadhi Station was used.

2.1.4.3 TOPOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY

The site is at the northern section of the Main Boundary Thrust (MBT) that divides Nepal into the north and south. The ground of the site is constituted by slate and phyllite affected by the metamorphism of the Paleozoic layer. Strike inclinations vary throughout the site. Moreover, talus and colluvial deposits are widely distributed. In order to reduce the risks of slope disasters, slopes should have minimal and stable gradient. If the slope does not have a stable gradient, it should be protected by crib works and rock bolts.

2.1.4.4 FOREST AND TREES

Only few well-developed forests have trees of varying heights. There are also many slopes with little vegetation. From the viewpoint of conservation of natural environment, cut and embankment slopes should be minimized while artificial slopes for cut and fill works should be revegetated. In addition, tree cutting should be limited during the construction.

2.1.4.5 EARTHQUAKES

As the Project site was designated with the highest-risk seismic zone V according to the Indian Standard Criteria for Earthquake-Resistant Design of Structure, Third Revision, 1989, earthquakes were considered in the design of fill works.

2.1.4.6 CONSIDERATION OF NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Since the Project area is rich in natural environment, vegetation works should be adopted in areas where possible.

2.1.5 POLICY ON SOCIAL CONDITION

2.1.5.1 CONSIDERATION OF SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT

In selecting the countermeasures, impacts including loss of lands, vibration, noise, exhaust gas, dust, and traffic safety should be considered. If these impacts cannot be avoided, mitigation measures should be planned accordingly. There are many cultivated areas in the temporary road, so compensation for harvested products should be planned, and cultivated areas should be restored to their original state.

2.1.6 POLICY ON CONSTRUCTION AND PROCUREMENT

2.1.6.1 PROCUREMENT CONDITION OF LABORS

It is relatively easy to procure common labor services in the Project area. On the other hand, many skilled laborers and heavy equipment operators in Nepal are working in neighboring countries like India and the Middle East, where construction is rapidly progressing. Therefore, the number of skilled laborers for road construction has become limited in recent years.

It should be noted that labor wages as well as the prices of commodities in Nepal are rising.

2.1.6.2 PROCUREMENT CONDITION OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

Natural materials including sand, stone and timber, reinforcing bars and gabion wires are available in the local markets of Nepal. Materials and goods that are unavailable in local markets, such as ground anchors, high intensity nets and crib works would be procured from Japan.

2.1.6.3 LABOR LAWS AND CONSTRUCTION REGULATION

The “Rules and Regulations for Workers and Employees to the Private Institution and Factory in Nepal” of 1991 and 1993 should be followed for labor employment.

2.1.6.4 PROCUREMENT CONDITION OF GOODS FOR DAILY LIFE

Considering the safety of local residents and natural environment, the living quarters of migrant workers will be provided with potable water and liquefied petroleum gas for cooking.

2.1.7 POLICY ON APPLICATION OF LOCAL CONTRACTOR

2.1.7.1 APPLICATION OF LOCAL CONTRACTOR

Appropriate periods for negotiations between the main contractor and subcontractor should be considered in the preparation of the implementation schedule in this study.

2.1.7.2 USE OF ITEMS POSSIBLY PRODUCED AND FABRICATED IN NEPAL

Some small and medium-sized enterprises in Nepal can produce and fabricate items such as gabion wires and steel poles. Items other than these would be procured from other countries.

2.1.7.3 PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Construction machineries other than machineries available in Nepal would be procured from Japan.

2.1.8 POLICY ON IMPLEMENTATION AGENCY FOR MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

DOR, the executing agency of the Project, has experienced implementing Japanese grant-aid projects. The capacity of DOR on management and operation and maintenance (O&M) has been proven in past Sindhuli Road projects since 1986. However, particular construction methods such as installation of ground anchors would be planned for countermeasures, therefore, a well-coordinated O&M and secured budget are expected.

2.1.9 POLICY ON LEVELS OF SERVICE

2.1.9.1 DESIGN STANDARDS TO BE ADOPTED

For the design of countermeasures against landslides, Nepalese standards should be adopted. However, Nepalese standards for slope protection have not been consolidated yet, therefore, Japanese standards will be adopted in the Project. For consistency purposes, the standards adopted in Section II and Section IV would also be followed for road alignment and structures. Table 2.1.1 lists the standards that will be adopted for the Project.

Table 2.1.1 List of Adopted Standards

Site	Main Countermeasure	Adopted Standards
Sta. 17+600	a) Ground anchors	-Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association -Standard for Design and Construction of Anchor Works, Japanese Geotechnical Society
	b) Embankment	-Manual for Road Construction, Japan Road Association -Manual for Fill Works, Japan Road Association -Manual for Drainage Works, Japan Road Association
	c) Crib works	-Manual for Design and Construction of Crib works, Japan Slope Protection Association

	d) Shotcrete	-Standard Specification for Concrete Structures, Japan Society of Civil Engineers
Sta. 18+200	e) Realignment of road	-Japanese Roads Structure Ordinance, Japan Road Association -Road Earthwork Drainage Guidelines, Japan Road Association
	f) High-intensity net and Rock bolt	-Standard for Design and Construction of Reinforced Earth Method, Nippon Expressway Company

Source: Study Team

2.1.9.2 PROPOSED FACTOR OF SAFETY FOR LANDSLIDES

The proposed factor of safety (PFs) is the target value for enhancing the degree of safety of the slope and achieving the conservation of the slope through landslide countermeasure works. Considerations in determining the PFs include the landslide and its scale, and the degree of importance of the object to be protected.

Table 2.1.2 shows the different PFs for different objects to be protected from landslides. Sindhuli Road, which is the object to be conserved in the Project, is a significant road in Nepal. Therefore, the PFs that should be adopted is 1.2.

Table 2.1.2 Determination of Proposed Factor of Safety

Object to be Protected from Landslides		Proposed Factor of Safety
Significant road, rivers, and houses		1.2
Other than those above	Local and prefectural roads	1.15
	Municipal road	1.12
Emergency construction		1.05

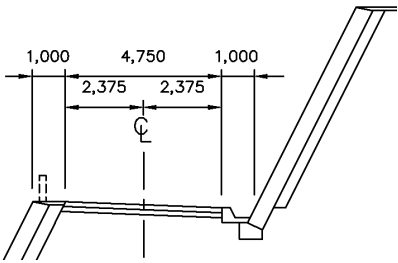
Source: Manual for Disaster

2.1.10 STANDARDS OF THE REALIGNMENT DESIGN

The design of the realignment road is based on design standards of Sindhuli Road to secure the traffic function for a series of the route.

As shown in Table 2.1.3 the design speed in this section is 20 km/h, which is the same as with Sindhuli Road Section II because the target section is a hairpin curve passing through steep mountainous areas. In addition, the road design is considered for road safety, with a road structure that is easy to repair.

Table 2.1.3 Standard of Road Design

Item	Standard of Design	Standard Width of Road Configuration
Design speed	20 km/h	
Standard width	4.75 m	
The design condition follows the standards of the Project for Sindhuli Road Section II.		

2.1.11 POLICY ON CONSTRUCTION METHODS AND CONSTRUCTION PERIOD

2.1.11.1 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD

Considering a construction period of 25 months, the Project would be implemented in three years through grant aid assistance.

2.1.12 POLICY ON SOCIO-ECONOMY

2.1.12.1 SECURING ROAD FUNCTION IN NATIONAL ROAD NETWORK

One of the objectives of the Sindhuli Road Construction Project, which constitutes the SRN as Highway No.6 (H06) and East-West Highway, is to achieve economic growth and industrial promotion through stimulating socioeconomic activities. The Project covers disaster prevention works in areas that are highly prone to sediment disaster. In order to secure traffic safety, permanent countermeasures will be introduced for long-term stability of the target road sections and slopes.

2.2 BASIC PLAN

2.2.1 SLOPE FAILURE MECHANISM

2.2.1.1 AREAS FOR COUNTERMEASURE WORKS

The areas allotted for countermeasure works are located at Landslides A, B and C as shown in Figure 2.2.1.

Countermeasure works at Sta. 17+400 will be made by DOR, because the speed of failure is slow and influence of traffic is not that heavy.

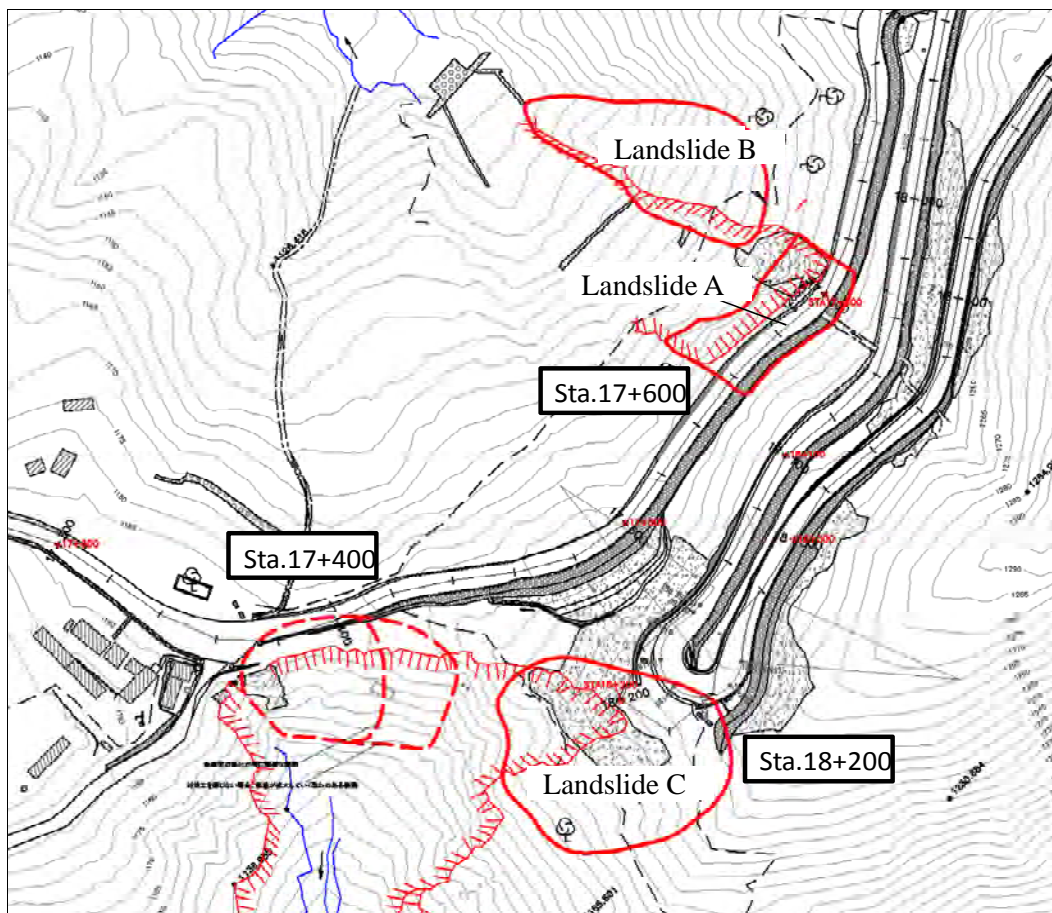


Figure 2.2.1 Areas for Countermeasure Works

The Study Team reviewed the slope failure mechanism, stability of slope by checking the monitoring data prepared by DOR.

2.2.1.2 CONDITION OF EACH LANDSLIDES

(1) Landslide B (Sta. 17+620)

1) Scale of Landslide A

The scale of Landslide A is much smaller compared to the area of collapse in July 2009, the location of crack and shape of topography. Its dimensions are as follows: width - 50 m, length - 22 m, and depth - 12 m (without road embankment).

2) History of Disaster Occurrences

A failure, approximately 50 m wide and 90 m long, has first occurred on the said area of the road in August 2007. Other failures also affected the road in September of the same year, when cracks appeared on the road surface and retaining wall built on the mountainside. Thereafter, hair cracks were observed in July 2009 on the same section.

3) Failure Mechanism

High-angle schistosity oblique to the slope and sheeting joints parallel to the slope have developed. For this reason, the slope is characterized by a structure where planar and wedge failures are likely to occur. The collapse in July 2009 occurred by this geological structure.

Between July and August 2007, when the continuous total rainfall reached 607 mm, the first large collapse has occurred. Subsequently, small collapses occurred with continuous rainfall of approximately 150 to 300 mm. Although an hourly rainfall of around 50 mm took place eight times, no collapse has occurred. It is also noted that there were no incidents of collapse during this study period.

4) Slope Monitoring

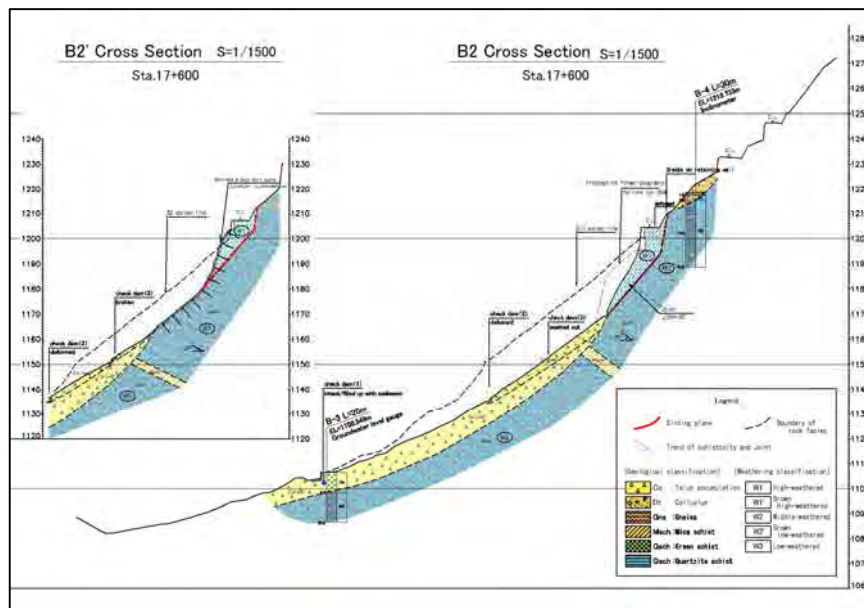
A small tendency of expansion in the rainy season was confirmed based on the measurements of the cracks on the road and retaining wall above the scarp. A small accumulative tendency was also confirmed during the monitoring with tiltmeter. Considering these observations, signs of instability of the road and its structure are confirmed to be influenced by the collapse under the said road.

5) Probability of Disaster Occurrence

Slope is just balanced temporarily from the observation of monitoring data. However, it has the possibility of suddenly collapsing due to heavy rains and earthquake within the area 50 m wide along the crack of parallel structure to the slope.

6) Necessity of Countermeasure Works

In case that the slope, including the road in the vicinity of Sta. 17+600, would collapse, realignment of the road to the mountainside will not be possible since its other section runs through a slope above Sta. 17+600. In effect, excavation of the slope for such realignment will reach the other section of the road above. Therefore, stabilization of the landslide itself is necessary without realigning the road at this section.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 2.2.2 Geological Section of Landslide A

(2) Landslide B (Sta. 17+620)

1) Scale of Landslide

The scale of Landslide B is not enough considering the open crack on the top, collapse by the side, shape of valley, and geological survey. Its dimensions are as follows: width – 40 m, length – 85 m, and depth - 18 m.

2) History of Disaster Occurrences

(Situation is the same as in Landslide A)

Landslide B is a ridge located in the neighborhood of this collapse, and no collapse has happened before.

3) Failure Mechanism

The loosened zone of the schist has been creeping due to toppling phenomenon, moving towards the Terai Plain's side and valley direction. It resulted in progressive weakening and therefore has become unstable. On the other hand, this part serves as a counterweight against the possible landslide of the rock slope overlying this loosened zone.

In case the slope collapses, a cliff will appear just below the road, similar to the case of the failure that occurred in September 2007. This will result in an unstable condition of the road due to further loosening of the newly formed cliff.

4) Slope Monitoring

No significant displacements were observed using all the monitoring devices. On the other hand, a significant tendency of expansion was confirmed based on the measurements of the cracks on the road and retaining wall above the scarp. A fractional significant accumulative tendency was also confirmed during the monitoring with tiltmeter. Considering these observations, signs of instability are confirmed.

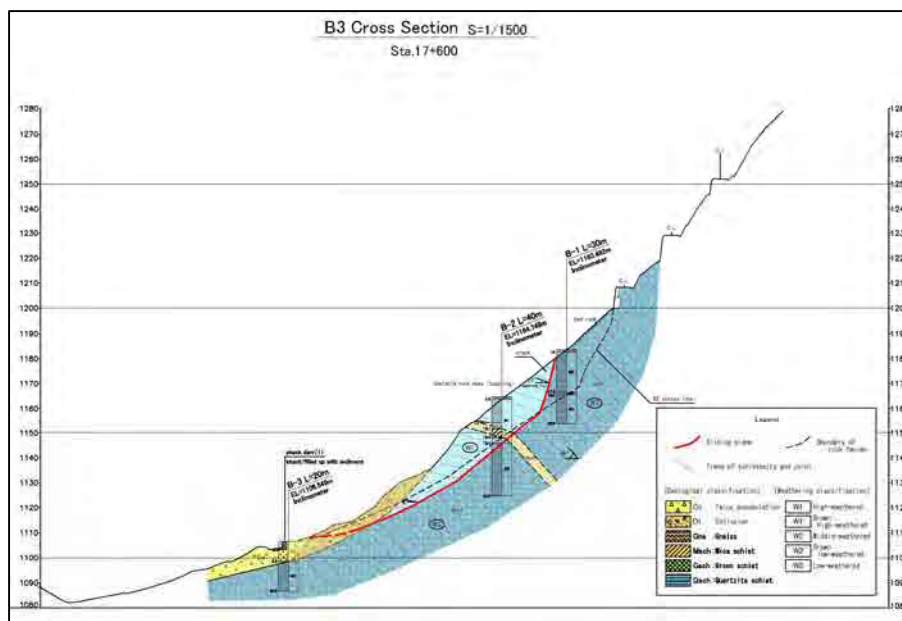
5) Probability of Disaster Occurrence

The failure type is considered to be that of a slide of loosed soil and weathered rock failure, where micro-deformation by gravity will continue and accumulate. Consequently, this may result in sudden occurrences of slope failures, particularly triggered by heavy rainfalls or large-scale earthquakes.

In case the slope collapses, a cliff will appear just below the road, similar to the case of the failure that occurred in Landslide A. This will result in an unstable condition of the road due to further loosening of the newly formed cliff.

6) Necessity of Countermeasure Works

If the entire area of Landslide B becomes unstable and it falls down, it is possible that the upper slope where the road is located will become secondarily unstable. In that case, the road on the entire area of the upper slope of Landslide B will be destroyed and it will be difficult to recover the traffic on the steep slope. Therefore, stabilization of the loosened zone itself will be necessary in the future.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 2.2.3 Geological Section of Landslide B

(3) Landslide C (Sta. 18+200)

1) Scale of Landslide

The scale of Landslide C is not enough considering the open crack on the top, collapse by the side, shape of valley, monitoring data, and geological survey. Its dimensions are as follows: width - 70 m, length - 70 m, and depth - 22 m.

2) History of Disaster Occurrences

Landslide C is located in the steep slope on the tip of the ridge. Cracks appeared on the slope just below the road in 2003, as well as on the road in 2005. In 2006, the road was realigned by about 10 m toward the mountainside. Loss of rock slope and appearance of cracks on the retaining wall have occurred after such realignment.

3) Failure Mechanism

The site is located on the toe of the ridge, which has creep deformation due to toppling. This could possibly cause slope failure triggered by heavy rainfalls or large-scale earthquakes.

After the collapse in July 2004 and July 2007, the collapsed surface becomes steep and unstable and thus an unstable slope exists. The unstable part easily falls down when subjected to a substantial amount of rain. Small collapses often occurred during heavy rains as observed by the JICA Study Team. The collapse is still continuing, and mudflow and expansion of the collapse can be observed.

4) Slope Monitoring

Monitoring of crack widths on the retaining wall was conducted using a manual measuring device. Displacement/movement of the slope was measured using tiltmeters and inclinometers. The result of crack monitoring showed a tendency for crack expansions. The peeling off of the shotcrete surface and the continuing of the collapse can also be observed. The monitoring results based on the usage of tiltmeter and inclinometer showed significant accumulated displacements of the landslide.

5) Probability of Disaster Occurrence

The toppling failure of Landslide C has become evident. Displacements measured using monitoring devices (tiltmeter and inclinometer) were not confirmed during the dry season while expansion of cracks after rainfall was confirmed during the rainy season. If countermeasure works are not done, collapse would expand and traffic would terribly be affected.

6) Necessity of Countermeasure Works

It is therefore concluded that the slope has become unstable and countermeasures against the entire slope failure of Landslide C should be constructed immediately. Otherwise, shifting the road to the area of stable zone (outside of Landslide C) is needed. With regards to road shift, countermeasure works on the edge of shotcrete, where small collapses often occur during rainy season, are needed to ensure the stability of the entire landslide area. There were no cracks outside the upper zone of Landslide C. In addition, a space of around 5 m was allotted between Landslide C and the new road.

(4) Sta. 17+400

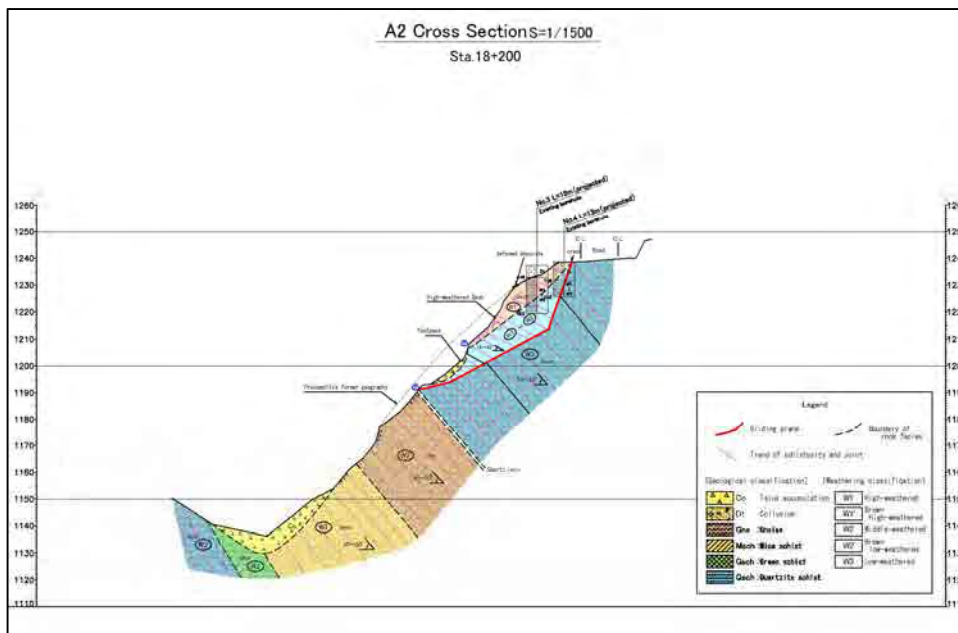
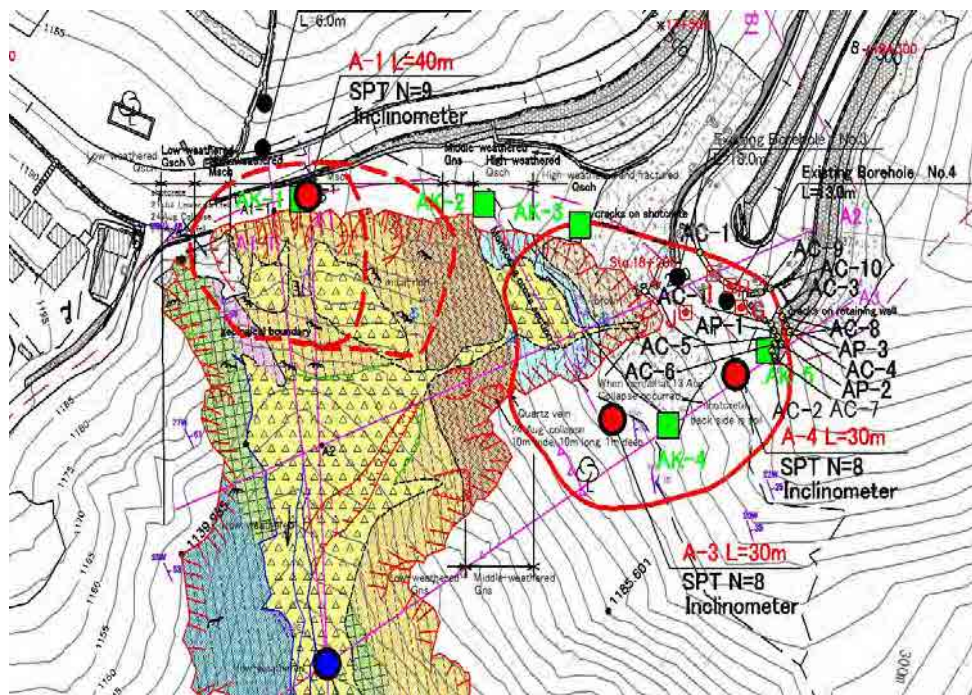
Countermeasure work is now under construction by DOR at this Landslide. The result of investigation before has been reviewed for reference.

1) Scale of Landslide

The scale of this Landslide is not enough considering the area of collapse zone, topography, and geological survey. Its dimensions are as follows: width - 70 m, length - 40 m, and depth - 8 m.

2) History of Disaster Occurrences

After the first failure in June 2003, subsequent failures occurred in July 2004 and August 2005 at the south-facing slope on narrow ridge where Sta. 17+400 of the road is located. The ridge width has narrowed from around 15 m due to these intermittent collapses. Moreover, the road shoulder is likely to be further damaged by future failures. Therefore, the road section was realigned to the west side (mountainside) in 2006. Small collapses occur every rainy season. The shotcrete and wall of the old road structure fell down completely during the rainy season of August 2010.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 2.2.4 Geological Map and Section of Landslide C

3) Failure Mechanism

Talus deposit with a maximum depth of 10 m is distributed in the lower part of the slope while weathered schist rocks are exposed in its upper part just below the road. Talus deposit was accumulated due to several past failures and surface denudation of highly weathered rocks of the upper part of the slope.

It was observed that: (a) continuous rainfall of approximately 300 mm was recorded every year; (b) when the hourly and continuous rainfalls exceeded 30 mm and 150 mm, respectively, collapses seem to occur; and (c) large-scale collapses occur only when continuous rainfall

exceeded 500 mm.

4) Slope Monitoring

The monitoring of slope movement was conducted using two tiltmeters and one borehole inclinometer. Significant displacements were not clearly observed with the devices. However, surface failures have often occurred during rainy seasons. It is judged that the failure mechanism is an intermittent surface failure triggered by rainfall.

5) Probability of Disaster Occurrence

The expansion pace of the slope failure is considered to be sluggish and will not totally block the transportation system of the road in the immediate future. However, the failures will eventually reach the road in the future if no countermeasures are implemented.

6) Necessity of Countermeasure Works

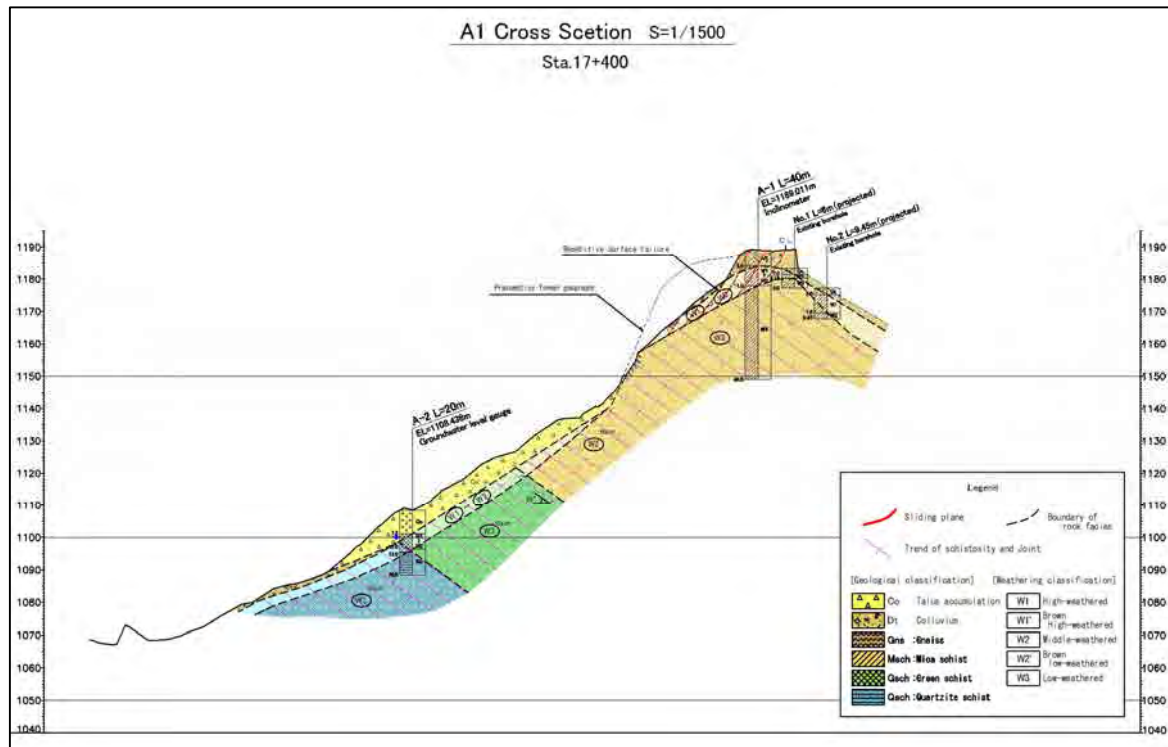
Countermeasures against slope failures are expected to be constructed in a step by step process in order not to damage the road in the future. The following countermeasures were considered:

Upper slope : retaining wall and gabion wall

Lower slope : check dam, drainage channel from road, and green method in collapsed area

Implementation of countermeasures is also preferable for the purpose of environmental improvement because the slope has been totally deforested and deserted, which has lessened its durability against erosions.

Check dam is constructed by DOR near the borehole A-2 site in 2011. Thus, erosion control is increased.



Source: JICA Study Team

Figure 2.2.5 Geological Map and Section of Sta. 17+400

2.2.1.3 CONCLUSION

Table 2.2.1 Slope Failure Mechanism

Location		Landslide A Sta. 17+600	Landslide B Sta. 17+600	Landslide C Sta. 18+200	Sta. 17+400
Failure Mechanism	Topography	Scarp on head of catch basin	Creeping-deformed slope (flank is steep)	Toe of ridge	Col on narrow ridge
	Geology	Quartzite schist with dip joints	Quartzite schist with schistosity of opposite dip	Mica and quartzite schist with schistosity of opposite dip	Highly weathered mica schist/gneiss
	Disaster type	Planar failure and wedge failure /Deformation of the road embankment	Toppling failure	Toppling failure (including partial surface failures)	Intermittive surface collapse
History of the disaster that has occurred		July 2009	September 2007	After November 2003	Since June 2003 Shotcrete fell down Aug 2010
Result of Monitoring	Tiltmeter	Slightly significant accumulated displacement (Rank B~C)	Small accumulated displacement (Rank C~)	Significant accumulated displacement (Rank B)	No displacement
	Inclinometer	-	No significant displacement	Accumulated displacement	No displacement
	Crack	Tendency for a small expansion	-	Tendency for a significant expansion	-
Slope Stability		Deformation of the road structure gives signs of destabilization.	Creep is in progress. The failure is likely to occur on the road part.	Expansion of failure and cracks due to rainfall are confirmed.	When it rains, small-scale surface collapses occur intermittently.
Predicted failure in the future		<u>It is difficult to predict the timing of the failure occurrence</u> because accumulated rainfall of over 500 mm or earthquake can lead the sudden occurrence of failure.	Accumulated rainfall of over 500 mm or earthquake might lead the failure as large as that in September 2007 to occur. <u>It is difficult to predict the timing of the occurrence of failure.</u>	Cracks expanded about 10 mm/month during the rainy season. Therefore, <u>the failure is expected to worsen within a few years.</u>	If velocity of surface failures is 10 cm under one-year probable rainfall and 60 cm under a five-year probable rainfall, the failure will erode 6 m of the slope and damage the road shoulder in 30 years.
Impact on traffic		<u>The progress of deformation affects the road and its structure directly. The road would be closed for around two months.</u>	<u>In case the landslide occurrence forms scarps under the road, then the road would become unstable due to loosening.</u>	<u>The failure will Landslide the passage for around one month.</u>	<u>The impact on the road will not start in recent years. The progress of the surface collapse will cause the disaster which would Landslide the road for around one month in the future.</u>

Source: JICA Survey Team

2.2.2 SELECTION OF COUNTERMEASURES

2.2.2.1 CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTERMEASURES

The selection of countermeasures was conducted due to the results of review on Phase I and the geological surveys. Countermeasures against landslides include control works and restraint works. Control works involve modifications of natural conditions related to landslides, such as topography and groundwater, which indirectly control portions of landslide movements. Meanwhile, restraint works are the implementation of structures that mitigate landslide movement. Generally, these two countermeasures are combined. The classification of countermeasures are as shown in .

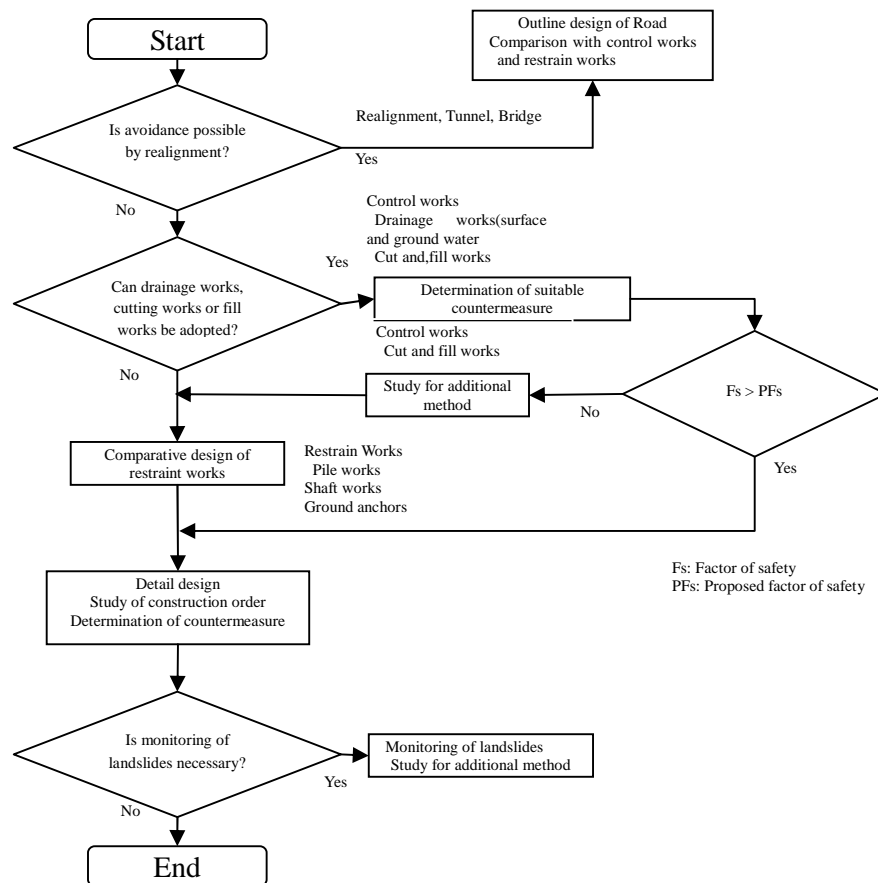
Restraint works cannot be implemented while landslides are occurring. Hence, control works are implemented first, and after landslides have stopped, restraint works will then be implemented.

Figure 2.2.6 shows the process of selecting countermeasures against landslides are selected.

Table 2.2.2 Classification of Countermeasures Against Landslides

Control Works	
Surface water drainage works	Surface water drainage works are channel works constructed with corrugated wave tube and seepage water prevention works consisted by water proof sheets.
Shallow groundwater drainage works	Shallow groundwater drainage works are designed to pare down shallow groundwater. These are horizontal drainages, closed and opened conduit.
Deep groundwater drainage works	Deep groundwater drainage works are designed for the landslides which slip surface is deep. These are horizontal drainages, deep wells and the drainage tunnels.
Groundwater interception works	These works are intercept and drain groundwater out of landslide
Cut works	These works cut the upper half portion of landslide
Fill works	These works stabilize the landslide by filling the foot of the landslides with soil.
Erosion control works	These works prevent erosion at the end of landslides by constructing revetments, etc.
Restraint works	
Pile works	These works deter landslides by constructing piles that penetrate through the landslide mass.
Shaft works	These works deter landslides by concrete piles (shaft) in the ground. This method is adopted in cases where usual piles are difficult to apply.
Ground anchors	Ground anchors are intended to prevent landslides using high-tensile strength steel wires or bars installed across the slip surface.

Source: JICA Survey Team



Source: JICA Survey Team based on Manual for slope protection

Figure 2.2.6 Selection of Landslide Countermeasure

2.2.2.2 SELECTION OF COUNTERMEASURES

(1) Landslide A (Sta. 17+600)

Dimensions of the landslide: 50 m wide, 25 m long and 10 m deep

Initial factor of safety: $F_{so}=1.00$. Proposed factor of safety: $PFs=1.20$

The adaptabilities of countermeasure for Landslide A are carried out (refer to Table 2.2.3). The results of inquest suggest that only ground anchors are possible to be adapted for this site, because the geography is precarious. Also, bridge works are adapted to avoid landslides on roads.

Table 2.2.3 List of the Adaptabilities of Countermeasure for Landslides A

Countermeasure		Adaptabilities of Landslide A	Determination
Avoidance of landslide		Realignment is impossible due to zigzag roads. Bridge can be constructed to avoid landslides but the roads must be closed for traffic due to bridge works.	OK with conditions
Control works	Surface-water drainage works	Roadside ditches have already been constructed. Shotcrete will be implemented on upper slopes to prevent stormwater infiltration.	OK
	Groundwater drainage works	These works are not effective because the slope is steep and large increase of groundwater levels cannot be confirmed.	NG
	Groundwater interception works	It is estimated that ground water supply from outside of the landslide is low. Shotcrete will be implemented on upper slopes to prevent stormwater infiltration.	NG
	Cutting works	These works cannot be constructed due to upper road.	NG
	Fill works	These works cannot be constructed due to the height of the slope under the road	NG
	Erosion control works	Exclusion	NG
Restraint works	Pile works	These works cannot be constructed due to steep slope.	NG
	Ground anchors	These works are adaptable for steep slope.	OK

Source: JICA Survey Team

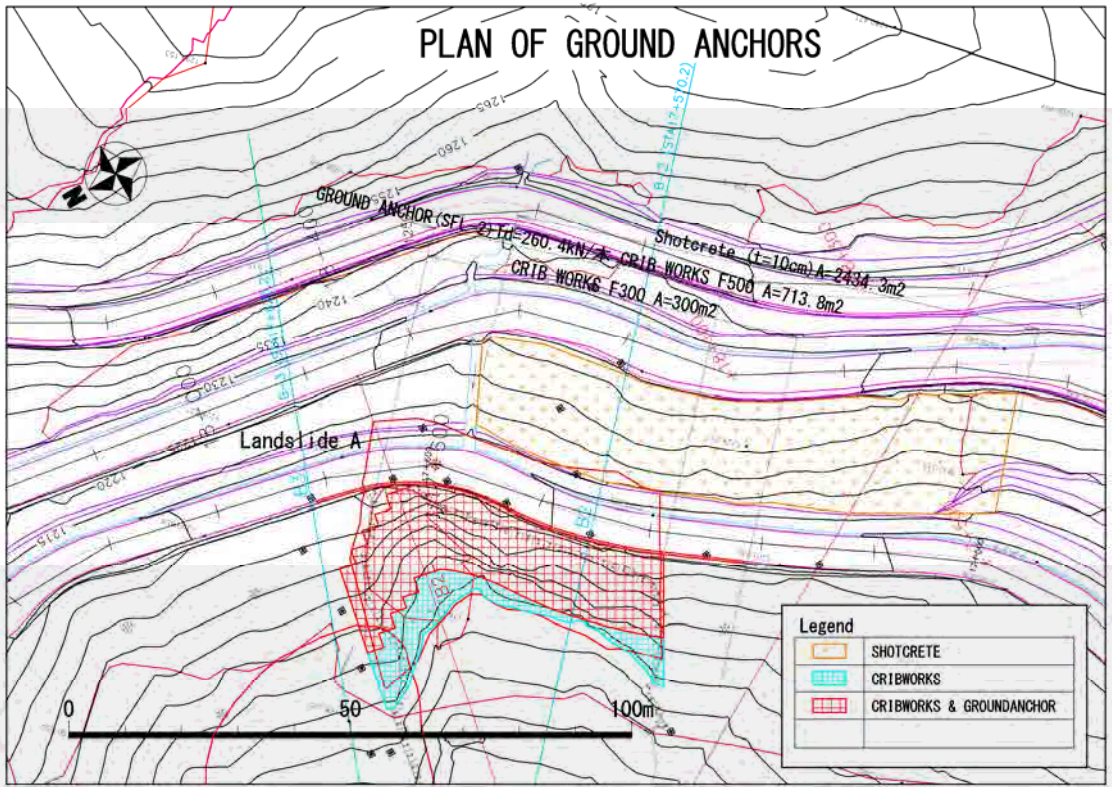
The approximate construction costs are as listed in Table 2.2.4. Also in the table are the unit prices that were collected in Phase I of the preparatory survey. Based on the costs, the design of ground anchors is less expensive than that of bridge.

Table 2.2.4 List of the Approximate Construction Costs for Countermeasures for Landslide A

Ground anchors design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Ground anchors	SFL-2 Td=260.4KN/each	1,600	m	21.8	34,870	
Crib works	F500 equiv.	713	m ²	27.9	19,900	
Crib works	F300	300	m ²	20.0	6,000	
shotcrete	t=10cm	2,434	m ²	3.0	7,302	
Temporary scaffold		8,340	m ³	1.5	12,510	
Total					80,582	
Bridge design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Bridge works	Steel(L=60.0m)	1	set	114,000	114,000	
Total					114,000	

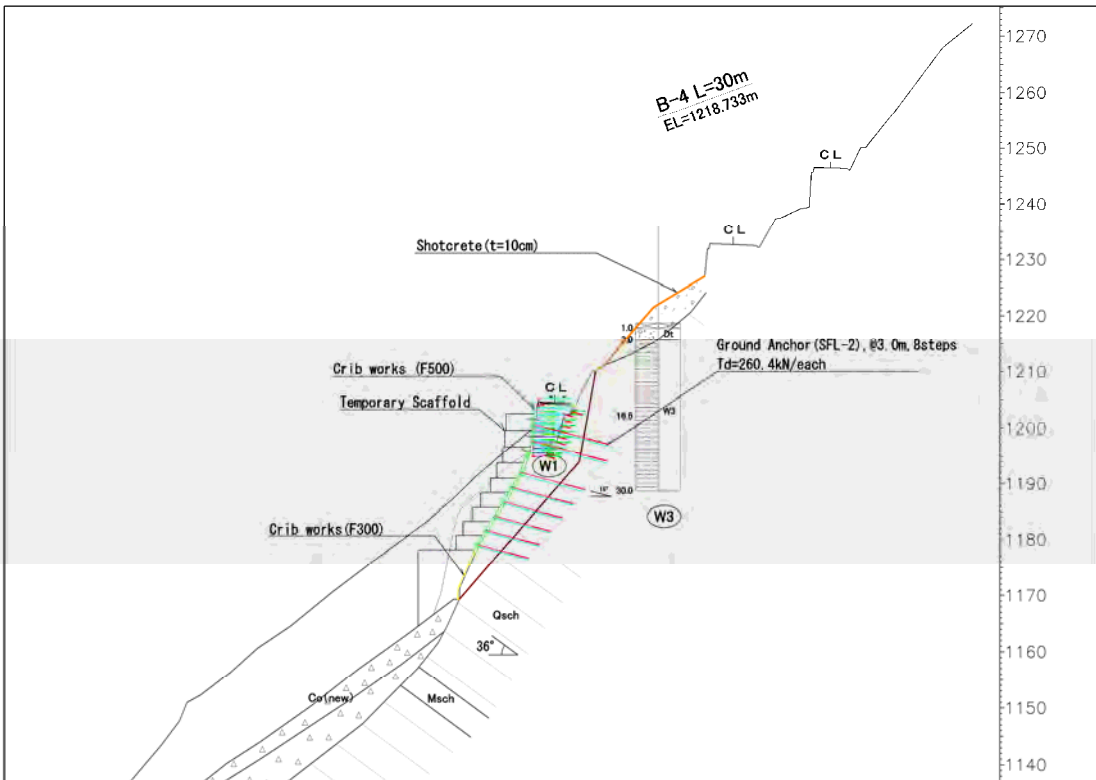
SFL: Super Flow; Td: Design load; F500:Cross section of crib works is 500 mm; F300: Cross section of crib works is 300 mm

Source: JICA Survey Team



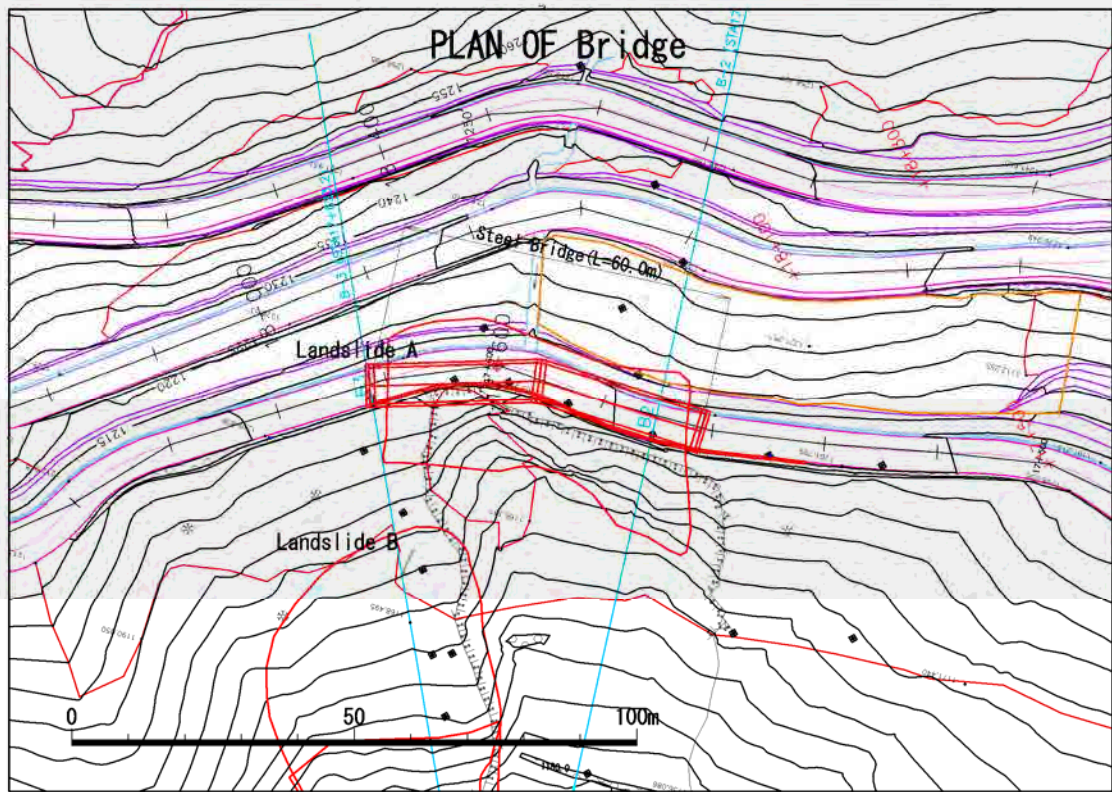
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Figure 2.2.7 Plan of Ground Anchor Design for Landslide A



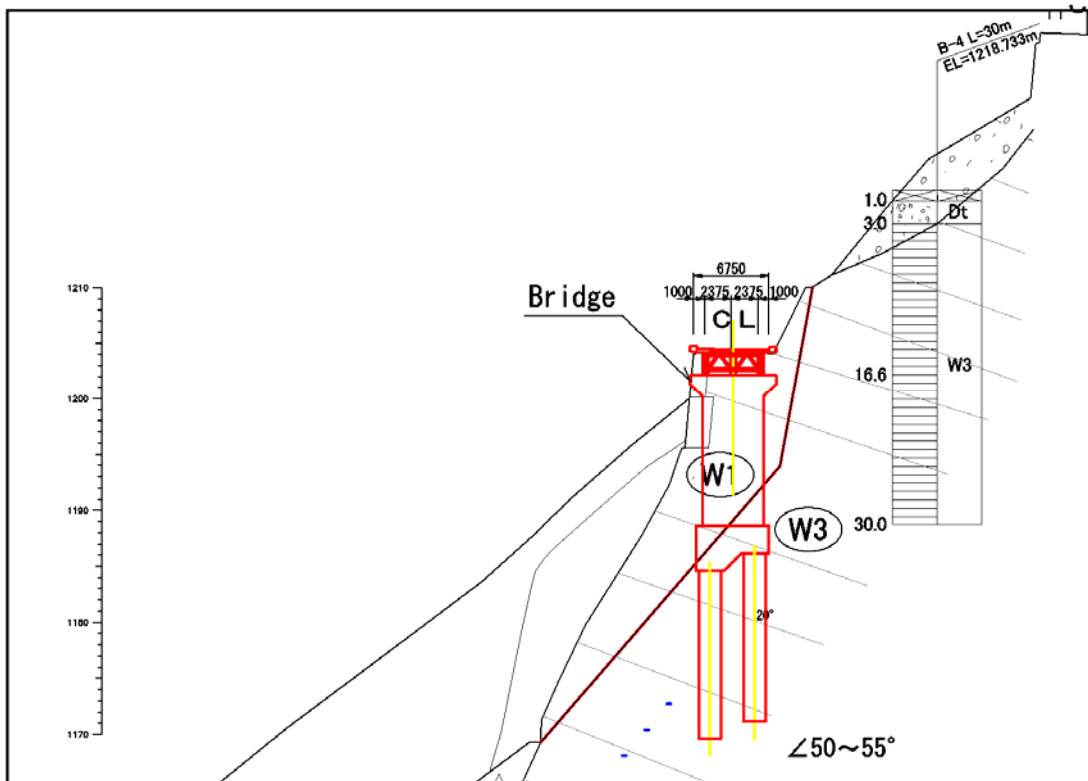
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Figure 2.2.8 Cross Section of Ground Anchor Design for Landslide A



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.9 Plan of Bridge Design for Landslide A



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.10 Cross Section of Bridge Design for Landslide A

(2) **Landslide B (Sta. 17+600)**

Dimension of landslides: 38 m wide, 83 m long and 19 m deep

Initial factor of safety: $F_{so}=1.00$. Proposed factor of safety: $PFs=1.20$

The analysis on the adaptabilities of countermeasures for Landslide B was carried out. The results of comparison show that ground anchors, pile works and fill works are possible to be adapted for this site, as shown in Table 2.2.5.

Table 2.2.5 List of the Adaptabilities of Countermeasure for Landslides B

Countermeasure		Adaptabilities of Landslide B	Determination
Avoidance of landslide		Realignment is impossible due to upper road.	NG
Control works	Surface water drainage works	Roadside ditches have already been constructed, so inflow of surface water to this slope is low.	NG
	Groundwater drainage works	The landslide mass is very loose and water permeability is high. It is estimated that groundwater level to lower soon after rain and the nurture of groundwater on landslide movement is low.	NG
	Groundwater interception works	It is estimated that groundwater supply from outside of the landslide is low. Shotcrete will be implemented on upper slopes to prevent stormwater infiltration.	NG
	Cut works	These works cannot be constructed due to upper road.	NG
	Fill works	These works are adaptable for this landslide.	OK
	Erosion control works	Exclusion	NG
Restrain works	Pile works	These works are adaptable for this landslide.	OK
	Ground anchors	These works are adaptable for steep slope.	OK

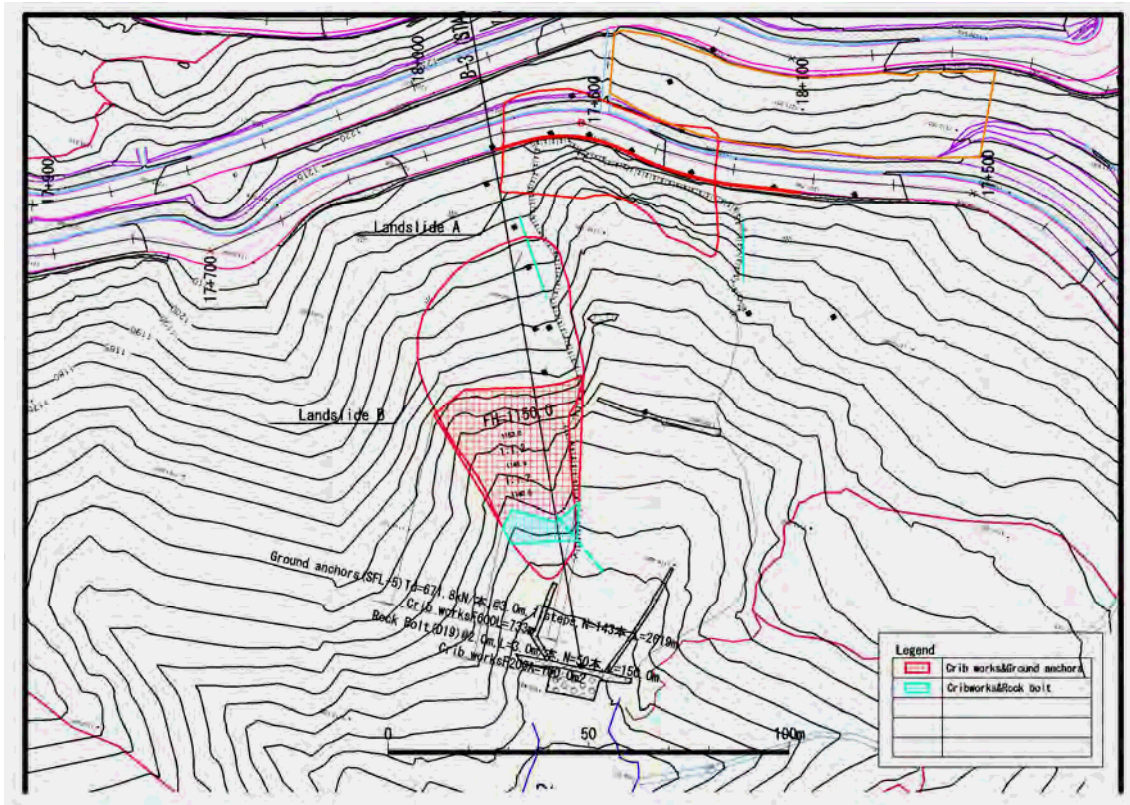
Source: JICA Survey Team

The construction costs of the three countermeasures for Landslide B are as shown in Table 2.2.6. Among the three countermeasures, the design of fill works has the least cost. Meanwhile, if pile works and ground anchors are adopted, soil disposal cost of Landslide C arises, therefore such cost is allocated for.

Table 2.2.6 List of the Approximate Construction Costs for Countermeasures for Landslide B

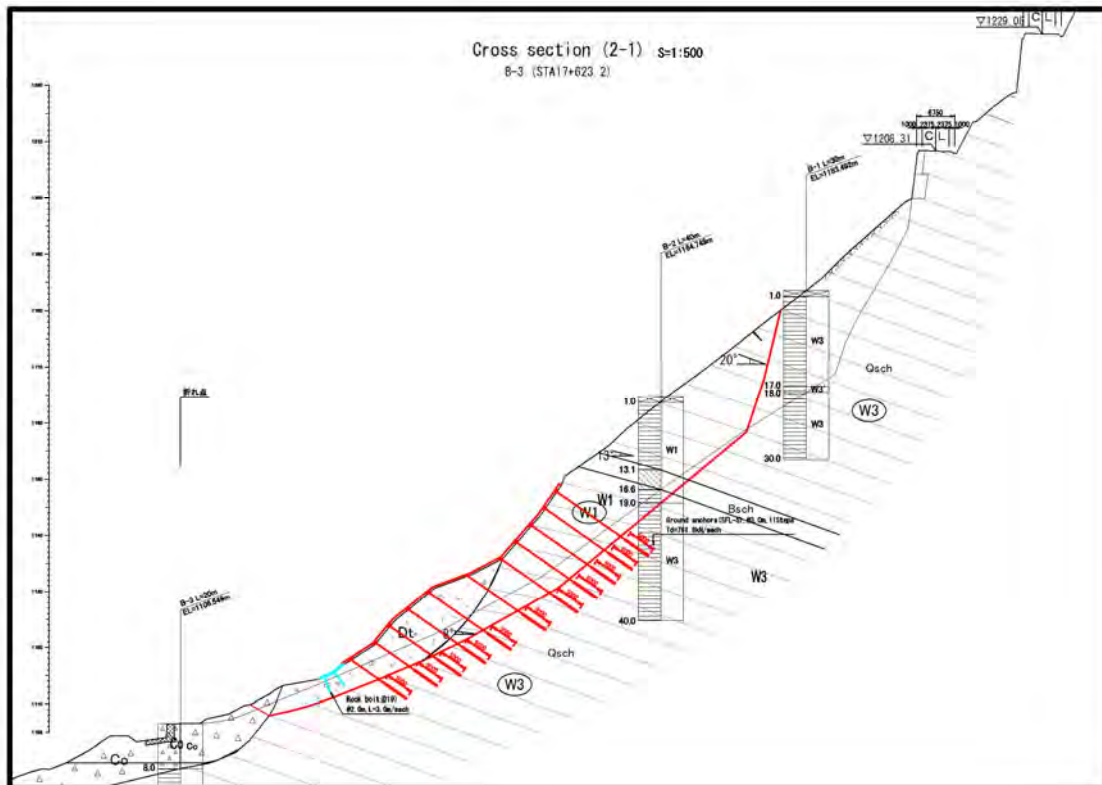
Ground anchors design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Ground anchors	SFL-5@3m 11Steps	2,550	m	23.9	60,846	
Crib works	F600 equiv	714	m	21.0	15,002	
Temporary scaffold		2,850	m3	1.5	4,275	
Crib works	F300 @2m	100	m2	20.0	2,000	
Rock bolts	L=3m @2m	150	m	18.0	2,700	
Temporary road		1	Set	5,500.0	5,500	Reference to phase 1 report
Soil disposal	Transport distance 20km	74,000	m3	2.1	155,400	C block
合計					245,723	
Pile works design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Pile works	SKK570 ϕ 550t16@1.5m L=23m	552	m	48.1	26,568	
Crib works	F300	2,052	m2	20.0	41,040	
Rock bolts	L=3.0m @2m2	3,078	m	18.0	55,404	
Temporary works		1	set	20,282.4	20,282	30 % of total direct cost
Temporary road		1	set	5,500.0	5,500	Reference to phase 1 report
Soil disposal	Transport distance 20km	74,000	m3	2.1	155,400	C block
合計					304,194	
Fill works design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Fill works		80,000	m3	1.1	88,000	*1
Closed conduit		266	m	25.0	6,650	
Vegetation		7,800	m2	0.6	4,680	
Open ditch		361	m	3.2	1,155	
Temporary road		1	set	5,500.0	5,500	Reference to phase 1 report
合計					105,985	
*1 Transport distance 2km Spreading, Surface compaction						

Source: JICA Survey Team



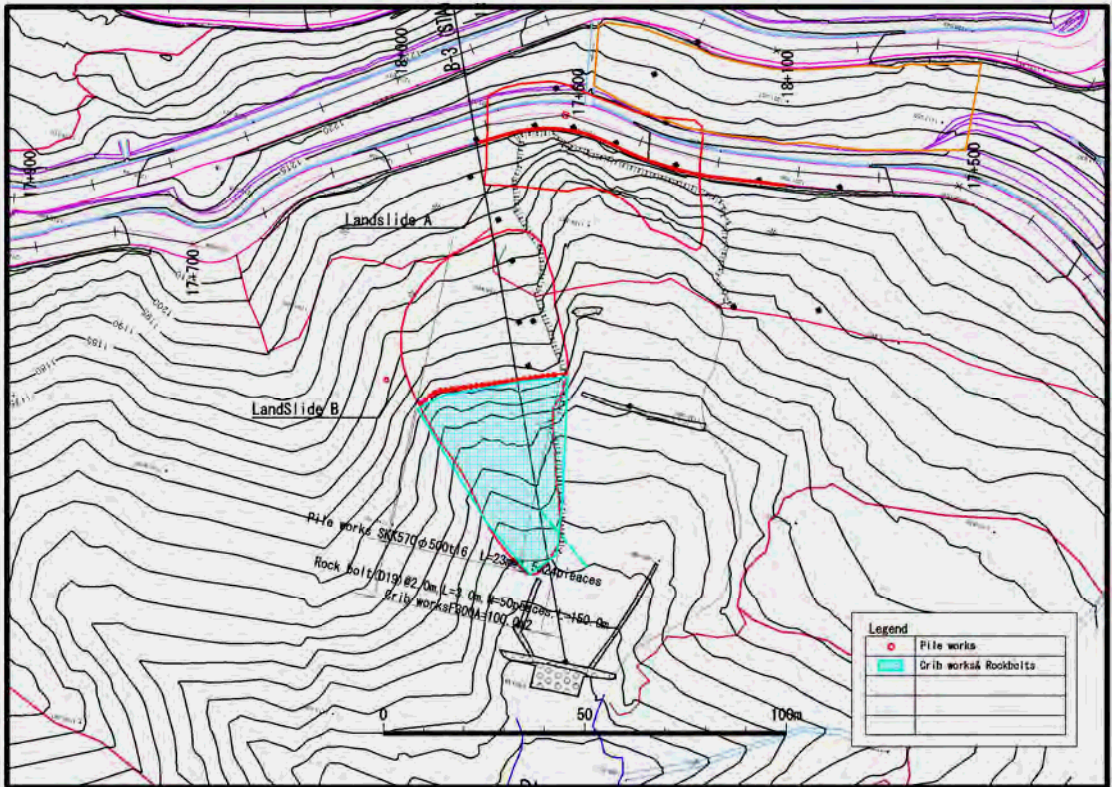
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Figure 2.2.11 Plan of Ground Anchor Design for Landslide B



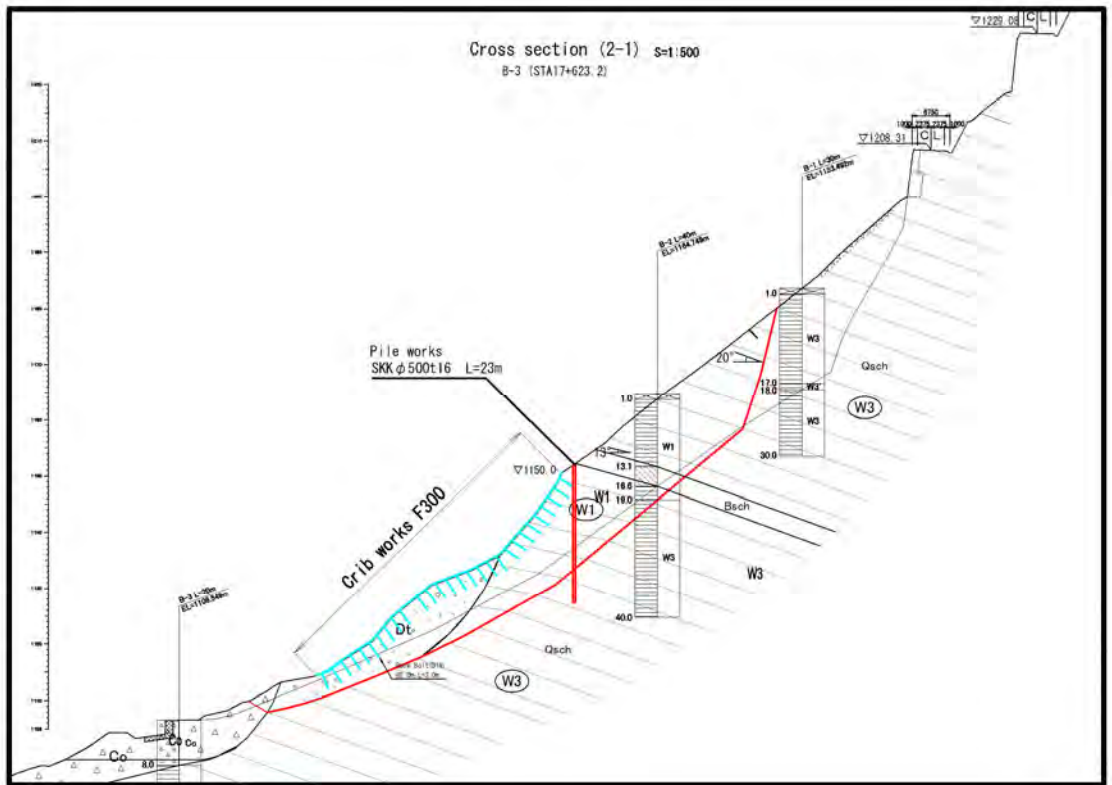
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Figure 2.2.12 Cross Section of Ground Anchor Design for Landslide B



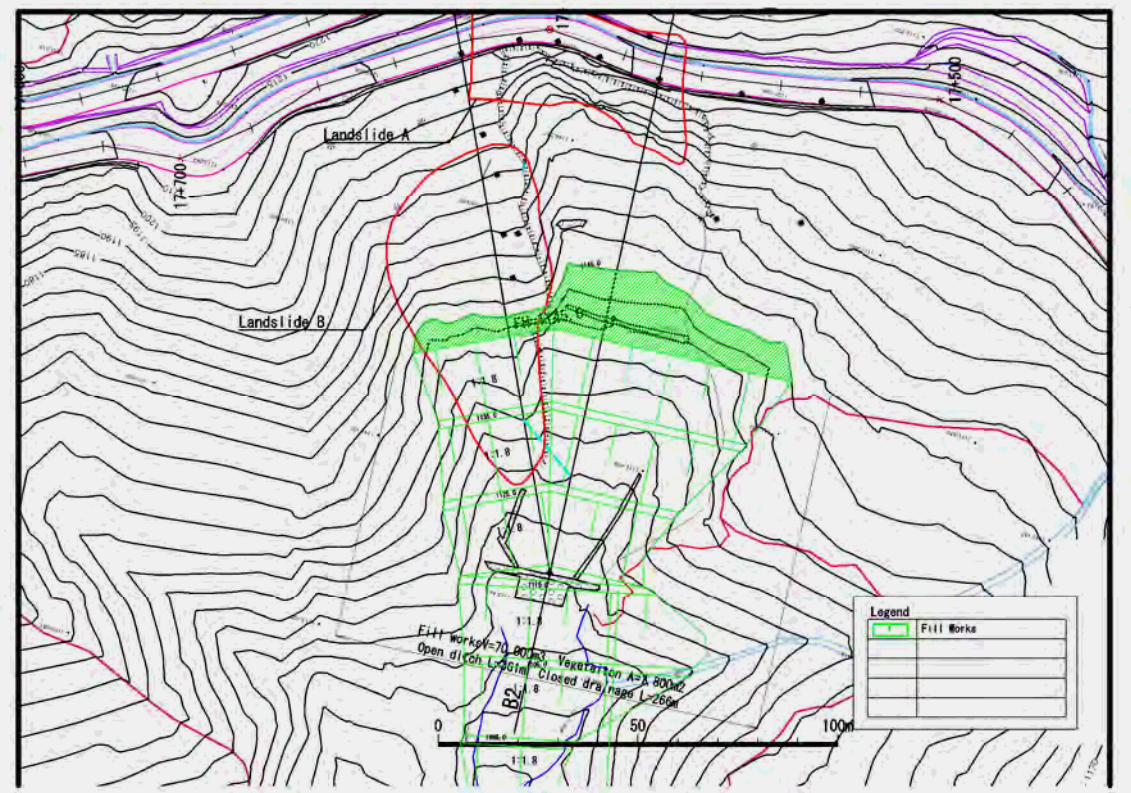
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Figure 2.2.13 Plan of Pile Works Design for Landslide B



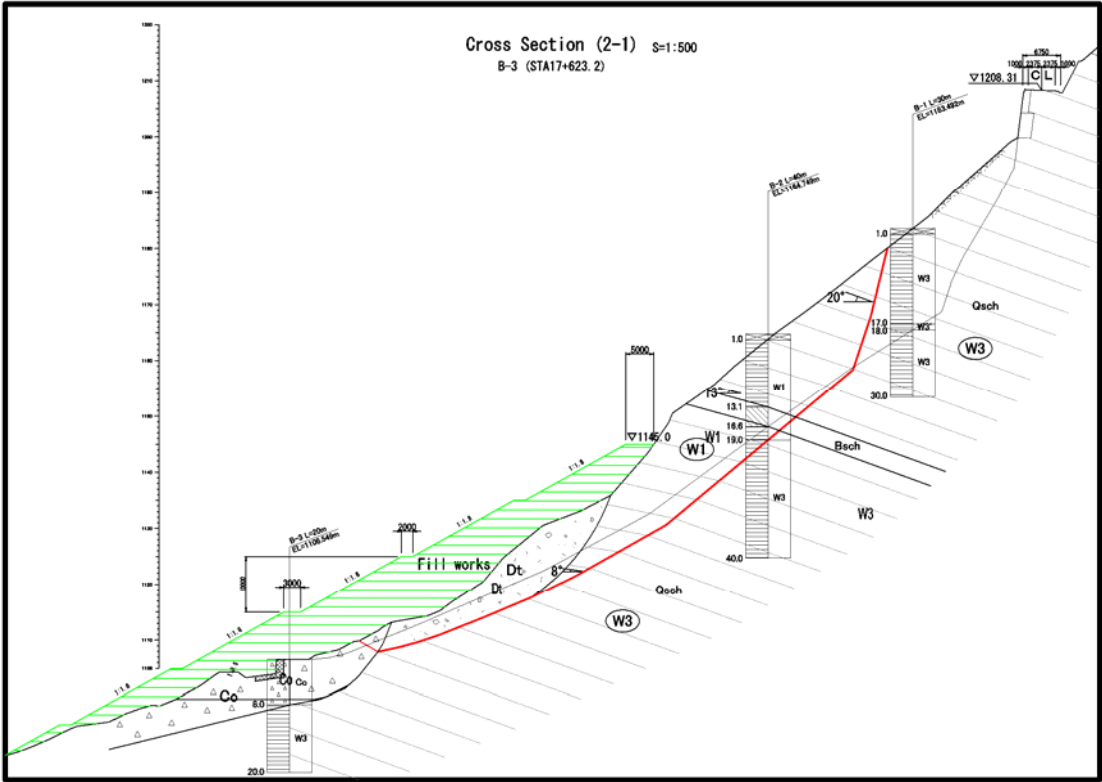
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Figure 2.2.14 Cross Section of Pile Works Design for Landslide B



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.15 Plan of Embankment Design for Landslide B



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.16 Cross Section of Embankment Design for Landslide B

(3) Landslide C (Sta. 18+200)

Dimensions of landslide: 70 m wide, 70 m long and 20 m deep

Initial factor of safety: $F_{so}=0.95$. Proposed factor of safety: $PFs=1.20$

The analysis on the adaptability of countermeasures for Landslide C was carried out. The results of comparison show that avoidance and ground anchors are possible to be adapted for this site, as shown Table 2.2.7.

Table 2.2.7 List of the Adaptabilities of Countermeasure for Landslide C

Countermeasure		Adaptabilities of landslide C	Determination
Avoidance from landslide		Road realignment to the mountainous side is possible.	OK
Control works	Surface water drainage works	This works can't be constructed due to steep slope	NG
	Groundwater drainage works	The landslide mass is very loose and water permeability is high. So it is estimated that groundwater level will lower soon after rain and the nurture of groundwater for landslide movement is low.	NG
	Groundwater interception works	It is estimated that groundwater supply outside of the landslide is low. Shotcrete will be implemented on upper slopes to prevent of stormwater infiltration.	NG
	Cut works	These works cannot be constructed, because land designed to achieve the proposed factor of safety will be excavated from the existing road.	NG
	Fill works	These works cannot be constructed as there is no space available for fill works.	NG
	Erosion control works	Erosion control works of Sta. 17+400 implemented by GON are effective for this site.	NG
Restrain works	Pile works	These works cannot be constructed due to steep slopes	NG
	Ground anchors	These works are adaptable for steep slopes. However, landslides keep on occurring, therefore, landslide must first be stopped by fill works. But designed land form that complete proposed factor of safety ($Frs=1.05$) excavate existing road.	with conditions

Source: JICA Survey Team

If ground anchors are adopted, land designed to achieve the PFs will be excavated from the existing road. In order to ensure the road alignment, deep excavation is necessary. Therefore, road realignment is suitable for this site to avoid landslides. If erosion at Sta.18+200 continues, road realignment is also appropriate. A high intensity net is required for erosion control.

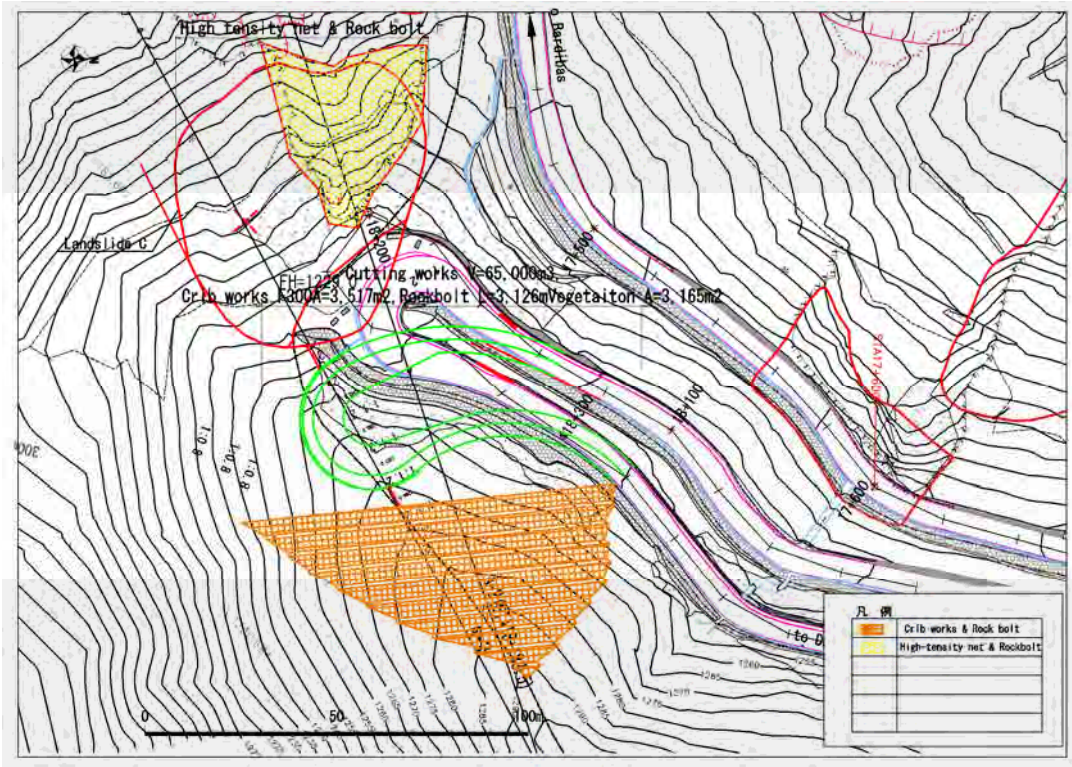
The approximate construction costs are as shown in Table 2.2.8.

Table 2.2.8 List of the Approximate Construction Costs for Countermeasures for Landslide C

Avoidance design						
Type	Standard	Quantity	Unit	U.P.	Direct cost(K yen)	Remarks
Cutting works	Soft rock	70,000	m ³	0.7	49,000	
Rock bolt	@1.5m L=2m	3,126	m	18.0	56,272	
Crib works	F300	3,517	m ²	20.0	70,340	
Vegetation		3,165	m	0.5	1,583	
High-tensity net		5,329	m ²	23.0	122,567	
Ancillary works		1	Set	12,000	12,000	Reference to phase 1 report
sub total					311,762	
Soil deposit	transport distance 20km	74,000	m ³	2.1	155,400	*1
Total					467,162	

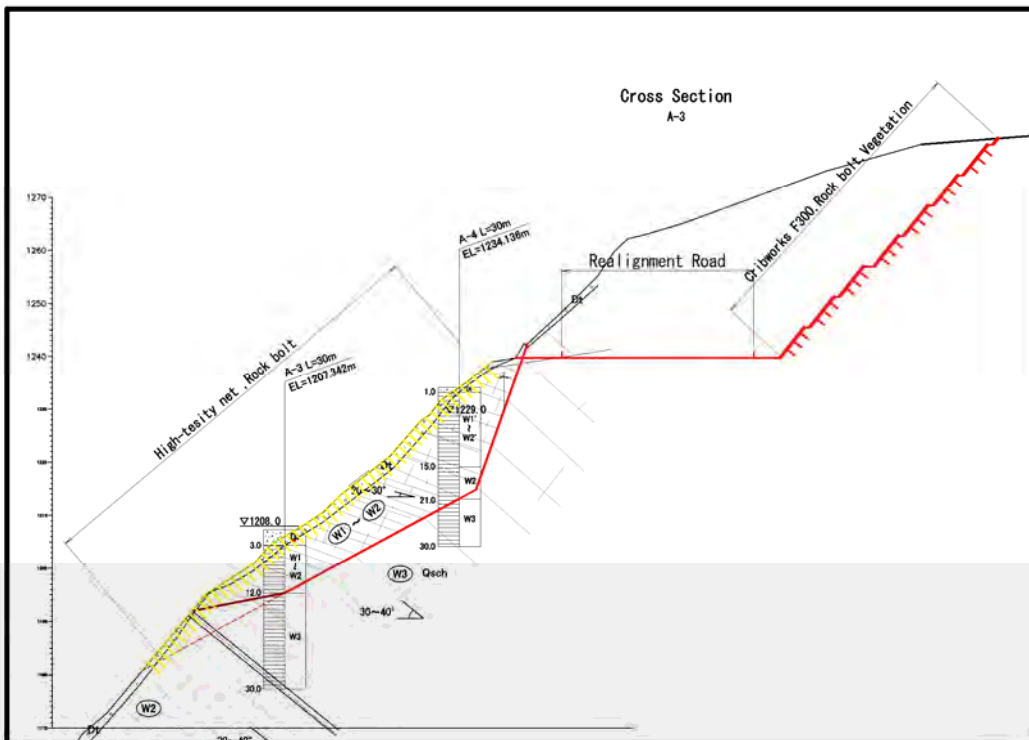
*1 Transport distance is 20km (Transport&Spreading&Surface compaction)

Source: JICA Survey Team



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.17 Plan of Realignment Design for Landslide C

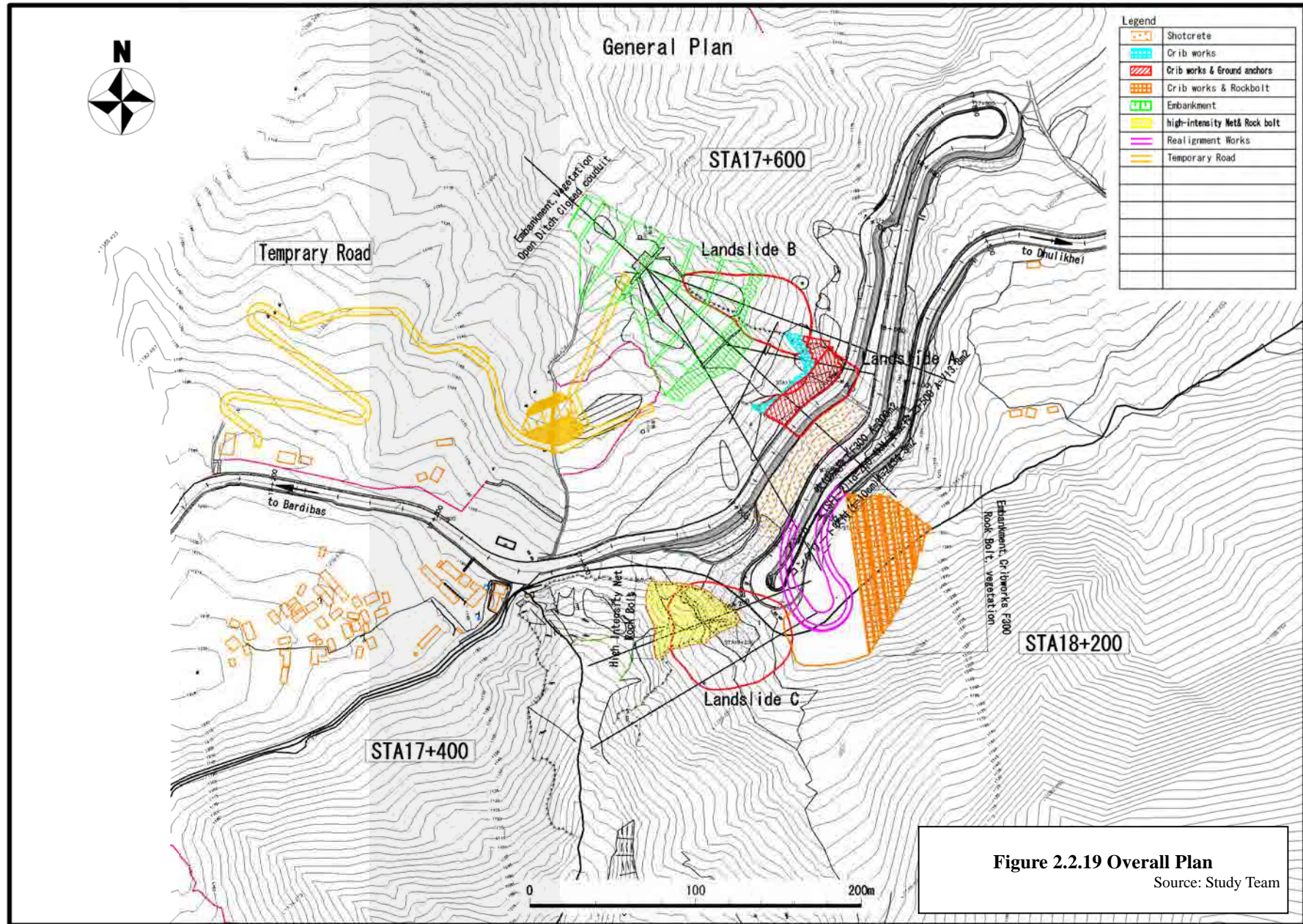


Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.18 Cross Section of Realignment Design for Landslide C

(4) Layout of Countermeasures

The overall plan for countermeasures is as shown in Figure 2.2.19.



2.2.3 OUTLINE DESIGN OF THE COUNTERMEASURE

2.2.3.1 STA.17+600 (LANDSLIDE A)

(1) Result of Stability Analysis

The condition of stability analysis for Landslide A is as shown in Table 2.2.9.

Table 2.2.9 Condition of Stability Analysis for Landslide A

Condition of Stability Analysis	Value Adopted
Initial factor of safety	F _{so} =1.00
Proposed factor of safety	PFs=1.20
Required preventive force to be provided	953.4 kN/m ²

Source: Study Team

(2) Ground Anchors

The condition of ground anchors design is as shown in Table 2.2.10.

Table 2.2.10 Conditions for Ground Anchors Design

Condition	Value Adopted	Standard
Calculus equation	Refer to below	Manual for Slope Protection, JRA*1
Anchor function	Clamping effect and Straining effect	Manual for Slope Protection, JRA*1
Skin frictional Resistance of anchor	1.5 kN/mm ²	Manual for Slope Protection, JRA*1
Design strength of Grout	24 kN	Manual for Slope Protection, JRA*1
Allowable adhesive stresses	Prestressing Steel wire 0.8 Deformed prestressing steel bar 1.6	Manual for Slope Protection, JRA*1
Soil bearing capacity	100 kN/m ²	Manual for Retaining Wall, JRA*1

Source: Study Team *1 Japan Road Association

(3) Calculus Equation

The calculus equation of stability analysis adopted in accordance with the Manual for Slope Protection of JRA is as follows:

$$F_s = \frac{\sum c \cdot l + \sum (W - u \cdot b) \cos \alpha \cdot \tan \phi + \sum T \{ \cos(\alpha + \theta) + \sin(\alpha + \theta) \tan \phi \}}{\sum W \cdot \sin \alpha}$$

Where, F_s= Initial factor of safety

C (kN/m²) = Cohesion of sliding surface

φ (°) = Internal friction angle of sliding surface

l (m) = Length of sliding surface acting on the slice

u (kN/m) = Pore pressure acting on the base of the slice

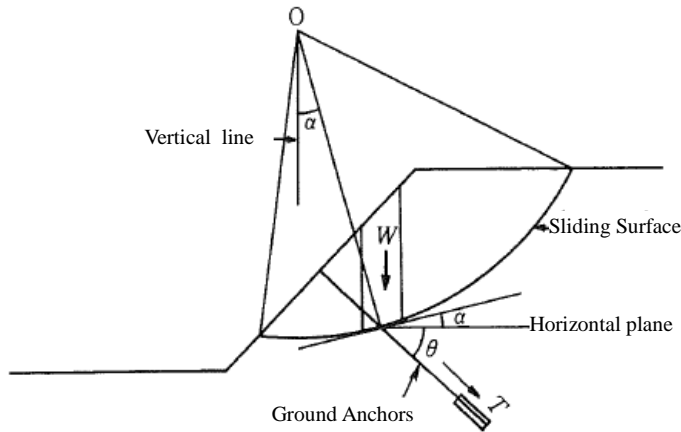
b (m) = Width of the slice (m)

W (kN/m) = Weight of the slice

α (°) = Angle of the base of the slice with respect to the horizontal

Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

Figure 2.2.20 shows the diagram for the calculus equation.



Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

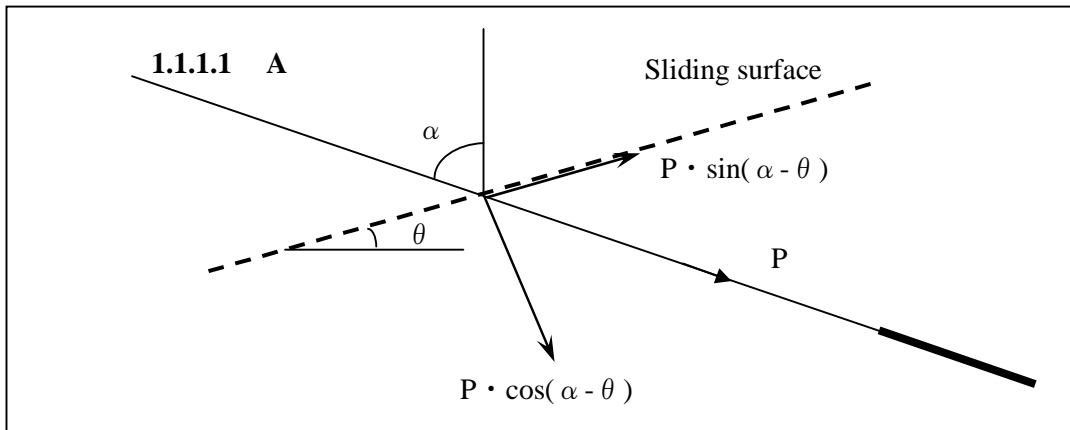
Figure 2.2.20 Calculus Method of Ground Anchors

(4) Anchor Functions

Anchors are installed to achieve the following two objectives (see Figure 2.2.21):

- Increase the resistance against shear force by applying stress normal to the sliding surface.
Clamping effect = $T \sin(\alpha + \theta)$
- Decrease the sliding force of landslide using steel members as anchors.
Straining effect = $T \cos(\alpha + \theta)$

Figure 2.2.21 shows a diagram of the forces applied by the anchors.



Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

Figure 2.2.21 Functional Description of an Anchor

(5) Skin Frictional Resistance of Anchors

Skin frictional resistance of anchors is determined in accordance with Table 2.2.11. The conditions of the friction zone are checked through a photograph taken during construction of Section II. The geology of the friction zone is hard rock, so a minimum value of 1.5 is adopted.

Table 2.2.11 Recommended Skin Frictional Resistance of Anchors

Type of Ground		Frictional Resistance (MN/m ²)
Bedrock	Hard rock	1.5 to 2.5
	Soft rock	1.0 to 1.5
	Weathered rock	0.6 to 1.0
	Mudstone	0.6 to 1.2

Sand and gravel	N value	10	0.10 to 0.2
		20	0.17 to 0.25
		30	0.25 to 0.35
		40	0.35 to 0.45
		50	0.45 to 0.70
Sand	N value	10	0.10 to 0.14
		20	0.18 to 0.22
		30	0.23 to 0.27
		40	0.29 to 0.35
		50	0.30 to 0.40
Cohesive soil	Representative Cohesion C	1.0C	

Source: Modification from Standard for Design and Construction of Anchor Works, Japanese Geotechnical Society

(6) Allowable Adhesive Stresses

Allowable adhesive stresses are determined in accordance with Table 2.2.12. The design strength of grout is 24 kN/m^2 , therefore, 0.8 is adopted for prestressed steel wires and 1.6 is adopted for deformed prestressed steel bars.

Table 2.2.12 Recommended Allowable Adhesive Stresses

Standard Ground Design Strength (unit: N/mm^2)		24	30	40
Type of tendon	1. Prestressing steel wire	0.8	0.9	1
	2. Prestressing steel bar			
	3. Standard prestressing steel wire			
	4. Multi-standard prestressing steel wire			
	5. Deformed prestressing steel bar	1.6	1.8	2.0

Notes: (1) $1 \text{ kgf/cm}^2 = 0.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$, (2) unit: N/mm^2 .

Source: Modification from Standard for Design and Construction of Anchor Works, Japanese Geotechnical Society

(7) Soil Bearing Capacity

Soil bearing capacity is determined in accordance with the values shown in Table 2.2.13. There are existing structures such as reinforced embankments and gabions in the target area. Ground anchors should only support weak stress. Therefore, 100 kN/m^2 is adopted for soil bearing capacity as a safety precaution.

Table 2.2.13 Allowable Bearing Capacity

		Allowable Bearing Capacity $q_a(\text{kN/m}^2(\text{tf/m}^2))$	Remarks N value
Rock	-Hard rock	1000 (100)	-
	-Hard rock with many cracks	600 (60)	
	Soft rock and	300 (30)	
Gravel layer	-Constant	600 (60)	-
	-Noncontact	300 (30)	
Sandy ground	-Constant	300 (30)	30-50
	-Medium constant	200 (20)	20-30
Clay ground	-Very stiff	200 (20)	15-30
	-Stiff	100 (10)	10-15

Source: Manual for Retaining Wall, Japan Road Association

(8) Bearing Plate

Bearing plate is selected in accordance with Table 2.2.14. The construction conditions of ground anchors in the Project are listed below. It is clear that crib works are suitable for this slope.

- Slope condition is rock.
- Length of slope is long.
- Gradient of slope is steep.
- Irregularity of slope is high.
- Design strength of anchor is small.

- Instruction of construction materials is difficult.
- Height of slope for which ground anchors are designed is high.

Table 2.2.14 Selection of Bearing Plate

Condition		Condition of slope							Condition of anchors				Construction condition				
		Rock fall	Earth and sand slope	Rock slope	Spring	Weathered rock	Slope length	Sleep	Irregularity is big	Anchor strength is big	Anchor strength is small	Anchor degree is big	Placement sidorder	Construction period is short	Installation is difficult	Construction area is high	Inverted lining
Crib Works	Crib works concrete	○	○	○	○	△	○	△	△	△	⊙	△	△	△	○	△	△
	Crib works	○	○	○	○	△	⊙	○	⊙	△	⊙	△	○	○	⊙	⊙	○
Plate	Concrete Plate	△	○	○	○	○	△	△	○	⊙	○	○	○	△	○	○	⊙
	Precast Plate	△	○	○	○	○	△	△	△	⊙	○	△	○	⊙	△	△	⊙
	Seel Plate	△	○	○	○	○	○	○	△	⊙	○	△	○	⊙	○	○	⊙
	continuous plate	⊙	○	○	○	△	△	△	△	○	⊙	△	○	△	○	△	△

⊙:Perfectly suit ○:Suit △:Depending on the situation

Source: Study Team based on Manual for Ground Anchors ,NEXCO

2.2.3.2 STA.17+600 (LANDSLIDE B)

The most appropriate embankment design for countermeasures against landslide B is carried out.

(1) Embankment structure

1) Soil volume

The cut volume in Sta. 18+200 is 7.6 million m³. Embankment volume is obtained by multiplying the cutting volume of 7.6 million m³ with the bulking factor of soil (C). The bulking factor of soil is adopted as shown Table 2.2.15 in consideration of the points below. The calculated embankment volume is 7.6 million m³ as shown Table 2.2.15.

- Bulking factor of soil is changed by material classification and construction method.
- In the Project, the embankment material is uniformly blended with gravel soil, soft rock and hard rock at the borrow pit. Therefore, the bulking factors of soft rock and hard rock are smaller than the values shown Table 2.2.16.
- If the bulking factor of soil is large and the embankment swells, an adjustment of 0.6 million m³ volume is possible at the crest of embankment. Conversely, if the bulking factor of soil is small and the embankment cowers, additional embankment material is necessary to stabilize landslides.
- It is suggested that the change of embankment volume is less than 0.6 million m³ in consideration of the total embankment.

Table 2.2.15 Embankment Volume

Material Classification	Excavation		Bulking Factor of Soil (c)	Embankment m ³
	Ratio	Quantity Cu.m		
Gravel Soil	36%	27,000	0.90 ^{*1}	24,000
Soft Rock	51%	39,000	1.05 ^{*2}	41,000
Hard Rock	13%	10,000	1.05 ^{*3}	11,000
Total	100%	76,000		76,000

*1 : The ratio of gravel, sand, silt and clay, which particle-sizes are below 0.075 mm, is unclear. Therefore, 0.9 is adopted in accordance with Table 2.2.17. Generally, 0.9 is adopted as bulking factor for soil material.

*2 : Embankment material is composed of mixed gravel and soft rock in borrow pit to create a uniformly-sized material. Moreover, a bulking factor of 1.05 is adopted for soft rock as shown Table 2.2.17. The 1.05 bulking factor is the sum of the added minimum value (1.00) and 0.05.

*3 : A bulking factor of 1.05 is adopted for hard rock because this material is a combination of gravel soils and soft rocks.

Source: Manual for Quantity Survey for Civil Engineering Work

Table 2.2.16 Bulking Factor

Name		L	C
Rock or stone	Hard rock	1.65~2.00	1.30~1.50
	Middle rock	1.50~1.70	1.20~1.40
	Soft rock	1.30~1.70	1.00~1.30
	Mass of rock, ball	1.10~1.20	0.95~1.05
Gravel soil	Gravel	1.10~1.20	0.85~1.05
	Gravel Soil	1.25~1.40	1.10~1.30
Sand	Sand	1.10~1.20	0.85~0.95
	Sand with rock or stone	1.15~1.20	0.90~1.00
Fine soil	Fine soil	1.20~1.30	0.85~0.95
	Fine soil with rock or stone	1.40~1.45	0.90~1.00
Cohesive soil	Cohesive soil	1.20~1.45	0.85~0.95
	Cohesive soil with gravel	1.30~1.40	0.90~1.00
	Cohesive soil with rock or stone	1.40~1.45	0.90~1.00

L= Volume of the loosened soil after excavation/ Volume of natural ground before excavation

C= Volume of compacted soil / Volume of natural ground before excavation

Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

Table 2.2.17 Bulking Factor (1)

Classification			Bulking Factor	
Soil Name		Algebraic Sign	L	C
Gravel Soil	Gravel	(GW) (GP) (GPs) (G-M) (G-C)	1.20	0.95
	Gravel soil	(GM) (GC) (GO)	1.20	0.90
Sand and fine soil	Sand	(SW) (SP) (SPu) (S-M) (S-C) (S-V)	1.20	0.95
	Fine soil	(SM) (SC) (SV)	1.20	0.90
Cohesive soil	Cohesive soil	(ML) (CL) (OL)	1.30	0.90
	Cohesive soil with high water content	(MH) (CH)	1.25	0.90
Mass of rock, ball			1.20	1.00
Soft rock I			1.30	1.15
Soft rock II			1.5	1.20
Middle rock			1.60	1.25
Hard rock			1.65	1.40

Source: Manual for Quantity Survey for Civil Engineering Work

Table 2.2.17 Bulking Factor (2)

Classification	Bulking Factor	
	L	C
Gravel soil	1.20	0.90
Sand and fine soil	1.20	0.90
Cohesive soil	1.20	0.90

Source: Manual for Quantity Survey for Civil Engineering Work

2) Slope Gradient and Step Width

As shown Table 2.2.18, the adopted slope gradient is 1:1.8, the step width is 2 m, and the step interval is 10 m.

Table 2.2.18 Slope Gradient and Step Width

Items	Condition
Slope gradient	1:1.8
Step width	2 m
Step interval	10 m

Source: Manual for Roads Design Vol.I: Earth Work, Nippon Expressway Company

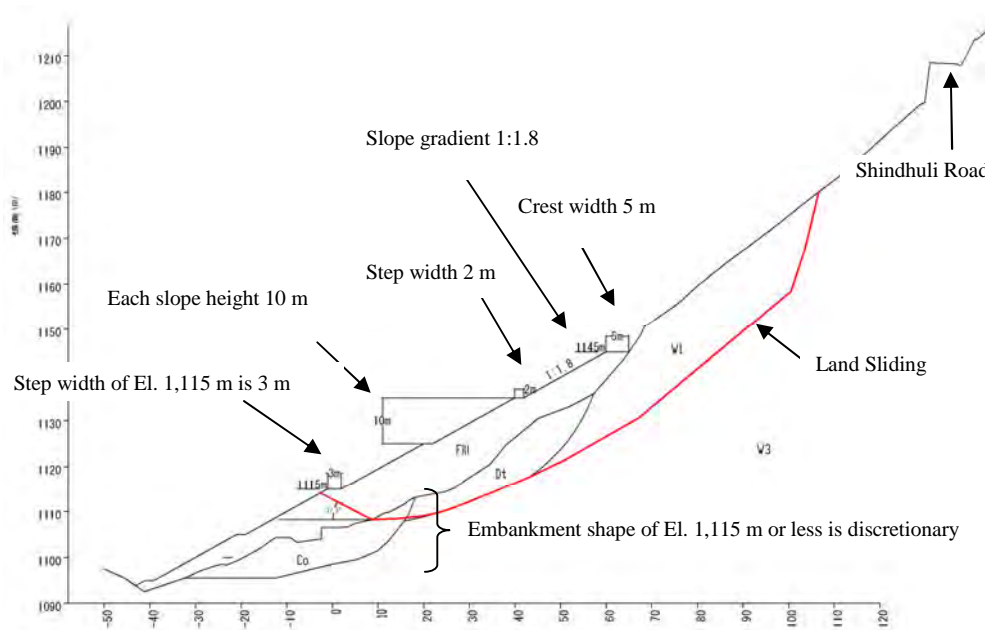
3) Embankment Condition Needed for Landslide Stability

The required embankment conditions for landslide stability are as shown in Table 2.2.19. These condition are determined by stability analysis for Landslide B.

Table 2.2.19 Conditions Needed for Stability of Landslide B

Items	Condition	Remarks
Crest elevation	1,450 m or more	
Crest width	5 m or more	
Slope gradient	1:1.8 or more	Intended for El. 1,115 m or more
Height of each slope	10 m or less	
Step width	2 m or more	Step of El. 1,115 m is 3 m or more for landslide stability

Ref. : The embankment mass below at 1,115 m will not contribute to landslide stability, hence, the configuration of the embankment should be decided by its stability.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.22 Minimum Condition of Embankment needed for Landslide Stability

4) Extent of Embankment

Embankments should not extend to agricultural lands. Hence, a minimum gradient of 1:1.8 is adopted.

5) Stability of Embankment

The factor of safety (Fs) shown in Table 2.2.20 should be fulfilled in the embankment. In the

result of circular sliding analysis in the seismic scenario, if groundwater rises upward on the embankment, the F_s must be 0.968. An F_s of 0.968 is NG for proposed the design factor of safety of 1.00. For this reason, the drainage layer with a thickness of 80 cm is designed in the embankment as shown Figure 2.2.27.

Table 2.2.20 Design Condition of Embankment

Sliding Safety Factor	Normal State	Seismic State
	1.20 or more	1.00 or more

Source: Manual for Embankment, Japan Road Association

$$F_s = \frac{\sum\{c \cdot l + [(W - u \cdot b) \cos \alpha - k_h \cdot W \cdot \sin \alpha] \tan \phi\}}{\sum\left(W \cdot \sin \alpha + \frac{h}{r} \cdot k_h \cdot W\right)}$$

Where, F_s = Initial factor of safety

C (kN/m^2) = Cohesion of sliding surface

ϕ ($^\circ$) = Internal friction angle of sliding surface

l (m) = Length of sliding surface acting on the slice

u (kN/m) = Pore pressure acting on the base of the slice

b (m) = Width of the slice

W (kN/m) = Weight of the slice

α ($^\circ$) = Angle of the base of the slice with respect to the horizontal

K_h = Design horizontal seismic coefficient (see below)

h (m) = distance of segmentalized mass center and arc center

R (m) = radius of circular arc

$$K_h = C_z \cdot K_{h0} = 1.0 \times 0.08 = 0.08$$

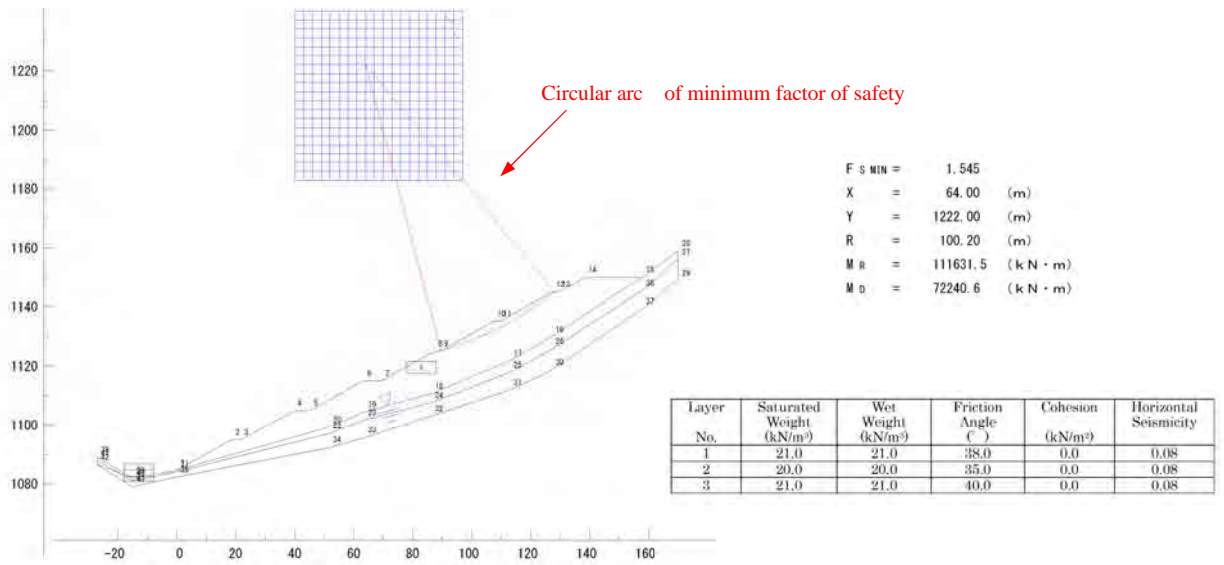
K_{h0} : The standard value of design horizontal seismic coefficient as shown in Table 2.2.21. Gravel bed has about 10 m of deposits in the basement, where SPT is more than 50.

C_z : Correction factor of zone. Project site is earthquake-prone, hence, 1.0 is adopted for safety.

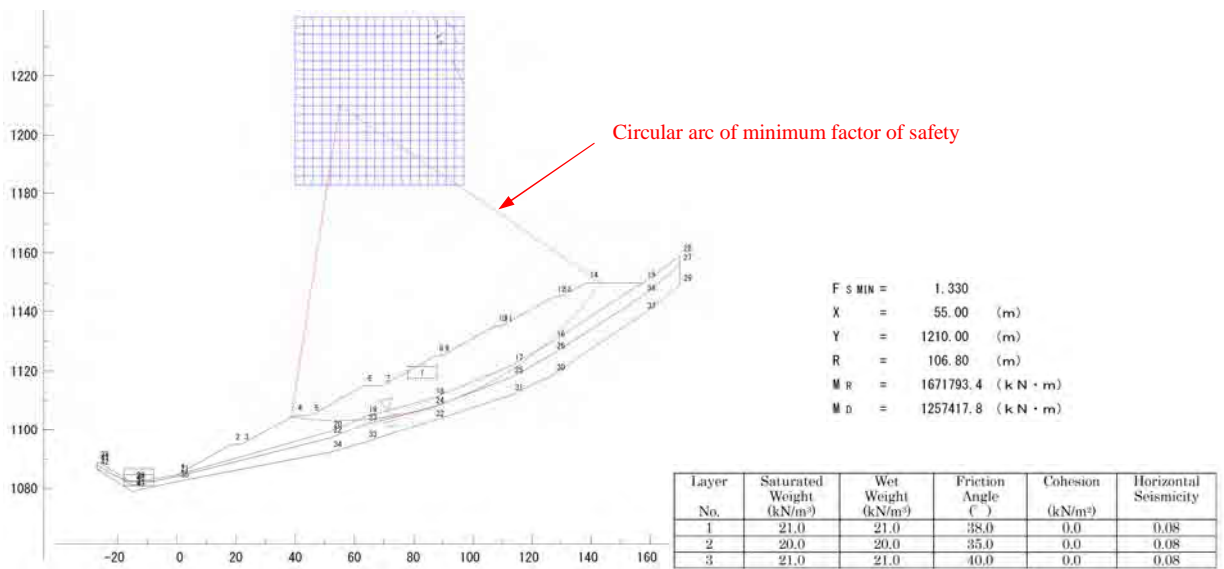
Table 2.2.21 Standard Value of Design Horizontal Seismic Coefficient

Earthquake Motion	Ground Classification		
	I	II	III
Level 1	0.08	0.10	0.12
Level 2	0.16	0.20	0.24

Source: Manual for Embankment, Japan Road Association



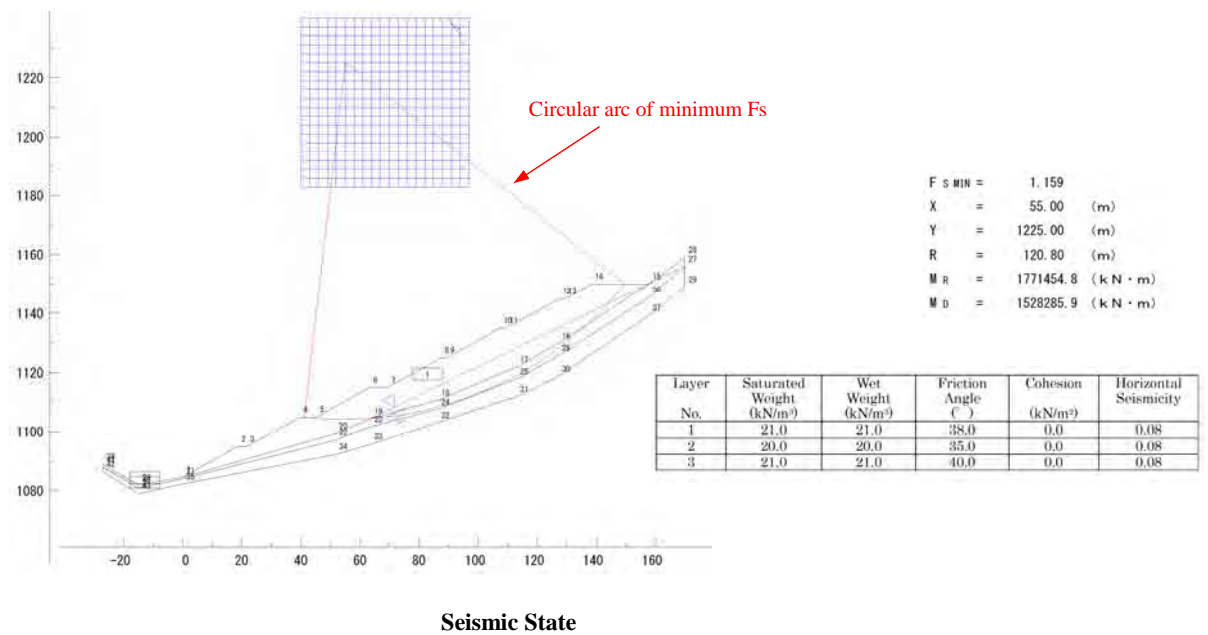
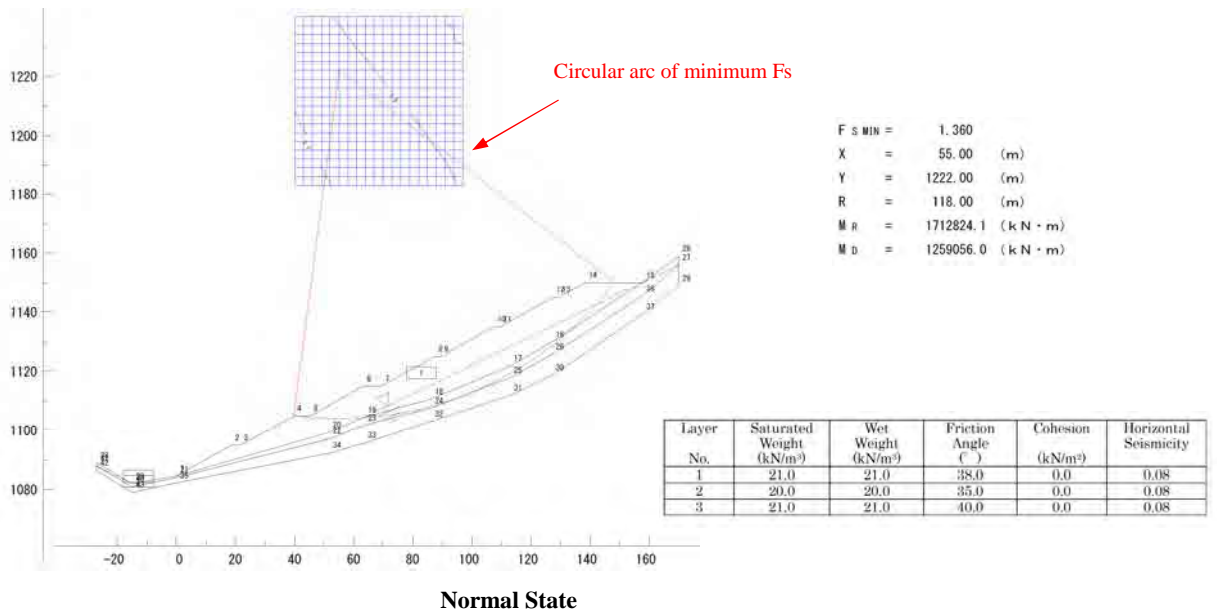
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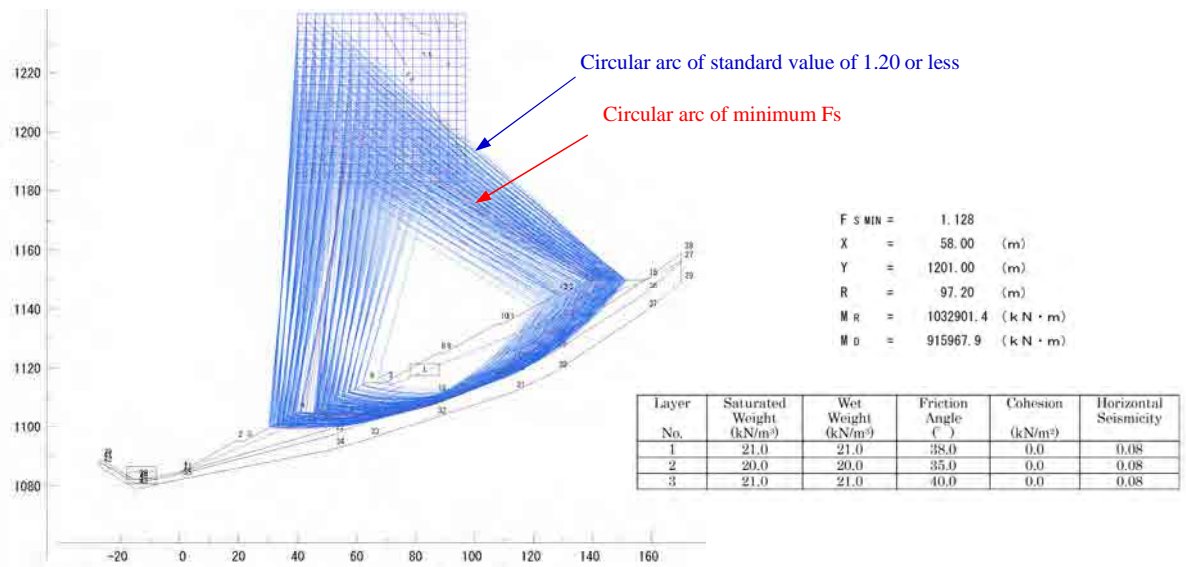
Seismic State

Source: JICA Survey Team

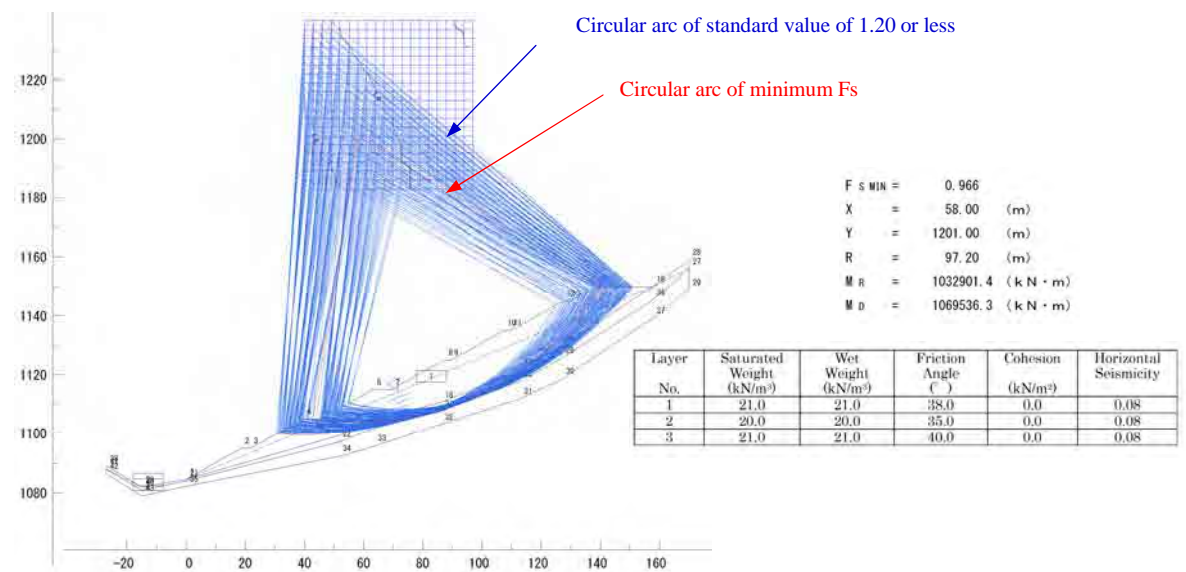
Figure 2.2.23 Results of Circular Sliding Analysis (without Groundwater)



Source: JICA Survey Team
Figure 2.2.24 Results of Circular Sliding Analysis (with Groundwater above 1,105 masl)



Normal State



Seismic State

Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.25 Results of Circular Sliding Analysis (with Groundwater above 1,085 masl)

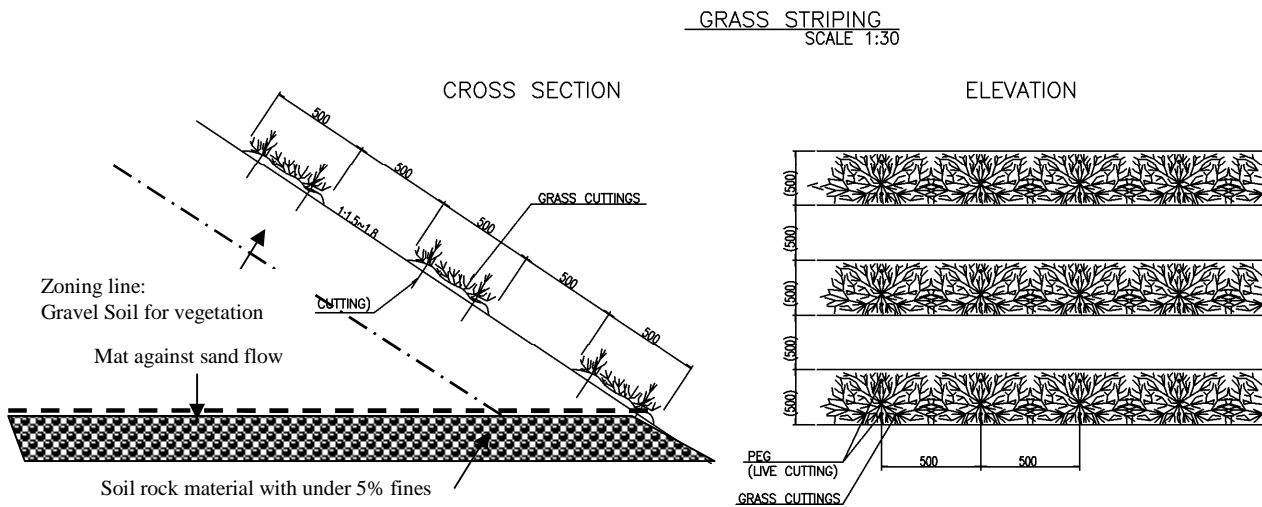
6) Replacement of Existing Open Ditch

Surface drainage water gathered up at Sta. 17+380 flows naturally into the end of embankment with an open ditch (H*W=0.90 m*0.75 m). Embankment is designed to cover this open ditch, therefore the open ditch is planned to be replaced at the boundary of the embankment and ground.

7) Vegetation Works

Vegetation works are planned to prevent erosion. Simple terracing works, which have a covering factor of 50%, are adopted in reference to the standards for Sindhuli Road Section II. However, final specifications should be decided during in-situ vegetation test. Figure 2.2.26 shows the

typical set-up for vegetation works on embankment. Table 2.2.22 shows the land use for vegetation works while Table 2.2.23 lists the slope grades and geological conditions for cut slopes.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.26 Vegetation Works on Embankment

Table 2.2.22 Vegetation Objectives and Land Use

Slope Classification	Embankment		Cutting					
			Soil		Soft Rock		Rock	
Slope Characteristics	Easy to be eroded	Stable to an erosion	Easy to be eroded	Stable to an erosion	Easy to be eroded and weathered	Stable to an erosion and weathering	Many Cracks and possible rock fall	Stable rock or kept stable slope
Geology	B,C	A,D	B,C	A,D	E,F,H,I		G,J	
No Protection Work								⊙
Vegetation	Sodding	○	○	○	○	○		
	Stepped sodding			○	○	○		
	Grass striping	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
	Sodding with straw	○	○	○	○	○		
	Tree planting	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
	Planting tree cuttings	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
Structure	Earthbags with sodding	○	○	○	○			
	Wet masonry	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	○
	Cast-in-place concrete crib (earth-filled)	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	
	Cast-in-place concrete crib (stone-filled)	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	
	Shotcrete					○		⊙
	Earth reinforcing					○		⊙
	Gabion fencing	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙		
fencing	○	○	○	○	○			

Legend) ⊙:Use ○:Occasional use
Note)

- ①In case it is impossible to secure stable slope by vegetation only, structure will be adopted.
- ②In case of possible rock-fall, rock-fall prevention work will be considered.
- ③In case of topographical restriction, geotextile reinforced earth wall will be considered.

Source) Study Team

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III

Table 2.2.23 Slope Grades and Geological Conditions for Cutting Slope

Mark	Geological Classification		Classified Slope Grade
	Major Classification	Minor Classification	
A	Soil	Colluviums (Gravel)	1:0.8 - 1:1.2
B	Soil	Colluviums (Soil)	1:1.0 - 1:1.5
C	Soil	Terrace deposit (Red soil)	1:1.0 - 1:1.5
D	Soil	Terrace deposit (Rock, Gravel)	1:0.6 - 1:1.0
E	Soft Rock	Hardly Weathered Slate	1:0.6 - 1:1.2
F	Soft Rock	Weathered and Joint Developed Slate	1:0.5 - 1:0.8
G	Rock	Slate	1:0.3 - 1:0.5
H	Soft Rock	Hardly Weathered Schist, Phyllite	1:0.8 - 1:1.2

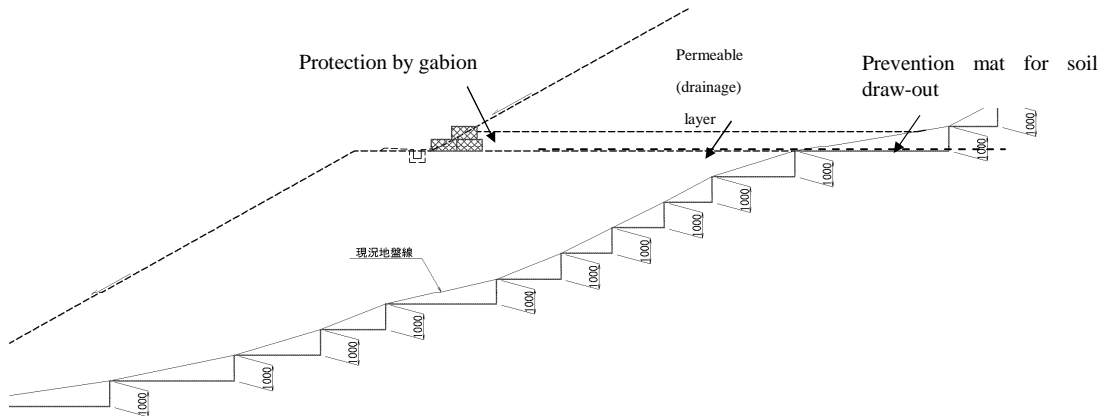
I	Soft Rock	Weathered and Joint Developed Schist, Phyllite	1:0.5 - 1:1.0
J	Rock	Schist, Phyllite	1:0.3 - 1:0.5

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Rection III

8) Treatment of Storm and Spring Water

-Treatment of Slope Surface: The volume of flow on the slope should be reduced. For this reason, open ditches are designed at the crest of embankment, boundary of embankment and ground, and cat walk. A 300 mm diameter U-ditch (U300) is adopted for open ditch based on calculations.

-Treatment of Osmosis Water in the Embankment: Although embankment material having less than 10% of fine content is highly permeable, if groundwater enters the embankment, the factor of safety then shifts under the design factor of safety. For this reason, the drainage layer with less than 5% of fine content is designed to drain osmosis water into open ditches along cat walks. In the drainage layer, particle size analysis should be conducted for quality control before filling works and permeability test after construction.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.27 Drainage Layer in the Embankment

- Treatment of Spring Water: Closed conduits are designed for spring water. The closed conduit is composed of fiberglass reinforced plastic mortar pipes (FRPMP) with a diameter of 300 mm.

- Investigation of Volume on the Surface: As shown in Figure 2.2.29, the outflow of surface water into the embankment is 0.155 m³/s. This flow is possible through U300 with a gradient of 2%. Table 2.2.24 shows the coefficients of discharge for different types of surfaces. Rainfall intensities at areas along the embankment are as shown in, while the different discharge coefficients for different flood return periods are as shown in Figure 2.2.28.

I) Outflow from Embankment Area

Area	Rainfall Intensity (mm/h)	Area (m ²)	Runoff Coefficient	Average Runoff Coefficient	Outflow (m ³ /sec)
Q1	60	6,672	0.5	0.5	0.056
Q2	60	5,011	0.5	0.5	0.042
Q3	60	3,814	0.5	0.5	0.032
Q4	60	1,001	0.1	0.14	0.004
		591	0.2		
Q5	60	1,701	0.2	0.2	0.006
Q6	60	1,237	0.2	0.2	0.004
Q7	60	1,047	0.2	0.2	0.003
Q8	60	637	0.1	0.16	0.005

		1,046	0.2		
Q9	60	223	0.1	0.18	0.003
		676	0.2		
Q10	60	456	0.2	0.2	0.002
Total					0.155

Source: JICA Survey Team

II)Ditch Capacity

Ditch Type: U300 can be applied for slopes more than 2%.

Slope	Ditch Flow Volume (m ³ /sec)	Outflow Volume from Embankment Area (m ³ /sec)	Estimation
10%	0.368	0.155	OK
5%	0.260		OK
3%	0.202		OK
2%	0.165		OK
1%	0.116		NG

Source: JICA Survey Team

Table 2.2.24 Coefficients of Discharge

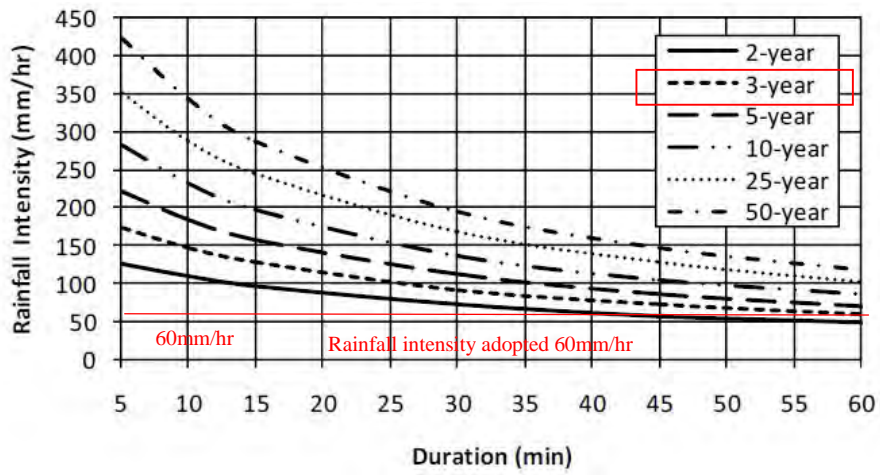
Ground Surface		Runoff Coefficient		
Road surface	Pavement	0.70~0.95		
	gravel road	0.30~0.70		
Road shoulder, slope	Fine soil	0.40~0.65		
	Gravels	0.10~0.30		
	Hard rock	0.70~0.85		
	Soft rock	0.50~0.75		
Grass surface	Sandy soil	Gradient 0~2%	0.05~0.10	Flat place of fill Q4~Q 10 : 0.1
		2~7%	0.10~0.15	
		7% or more	0.15~0.20	Slope of fill Q4~Q 10 : 0.2
	Fine soil	Gradient 0~2%	0.13~0.17	Ground Q1~Q3 : 0.5
		2~7%	0.18~0.22	
		7% or more	0.25~0.35	
Housetop		0.75~0.95		
Empty land		0.20~0.40		
Park with many grass and trees		0.10~0.25		
Low sloping mountainous land		0.20~0.4		
High sloping mountainous land		0.40~0.60		
Paddy field, water surface		0.70~0.80		
	Glebe	0.10~0.30		

Source: Manual for Road Earthwork ,Japan Road Association

Table 2.2.25 Design Rainfall at Each Area

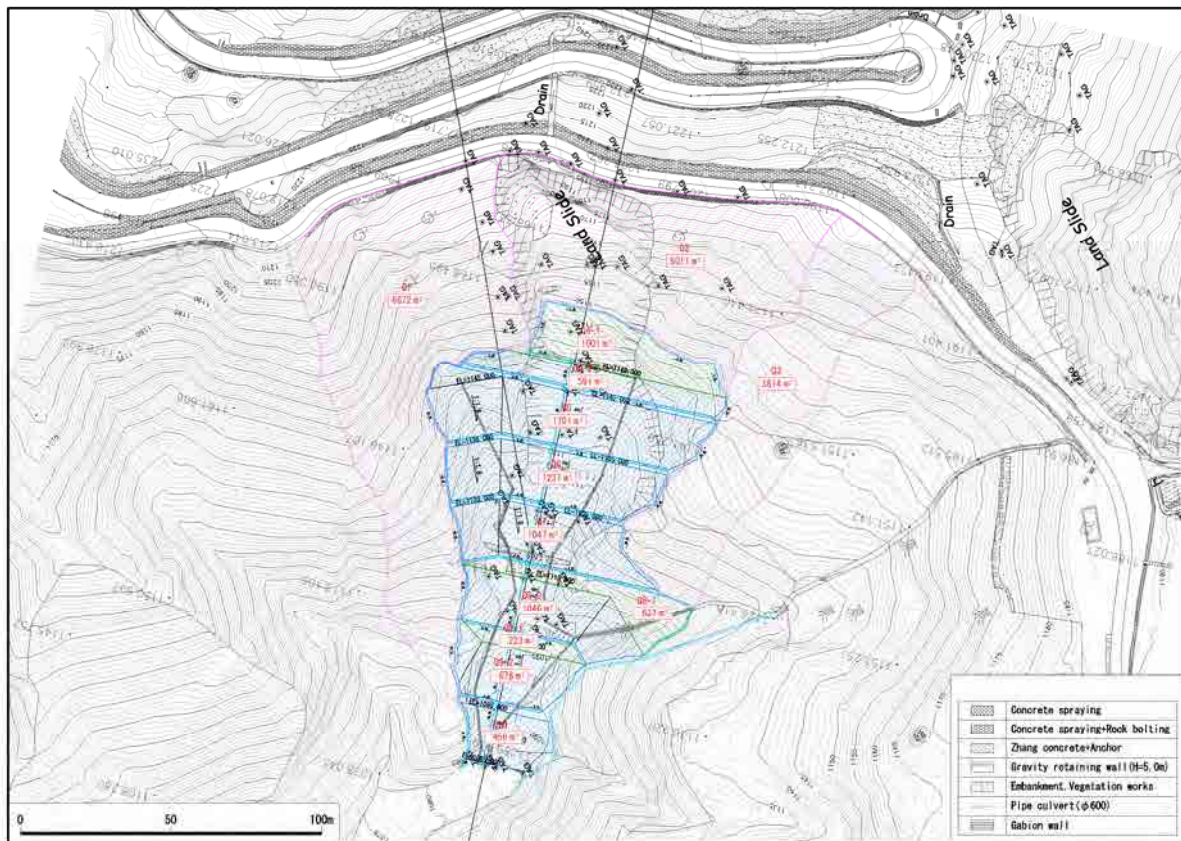
Station	Return Period (year)					
	2	3	5	10	25	50
Sindhuli Gadhi	169	206	245	300	368	423
Nepalthok	86	106	126	154	190	218
Hariharpur Gadhi	173	215	261	325	407	475
Melung	72	86	102	124	151	172

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III



Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III

Figure 2.2.28 IDF Curves of Nepalthok



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.29 Basin Zone in Embankment Area

(2) Temporary Road

1) Basic Design Policy

A temporary road will be constructed to carry banking materials for Landslide B at Sta. 17+600. Dump trucks will be used for material transportation. The Design Forest Road Guidelines of the Japan Forest Road Association is applied, as shown in Table 2.2.26.

Table 2.2.26 Design Standards for Temporary Road

Item	Standard of Design	Summary
Standard Width	3.0 m (Total Width: 4.0 m)	
Vertical Gradient	14.0% (20%)	() This value shows possible by short interval.
Minimum Radius of Horizontal Curvature	R=15 m (R=7 m)	() This value shows the range of the hairpin.
Interval of Passing Place	Appropriate from sight	

Source: JICA Survey Team

2) Preconditions for Construction

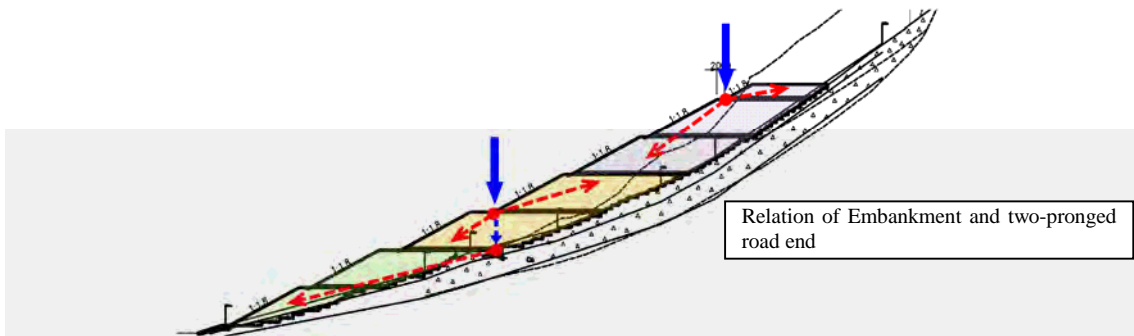
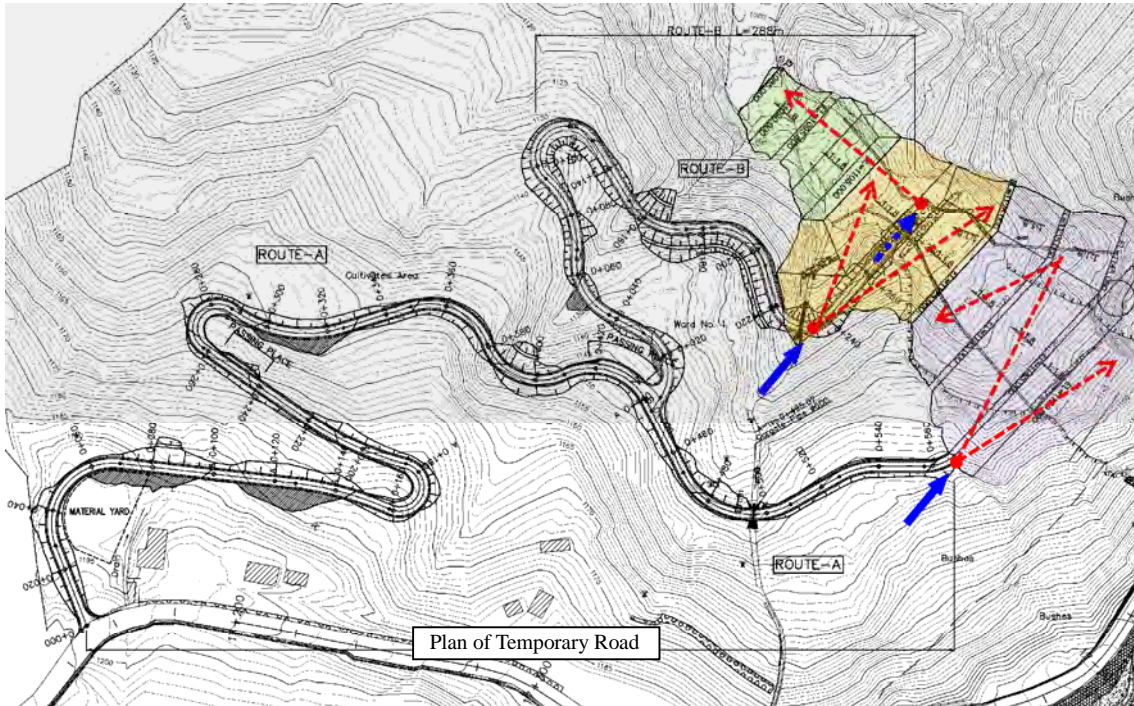
Since the topographical and geological conditions of the temporary road are very severe and complicated, it will be optional for the contractor to be responsible for construction and maintenance. The temporary road should be restored to its original state after completion of the Project.

3) Plan for the Temporary Road

Considering the topography and houses within the site, the starting point of the temporary road is planned at the vicinity of Sta. 17+150. The route is planned to avoid steep slopes in order to minimize the vertical gradient and topographical irregularities. Also, as the height of the embankment at Sta. 17+600 extends more than 60 m, the end of the route has a two-pronged fork.

Drainage is not planned as the road is a temporary structure. However, considering a steep vertical gradient and intense rainfall, rubble pavement, shoulder protection by sandbags and wide drainages are planned for protection against erosion. Furthermore, temporary pipes are planned for two existing drainage crossings.

Figure 2.2.30 shows the plan of the temporary road.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.30 Plan of the Temporary Road

2.2.3.3 STA. 18+200

(1) Road Realignment Plan

1) Horizontal Alignments

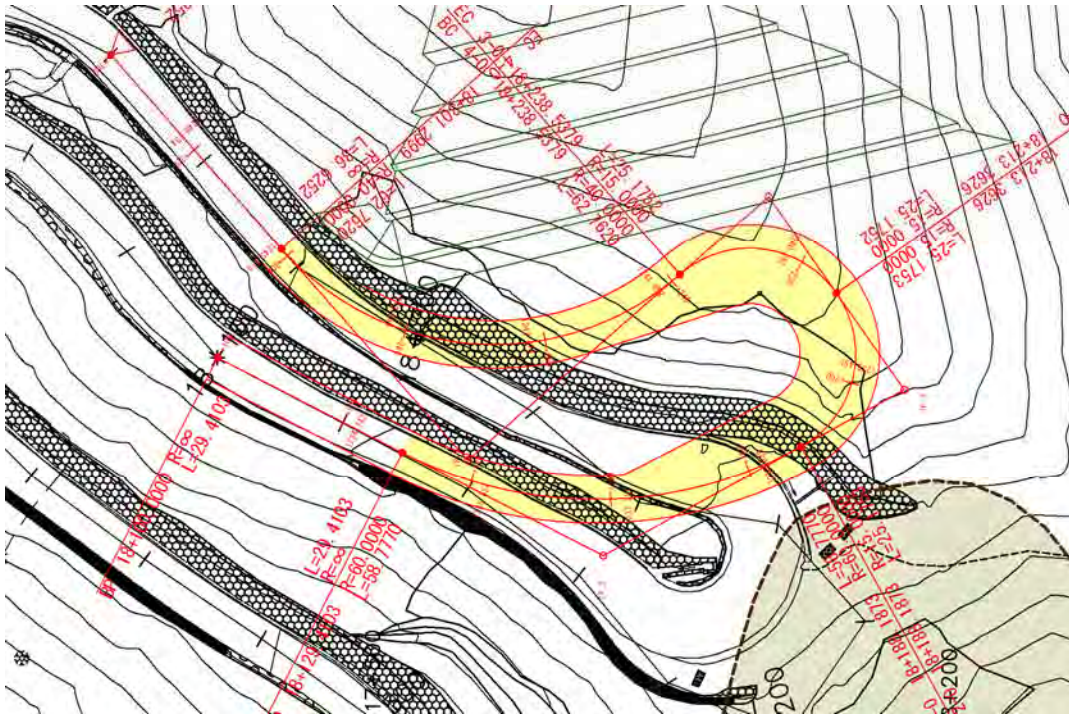
The road will be realigned to comply with the three policies below.

- Safety for Slope Failure Affecting the Exit Road
 - To secure safe and stable traffic function
 - Selection of the most suitable combination of vertical grade and horizontal radius curve was done considering traffic safety.
- The following horizontal alignment plans which are isolated 5 m from the landslide area are compared as shown in Table 2.2.28.

-Case-A: Inside Realignment Plan

-Case-B: Mountain Side Realignment Plan. (Refer to Figure 2.2.31)

As a result, it was judged that Case-B is more reasonable because the incline of its hairpin curve is gentler than that of Case-A.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.31 Realignment Road Plan (Mountain Side Shift)

2) Longitudinal Gradient Plan

Longitudinal gradient of the realignment road is planned to avoid the combination of a hairpin curve and a steep longitudinal gradient considering the longitudinal gradient of the back and front section. Especially at the hairpin curve portion, the longitudinal gradient is planned to be below 5% which is gentler than the regulation of 8% in the Road Structural Criteria of the Japan Road Association.

The three cases for the longitudinal realignment plan are shown in Table 2.2.27. Moreover, it has been judged that Case-1 is the most reasonable based on traffic safety, drivability and alignment balance.

Table 2.2.27 Comparison of Vertical Grade

	Case-1	Case-2	Case-3
Summary (Vertical Grade)	Plan of the 5% vertical slope of the hairpin curve (I = 5.0% ⇄ 8.0%)	Plan of the 4% vertical slope of the hairpin curve (I = 5.4% ⇄ 4.0% ⇄ 8.8%)	Plan of the original 4.5% vertical slope (I = 4.5% ⇄ 7.9%)
Parameter (Hairpin)	Curve Radius : 15 m Vertical Slope : 5.0% (<5%) Super-elevation : 6.0% (<6%) Combined Gradient : 7.8% (<8%)	Curve Radius : 15 m Vertical Slope : 4.0% (<5%) Super-elevation : 6.0% (<6%) Combined Gradient : 7.2% (<8%)	Curve Radius : 15 m Vertical Slope : 4.5% (<5%) Super-elevation : 6.0% (<6%) Combined Gradient : 7.5% (<8%)
Advantages and Disadvantages	The vertical section incline of the hairpin curve is superior in terms of safety and drivability by becoming 5%.	The vertical slope of the hairpin curve is gentle. However, due to the steep grade and waviness in the front and back, the curve has poor drivability.	The hairpin curve was inferior to safety as some parts have steep grade.
Result	✓ Adoption		

Source: JICA Survey Team

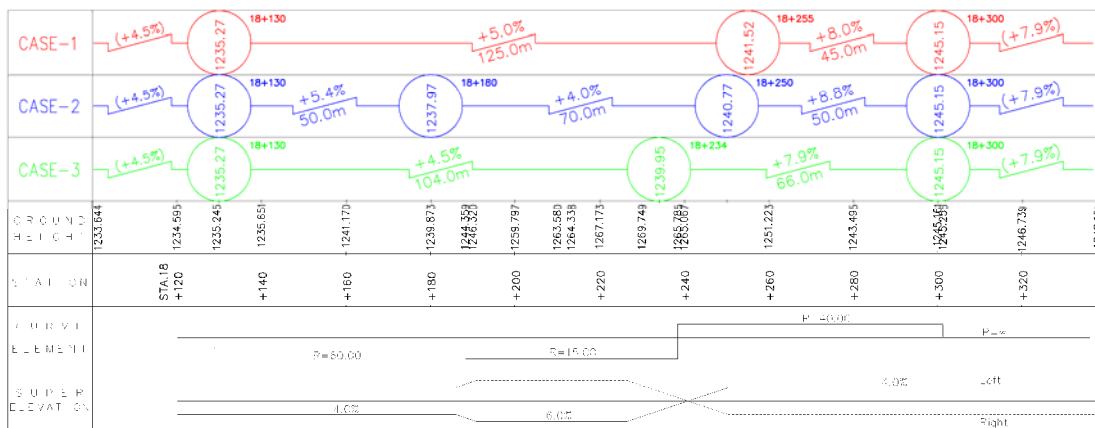
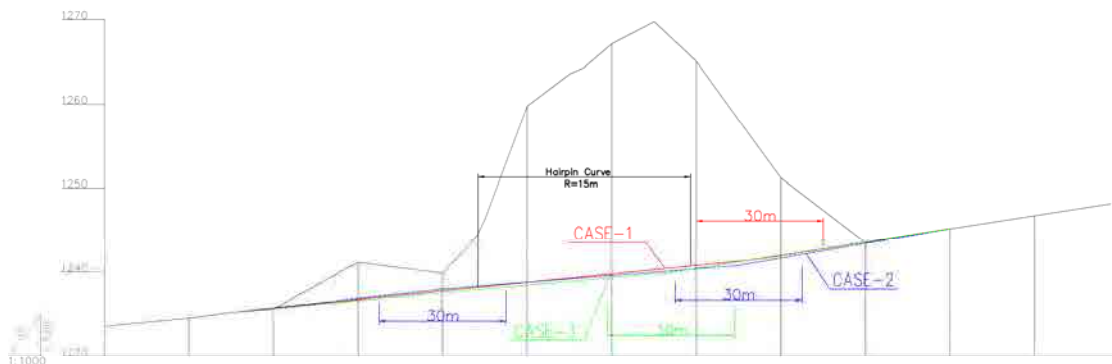
Comparative Table of The Road Realignment (Sta.18+200)

Source: JICA Survey Team

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	Case-A Inside Realignment Plan The compact hairpin inward, away from the line to ensure decay	Case-B Mountain Side Realignment Plan Shift hairpin mountain, away from the line to ensure decay		
Plan Overview Diagram				
Evaluation	Comment			
	Cost	Costs are almost equal with Case-B	Cost	Costs are almost equal with Case-A
	Design	The Vertical Grade of Hairpin Curve becomes the steep grade with 8%	Design	The Vertical Grade of Hairpin Curve, can be less than 5%
	Workability	Not problem in particular	Workability	Not problem in particular
	Safety	Inferior to safety for a steep grade in hairpin curve	Safety	Excellent safety by gentle grade in hairpin curve
	Maintenance	Road alignment have not enough margin from the landslide	Maintenance	Road alignment have some margin from the landslide
Remarks	Cost is almost equal with Case-B. But Design and Safety are not excellent by steep grade (about 8%). Therefore, this plan is not adopted by the comprehensive evaluation with Case-B.		Cost is almost equal with Case-A. Design and Safety are excellent by gentle grade (about 8%), and driver's Line-of-Sight is no problem. In addition, road alignment have some margin from the landslide. Therefore, this plan is adopted by the comprehensive evaluation with Case-A.	
Decision			✓ Adoption	

Table 2.2.28 Alignment Comparison List



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.32 Vertical Grade Plans

3) Geometric Design

The geometry plan of the road structure is based on the design standards of Sindhuli Road Sections II, III and IV, as shown in Table 2.2.29.

Table 2.2.29 Adoption of Geometry

Item	Adoption	Section II	Remarks
Design Speed	20 km/h	20 km/h	Sections III and IV: 20~40 km/h
Standard Width	4.75 m	4.75 m	Common
Cross Slope	4%	4% (Gravel) 2.5% (DBST)	The cross slope is 4% with DBST in current section
Superelevation	6%	6%	Hairpin curve: 6% Other curve: Omit (4%)
Min. Radius of Horizontal Curve	15 m	15 m	40km/h : 45m 30km/h : 25m 20km/h : 15m
Widening of Curve	2.25 m (R=15)	R=30: 0.00 m R=25: 0.50 m R=20: 1.00 m R=15: 2.25 m	Mortar semitrailer
Min. Radius of Vertical Curve	300 m	300 m	
Ave. Vertical Grade	7%	7%	
Max. Vertical Grade	10% (300 m)	10% (300 m)	Max. 150 m Adjacent vicinity is 4%
Taper of Superelevation	1/50	1/50	30 km/h : 1/75 20 km/h : 1/50

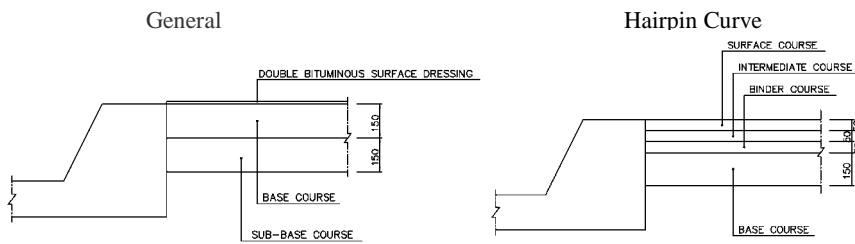
Taper of Widening	1/10	1/10	30 km/h : 1/15 20 km/h : 1/10
Sight Distance	40 m	40 m	20 m×2 (Single Lane)

Source: JICA Survey Team

4) Pavement

The existing road is paved with DBST on the general section, and with asphalt on the hairpin curve, which has no problem at present. Therefore, the road pavement adopts the same method as that of the existing road: DBST on the general section which is excellent in workability and less expensive, and asphalt on the hairpin curve. Incidentally, concrete pavement is difficult to construct because there are no detours to allow the curing of fresh concrete.

Figure 2.2.33 shows the structure adopted for the pavement.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.33 Structure of Pavement

5) Drainage

The existing road drainage system needs to be partially improved. The quantity of storm runoff is calculated based on the Road Earthwork Drainage Guidelines of the Japan Road Association. Moreover, the road drainage format is applied for drainage structures.

Side ditch is more than 45 cm deep, with the bottom at least 40 cm wide and the cross pipe with a minimum diameter of 60 cm. The drainage of cut slope is connected to the central drainage by adjustment of the benchmark gradient. The adopted vertical drainage is 60 cm wide, which will be used as maintenance pathway.

- Quantity of Storm Runoff

Runoff calculation was made using the rational formula given below. Velocity was calculated using Manning's formula.

$$Q = 1/3.6 \times C \times I \times A$$

- Q : Peak rain runoff (m³/s)
- C : Runoff coefficient
- I : Rainfall intensity (mm/hour)
- A : Catchment area (km²)

- Return Period

Table 2.2.30 Return Period for Drainage Facilities

Facility Type	Return Period (Year)
Side ditch	3

Source: JICA Survey Team

- Runoff Coefficient

The runoff coefficient was calculated based on the Road Earthwork Drainage Guidelines of the Japan Road Association. It was set to 0.4 because of the steep geographical feature of the area.

- Rainfall Intensity

The values of the rainfall intensity curve at Sindhuli Gadhi are as shown in Table 2.2.31.

Table 2.2.31 Values of the Rainfall Intensity Curve at Sindhuli Gadhi

Return Period	2	3	5	10	25	50
Rainfall Intensity (mm/day)	169	206	245	300	368	423

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III

- Drainage Capacity

Quantity of rain runoff				Drainage Capacity							
No	Area (m ²)	Sum A(m ²)	Quantity Qo(m ³ /s)	No	Form	Sec-Area A(m ²)	Hydraulic Radius R(m)	Roughness n	Inclination i(%)	Capacity Qa(m ³ /s)	Safe rate
1	17,100										
2	4,600	21,700	0.497	A	U-750	0.180	0.161	0.015	5.0%	0.793	1.60
			0.497	B	φ600	0.283	0.150	0.013	6.0%	1.507	3.03
3	4,300										
4	6,400	32,400	0.742	C	U-750	0.180	0.161	0.015	5.0%	0.793	1.07

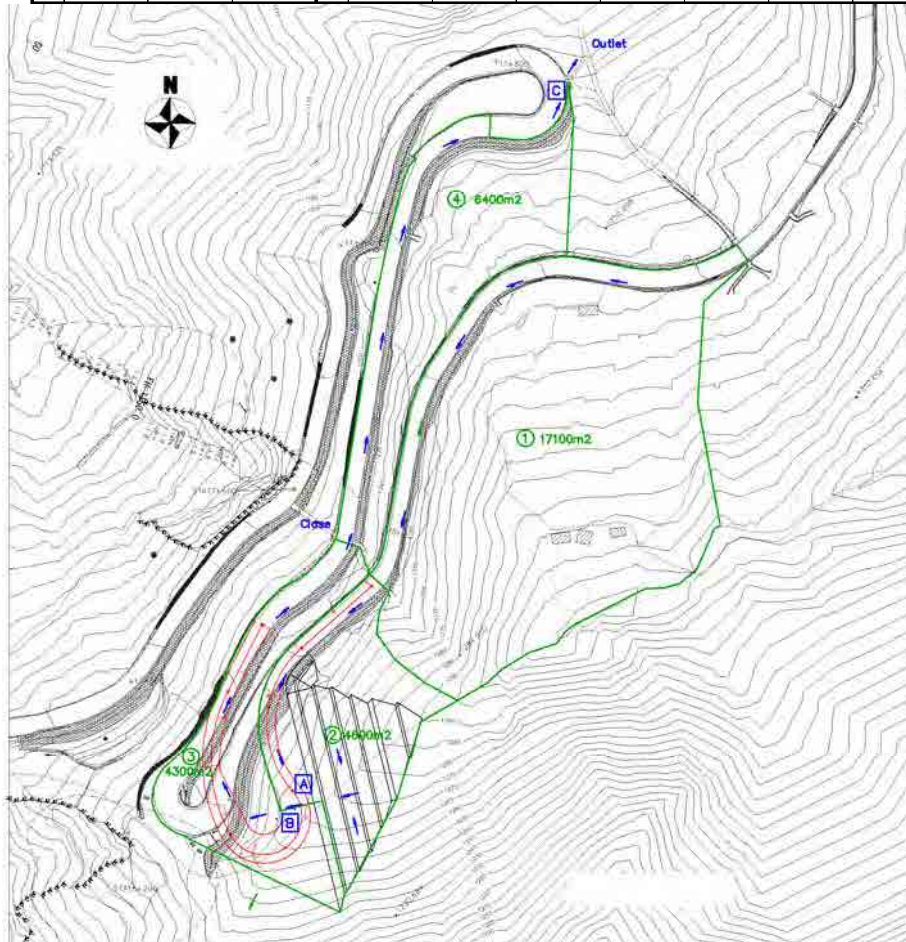


Figure 2.2.34 Catchment Area and Drain System

Source: JICA Survey Team

6) Concepts of Earthworks

The slope works plan was formulated based on the following concepts, which are also responses to the review comments from the JICA Council for the Project:

- Apply as much vegetation as possible to stable rocks and soil slopes
- In case cutting on stable slopes is large-scale, the grade should be steeper and slopes should have slope protection structures
- Adopt as much as possible slope protection works, which are applied widely in Nepal
- No protection works will be applied to small-scale stable rock slopes to save costs

7) Slope Grades to be Adopted

The slope grades for the cutting slope in Sections II and III were set based on the standards for the slope grade shown in Table 2.2.32. In the Project, elastic wave exploration was conducted by

the Study Team. The elastic wave velocity of the cutting area is about 1.0 km/s, and it was found out that the ground around the cutting slope is not good. The stable grade is set to 1:1.2 in accordance with the scatter graph shown in Figure 2.2.35.

Table 2.2.32 Standard Slope Grades for Cutting

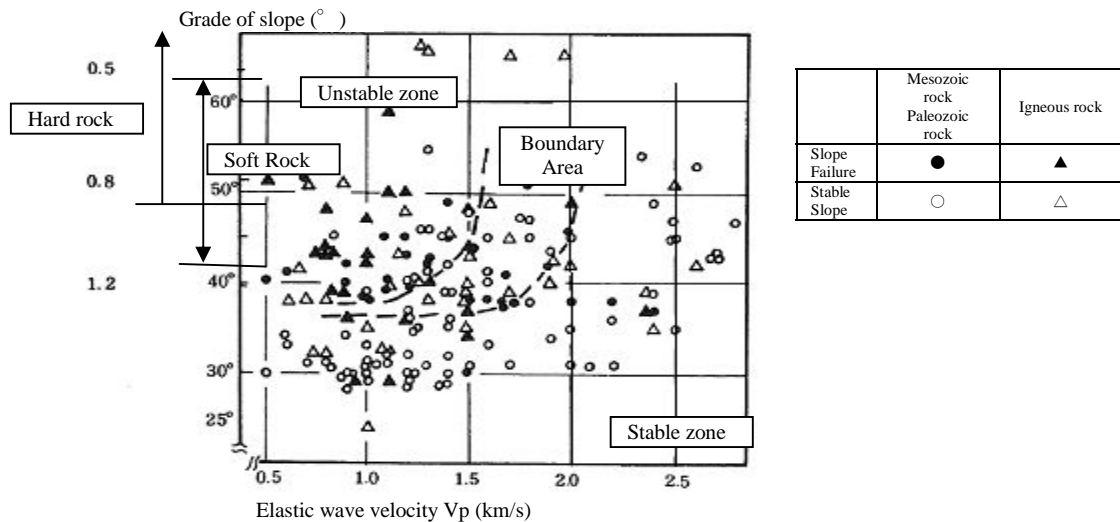
Type of Slopes		Grade
Rock		1:0.3 - 1:0.8
Soft Rock		1:0.5 - 1:1.2
Sandy Soil	Dense	1:0.8 - 1:1.0
	Loose	1:1.0 - 1:1.2
Gravel, Soil	Dense	1:0.8 - 1:1.0
	Loose	1:1.0 - 1:1.2

Note: Except for special cases, such as failure-prone slopes and large slopes.
Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

Table 2.2.33 Slope Grades and Geological Conditions for the Cutting Slope

Mark	Geological Classification		Classified Slope Grade
	Major Classification	Minor Classification	
A	Soil	Colluviums (Gravel)	1:0.8 - 1:1.2
B	Soil	Colluviums (Soil)	1:1.0 - 1:1.5
C	Soil	Terrace Deposit (Red soil)	1:1.0 - 1:1.5
D	Soil	Terrace Deposit (Rock, Gravel)	1:0.6 - 1:1.0
E	Soft Rock	Hardly Weathered Slate	1:0.6 - 1:1.2
F	Soft Rock	Weathered and Joint Developed Slate	1:0.5 - 1:0.8
G	Rock	Slate	1:0.3 - 1:0.5
H	Soft Rock	Hardly Weathered Schist, Phyllite	1:0.8 - 1:1.2
I	Soft Rock	Weathered and Joint Developed Schist, Phyllite	1:0.5 - 1:1.0
J	Rock	Schist, Phyllite	1:0.3 - 1:0.5

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III



Source: Manual for Slope Protection, Japan Road Association

Figure 2.2.35 Slope Stability (Elastic Wave Velocity-Slope Grade)

8) Configuration of Slope (Slope Height, Width of Cat Walk and Drainage on Cat Walk)
According to the design for Section II, the slope height and the width of cat walk are 7 m and 1.5 m, respectively. However, the total slope height was planned at 50 m. Therefore, the cat walk, which is 2 m wide, is set with a single step in this slope. It is basic policy that surface drainage follows a natural flow.

9) Vegetation
Vegetation was selected in accordance with the slope categories and characteristics for Section II

as shown Table 2.2.34. At Sta. 18+200, the designed slope has seven steps. The two upper slopes are cut with a stable grade, so that such would not be vegetated since plants are expected to spread from adjacent areas. The slope of the three to six upper steps will be cut to have a 1:0.8 grade. However, a grade of 1:0.8 is not suitable for vegetation. Crib works designed to prevent slope failure become the base of vegetation, so it will be protected by sandbags.

Table 2.2.34 Vegetation Objectives and Land Use

Slope Classification	Embankment		Cutting					
	Slope Characteristics	Easy to be eroded	Stable to an erosion	Soil		Soft Rock		Rock
Easy to be eroded				Stable to an erosion	Easy to be eroded and weathered	Stable to an erosion and weathering	Many Cracks and possible rock fall	Stable rock or keepled stable slope
Geology	B,C	A,D	B,C	A,D	E,F,H,I		G,J	
No Protection Work								⊙
Vegetation	Sodding	○	○	○	○	○	○	
	Stepped sodding			○	○	○	○	
	Grass striping	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
	Sodding with straw	○	○	○	○			
	Tree planting	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
	Planting tree cuttings	○	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙	
	Earthbags with sodding	○	○	○	○			
Structure	Wet masonry	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	○
	Cast-in-place concrete crib (earth-filled)	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	
	Cast-in-place concrete crib (stone-filled)	⊙		⊙	○	⊙	○	
	Shotcrete					○		⊙
	Earth reinforcing					○		⊙
	Gabion fencing	⊙	○	⊙	○	⊙		
fencing	○	○	○	○	○	○		

Legend) ⊙:Use ○:Occasional use

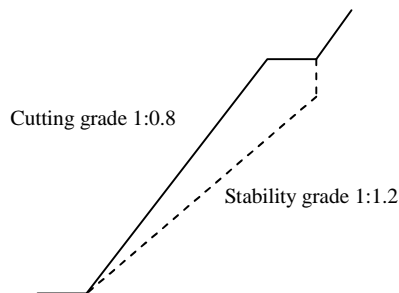
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- ① In case it is impossible to secure stable slope by vegetation only, structure will be adopted.
- ② In case of possible rock-fall, rock-fall prevention work will be considered.
- ③ In case of topographical restriction, geotextile reinforced earth wall will be considered.

Source: Basic Design Study Report on the Project for Construction of Sindhuli Road Section III

10) Reinforced Earth Method

The stability grade of the slope at Sta.18+200 is 1:1.2. However, the design grade needed at Sta. 18+200 is 1:0.8 in order to mitigate environmental impacts. Therefore, reinforced earth method for this slope is needed. The slope failure forms a delta from the stability grade of 1:1.2 and cutting grade of 1:0.8, as shown in Figure 2.2.36. The depth of slope failure is about 2 m. The dimensions of the reinforced earth method follows the experimental design method described in the Manual for Slope Protection by the Japan Road Association as shown in Table 2.2.35. Rock bolts with lengths of 3 m are adopted because the depth of slope failure is about 2 m.



Source: JICA Survey Team

Figure 2.2.36 Model of Slope Failure

Table 2.2.35 Experimental Design Method

Items	Dimensions
Hole of drilling	More than 65 mm
Diameter of rock bolt	D19-D25
Length of rock bolt	2-3 m
Density of rock bolt	1 lod per 2 m ²
Degree	Right angle to slope
The 2 m rock bolts are adopted for slope failures with depths of 1 m, while 3 m rock bolts are adopted for slope failures with depths of 2 m.	

Source: Manual for Slope Protection, JRA

11) Retaining Wall

Retaining walls are arranged to support the cut slope necessary for road realignment. Considering the height of walls and the geological conditions of the slope, the structure of the wet masonry wall to be applied would be either Type-A or Type-B, as shown in Figure 2.2.37.

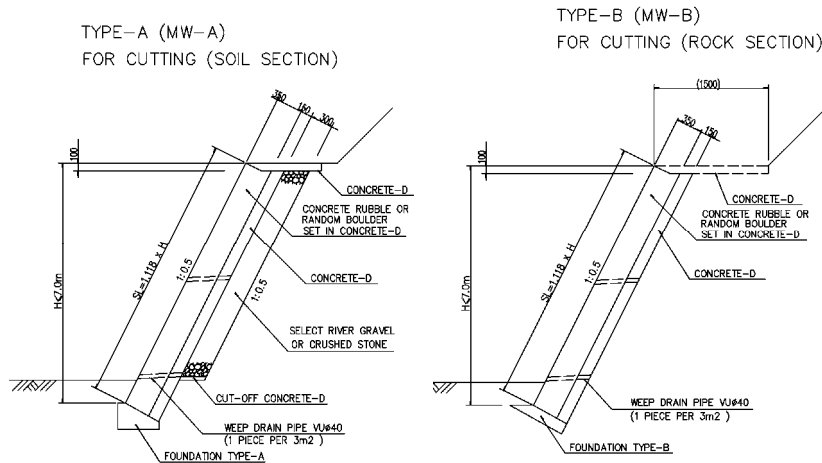


Figure 2.2.37 Wet Stone Masonry Wall (Type-A and Type-B)

Source: JICA Survey Team

12) Traffic Safety Facilities

Concrete barriers and delineators are planned for traffic safety and accident prevention. Delineators are installed on the hairpin curve where there are existing guard blocks with enough flat space. Table 2.2.36 shows the concepts of concrete barriers and delineators.

Table 2.2.36 Concept of Guard Blocks and Delineators

Safety Facility for Traffic	Remarks
Delineator	-General section -The placement interval will be set up depending on the curvature (minimum of 5 m)
Concrete barriers L-shape pre-cast concrete	-The curve section of valley side convex -Accident-prone sections with steep slopes and large height difference - Zigzag sections which may cause accidents leading to serious damages.
Concrete barriers for warning to width reduction	-Locations where there is width reduction, such as at causeways.

Source: JICA Survey Team

13) Demolition of Existing Structure

Road realignment may require removal of existing structures such as retaining walls and drainage. The scope of the demolition is minimal. Reinforced retaining walls and concrete barriers will be left for traffic security and stability.

14) Erosion Prevention Works

At Sta. 18+200, surface failures have occurred intermittently because of steep slopes and loosen geology. Moreover, steep slopes experience runoffs during the rainy season, which erode the surface. There is a high possibility that such surface erosion would destabilize Landslide C. Therefore, erosion prevention works are planned.

Construction condition is not good, therefore the adopted method is limited. Also, a high-intensity net that meets the requirements below is selected.

-The method is limited due to the steep slope. Also, Landslide C has been moving intermittently, thus construction has been done using safety loops and not scaffoldings.

-The slope experiences runoffs during the rainy season, therefore open type channels and structures should be adopted.

-Since the slope is loose, the surface is possible to move, therefore flexible structures should be adopted.

- The scale of slope failure is 1-2 m, therefore structures have to be designed to accommodate such scale of failure.

2.2.4 OUTLINE DESIGN DRAWING

The scale of the Project facility is as listed in Table 2.2.37, with the layout shown in Appendix-5.8.

Table 2.2.37 List of the Project Facility Scale

Area	Item	Contents&Scale	Purpose
Landslide countermeasure (Landslide A and LandslideB)	Ground anchors	Length of construction: 50 m Pieces: 120 Length: 9.5-14.0 m, $\Sigma L=1400$ m	To deter the occurrence of landslide A which can reach up to 50 m (Sta.17+555-Sta.17+605) and cause cracks on the road.
	Crib works F500	A=1,300 m ² , Shotcrete within crib works:	
	Crib works F300	A=300 m ² ,	
	Shotcrete	A=2,200 m ²	To prevent infiltration of surface water.
	Embankment	Embankment volume: V=76,000 m ³ Vegetation: A=7,600 m ² Drainage Closed conduit: L=350 m Open ditch (ground): L=350 m Open ditch (embankment): L=650 m Catch basin: Q=12	Countermeasure against Landslide B.
Realignment (Landslide C)	Road length	L=170 m	Countermeasure against Landslide C. The road is realignment to avoid Landslide B. Road will be realigned in the stability zone. Road alignment and travel performance is improved. Excavation at Sta.18+200 will be used as embankment material in Landslide B .
	Width of Road	W=4.75 m	
	Design speed	20 km/hr (without hairpin curve)	
	Earthworks	V=76,000 m ³ (diversion to embankment)	
	Pavement	Pavement: A=500 m ² , DBST: 500 m ²	
	Crib works F300	A=2,300 m ² Sandbags within the crib works: 7,400 bags	
	Rock bolt	560 lods, $\Sigma L=1,700$ m	
	Retaining wall	A=1,000 m ²	
	Drainage	Drainage on the road: 200 m Drainage on the cat walk: 350 m Vertical drainage: 50 m Pipe culvert: 10 m Catch basin: Q=3	
	Guard fence	Q=30	
Erosion prevention works	High-intensity net	High-intensity net: A=5,500 m ² Rock bolt: 1700 lods, $\Sigma L=5,100$ m	To protect the unstable slope, that is unstable, the road will be installed with high intensity nets and rock bolts.

Source: JICA Survey Team

2.2.5 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

2.2.5.1 IMPLEMENTATION POLICY

The implementation plan of the Project was prepared based on the guidelines of Japan's grant aid with consideration of the site conditions. The policies for implementation are summarized as follows:

- Maximize the use of local labor and construction materials for the Project for the purposes of strengthening the regional economy, generating job opportunities and promoting capacity development.
- Avoid traffic accidents caused by construction vehicles and minimize negative impacts

of the Project against public transportation services.

- Minimize negative impacts to the surrounding environment such as traffic accidents, noise, vibration, exhaust gas, and dust, considering the existence of many villages and cultivated lands around the site.

2.2.5.2 IMPLEMENTATION CONDITIONS

(1) Labor Law

The contractor should manage its laborers properly with an adequate safety control plan, and should prevent conflicts with local laborers. In any circumstance, the contractor should abide by the labor laws and regulations enforced in Nepal.

(2) Traffic Control and Safety Management During Construction

The Project involves road construction with maximum utilization of the existing Sindhuli Road. The traffic volume on the road includes a combination of common and construction vehicles. Therefore, flagmen must be designated to control the movement of vehicles and secure smooth and safe traffic.

Furthermore, traffic signs should be installed at access-restricted and traffic-controlled locations to avoid accidents within the working area. Public relations on safety should be actively implemented as well.

There are possible danger zones at the site due to steep topography, cutting in narrow working spaces, deep structure excavations at valley side, etc. Therefore, rock-fall prevention works, installation of safety fences and designation of access-restricted areas should be carried out.

(3) Consideration for Surrounding Environment and Residents

It is required to consider the surrounding environment and its residents in order to minimize the negative impacts due to construction. The following measures are to be conducted:

- Low speed driving of construction vehicles (maximum speed of 10 km/hr)
- Use of low-noise and low-vibration types of generators

(4) Construction During the Rainy Season

Dangerous works on the steep slope, such as high intensity net works at Sta. 18+200, should be avoided during the rainy season. It is necessary to formulate a construction schedule assuming that works cannot progress during the rainy season.

(5) Transportation of Construction Materials to the Site

All construction materials will be transported along Sindhuli Bazar Road. Under this condition, the supply of construction materials must be ensured since it greatly influences the progress of construction. Hence, it is necessary to provide a transportation route in Sindhuli Road.

(6) Important Items on Quality Control

The life span of countermeasures depends much on the quality of the main structures of the Project such as anchoring materials and concrete structures. Therefore, the quality of anchoring materials and concrete should be controlled with great care.

2.2.5.3 SCOPE OF WORKS

The revised scope of works to be undertaken by the GOJ and GON are as shown in Table 2.2.38.

Table 2.2.38 Scope of Works undertaken by GOJ and GON

Responsibilities of GOJ	Responsibilities of GON
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consulting services for detailed design, preparation of tender documents, assistance to DOR in tender process, and construction supervision - Construction of countermeasures in the drawings - Installation and removal of temporary facilities (construction yard) - Protective measures against environmental pollution during the execution of construction works - Procurement, import and transport of equipment and materials required for the improvement works and re-export of imported equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free provision of site (land), temporary facilities and other construction activities for the execution of works - Execution of environmental monitoring - Compensation to private houses and land around the site - Removal and relocation of existing public utilities - Free provision of traffic control and management for existing roads - Execution of traffic safety awareness training for local residents, students, bus passengers and driver, and police officers - Proper O&M for all completed facilities - Advice and support to local residents for effective use of vacant land

Source: JICA Survey Team

2.2.5.4 CONSULTANT SUPERVISION

(1) Supervision

After signing of the Exchange of Notes (E/N) and Grant Agreement (G/A) between GON and GOJ regarding the detailed design, construction work and consulting services, JICA would recommend the consultant to carry out the detailed engineering design and preparation of tender documents.

The consultant would assist DOR in the tender process for construction work, i.e., pre-qualification, tender opening and evaluation, and subsequent negotiation, to conclude the contract between DOR and the successful tender.

The engineering services for construction supervision will commence with the acceptance of the construction contract and the issuance of a Notice to Proceed (N/P) to the contractor.

The consultant shall perform the duties in accordance with the criteria and standards applicable to the construction works and shall exercise the authority as designated engineer under the contract, to supervise the works of the contractor.

The consultant, within its capacity as the engineer, shall directly report to DOR and JICA Nepal Office on site activities, and issue field memos or letters to the contractor concerning various matters, including progress, quality, safety and payment for the works under the Project. In addition, the consultant shall report to the Embassy of Japan in Kathmandu, when required.

After one year from the completion of construction, the final inspection for defects liability shall be conducted as the final task of the consultant.

(2) Implementation Organization

The resident engineer will be basically stationed at the construction site and will conduct both construction supervision and project management. The designated specialists are as follows:

- Chief Engineer

In charge of coordination and liaison for all project activities concerning consultant's agreement, tender assistance and supervision in order to ensure the smooth progress and management of all technical aspects.

- Resident Engineer

Constantly remain on-site during the construction period to execute coordination and liaison for all the project activities for ensuring smooth the progress and management of all technical aspects. Conduct related activities such as management of materials, quality, safety, routine activities, workmanship, progress, schedule and payment. Moreover, coordination and discussions will be initiated.

- Slope Protection Engineer

Responsible for the quality of related works, such as ground anchor work, rock bolt reinforcement works and high intensity net works; assigned during significant operations; execute engineering judgment; and render advice for the shop drawings of Japanese engineers at the appropriate time, which is necessary since modification after commencement of works is difficult.

- Geotechnical Engineer

Assigned at the beginning, middle and later stages of earth removal works; execute engineering judgment for geological conditions of the cut slope.

2.2.5.5 QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

The quality control plan of the Project follows the quality control plan in the Sindhuli Road Construction Project due to matching standards on the same road. In addition, quality control is conducted in accordance with project specifications and the quality control plan. Quality certificates for purchased materials are required. Moreover, for materials, the quality condition of the contractor and supplier are confirmed for natural materials such as base course materials and aggregates. If it is judged that the quality control condition of a supplier is not sufficient, the consultant must request to revoke the test certificate to a different technical supplier in Nepal or overseas. The quality control plan needed in the Project is as shown in Table 2.2.39.

Table 2.2.39 List of Items for the Quality Control Plan

Item		Test Method	Frequency	
Ground Anchors	Drilling	Degree of drilling	Measurement of Degree	Each anchor
		Length of drilling	Measurement of Length	Each anchor
		Hole Cleaning	Density of Cleaning Water	Each anchor
	Assembling of anchors	Material	Certificate of Quality, Inspection Certificate	Each delivery
		Assembling	Measurement of Length	Each anchor
	Insert		Measurement of Length	
	Injection	Material	Certificate of Quality, Result of Physicochemical Test	Each delivery
		Water	Result of Component testing	Each delivery
		Grout density(injection)	Density test (P Float Test)	Each composition
		Injection volume	Measurement of Injection Volume	Each hole
		Grout density(ejection)	Density Test (P Float Test)	Each hole
		Pressure	Measurement of Pressure	Each hole
		Length of head	Measurement of Length	Each hole
		Grout strength	Compressive Strength Test	Each hole

Item		Test Method	Frequency
	Tension and settlement	Degree of set	Measurement of Degree
		Tensioning force	Measurement of Load
		Load-extension	Load-extension Diagram
		Confirmation of Settlement	Multi-cycle Confirmation Test Single-cycle Confirmation Test
			6 anchors 114 anchors
	Treatment of the head	Treatment of the head	Measurement of Anti-corrosion Coating
Crib Works	Material		Certificate of Quality
Concrete	Material	Cement	Quality Guarantee, Chemical & Physical Analysis
		Water	Chemical Analyses
		Admixture	Quality Certificate, Chemical Analyses
		Fine Aggregate	Bulk Specific Dry Gravity, Water Absorption, Sieve Gradation, Fineness Modulus, Clay and Friable Particles
		Coarse Aggregate	Bulk Specific Dry Gravity, Water Absorption, Sieve Gradation, Abrasion, Clay and Friable Particles, Sodium Sulfate Soundness
	Mixing Test	Compressive Strength (Cylinder Mold)	Every material lots, once/half year
	Placing Test	Slump, Temperature, and Air Content	Every source
	Test	Compressive Strength (7 days, 28 days)	Every lot
Re-bar	Material	Mill Sheet, Tensile Strength	Every material site
Base	Mixed Materials	Liquid Limit, Plastic Index, Sieve Gradation, Maximum Dry Density (Compaction)	Every material site
	Placing	Field Density (Compaction)	Every material site
Temporary Road	Material	Certificate of Quality, Feature Size	Every material site
Embankment	Material(Before construction)	Minimum and Maximum Index Density Tests or Compaction Characteristics Tests	At first, as necessary
		Particle-Size Analysis Test	
		Specific Gravity	
		Moisture Content Test	
		Specific Gravity and Water Absorption Test	
		Corrosion Content Test	
		pH Test	As necessary
		Phosphoric Acid Absorption-Index Examination	
	Construction (after construction)	Field Density Test	At first, As necessary
		Field Permeability Test	As necessary
		Soil Hardness Testing	As necessary
Rock Bolt		Certificate of Quality, Feature Size	
High Intensity Net		Certificate of Quality, Feature Size	Each lot

2.2.5.6 PROCUREMENT PLAN

(1) Labor

All kinds of laborers are available to be procured in Nepal and to quote the unit price cost based on the minimum requirement daily basis unit cost for the labors fixed in each district (DCC rate), which is announced every August and September.

Unskilled laborers can be procured near the site. However, particular and advanced skilled laborers in Nepal work in neighboring countries like India as well as in the Middle East, where construction is booming. Therefore, the number of skilled laborers for road construction has become limited in recent years. The assumed locations for procuring main labors are as shown in Table 2.2.40.

Table 2.2.40 Assumed Locations for Procurement of Laborers

List of Laborer	Sindhuli District	Other Districts in Nepal	Japan	Note
Foreman		○		
Skilled Laborer		○		
Common Laborer	○	○		
Rebar Worker		○		
Form Worker		○		
Heavy Equipment Operator		○		
Driver	○	○		
Traffic Controller	○	○		
Guard man	○	○		

Source: JICA Survey Team

(2) Construction Materials

The construction materials available in Nepal include natural materials, such as aggregates, stones, embankment materials, and timber. Cement, reinforcing bars, gabion wires, bituminous material and fuel are also available in local markets in Nepal. However, in order to ensure quality, special and quality items which are not available in the local markets must be imported from Japan. These include such materials used for anchor works, scaffolding, high intensity nets, and crib work frames. The procurement plan for major construction materials is as shown in Table 2.2.41.

Table 2.2.41 Procurement of Construction Materials

Items of Construction Materials	Nepal	Third World Countries (e.g. India)	Japan	Note
Cement	○			Nepalese/Indian products are available
Aggregate (Coarse, Fine), Boulder	○			
Concrete Admixture	○			
Reinforcing Bars	○			Nepalese/Indian products are available
Gabion Wire	○			Export is possible
Bituminous Materials	○			Imported items available
Wood/Plywood	○			
Fuel (Diesel, Gasoline)	○			Imported items available
Materials for Ground Anchor			○	Quality and durability reasons

Materials for Scaffolding			○	Quality and durability reasons
Materials for High Intensity Net			○	Quality and durability reasons
Materials for Crib Work Frame			○	Quality and durability reasons
Plaque Plate on Monument			○	Quality and durability reasons

Source: JICA Survey Team

(3) Construction Equipment

In Nepal, there are no equipment lease companies, and contractors own a limited number of equipment. Therefore, the equipment required for a long-term construction project in the remote area of Sindhuli District will be procured from Japan. The locations for procuring major construction equipment are as shown in Table 2.2.42.

Table 2.2.42 Procurement of Major Construction Equipment

Items of Construction Equipment		Nepal	Third World Countries (e.g. India)	Japan	Note
Bulldozer	21 t			○	
Backhoe	0.8 m ³			○	
Dump Truck	10 t			○	
Vibration Roller	8-10 t			○	
Concrete Batching Plant	30 m ³ /hr			○	
Truck Mixer	4.4 m ³			○	
Boring Machine	55 kW			○	
Aggregate Plant	30 t/hr			○	
Electric Generator	10.5-150 kVA			○	
Air Compressor	3.5-11 m ³ /min			○	

Source: JICA Survey Team

(4) Transportation Path

Construction materials and equipment procured from Japan will be shipped to Kolkata Port and then transported by land. The distance from Kolkata Port to the construction site is about 750 km. The transportation route is as shown in Figure 2.2.38.

2.2.6 SOFT COMPONENT PLAN

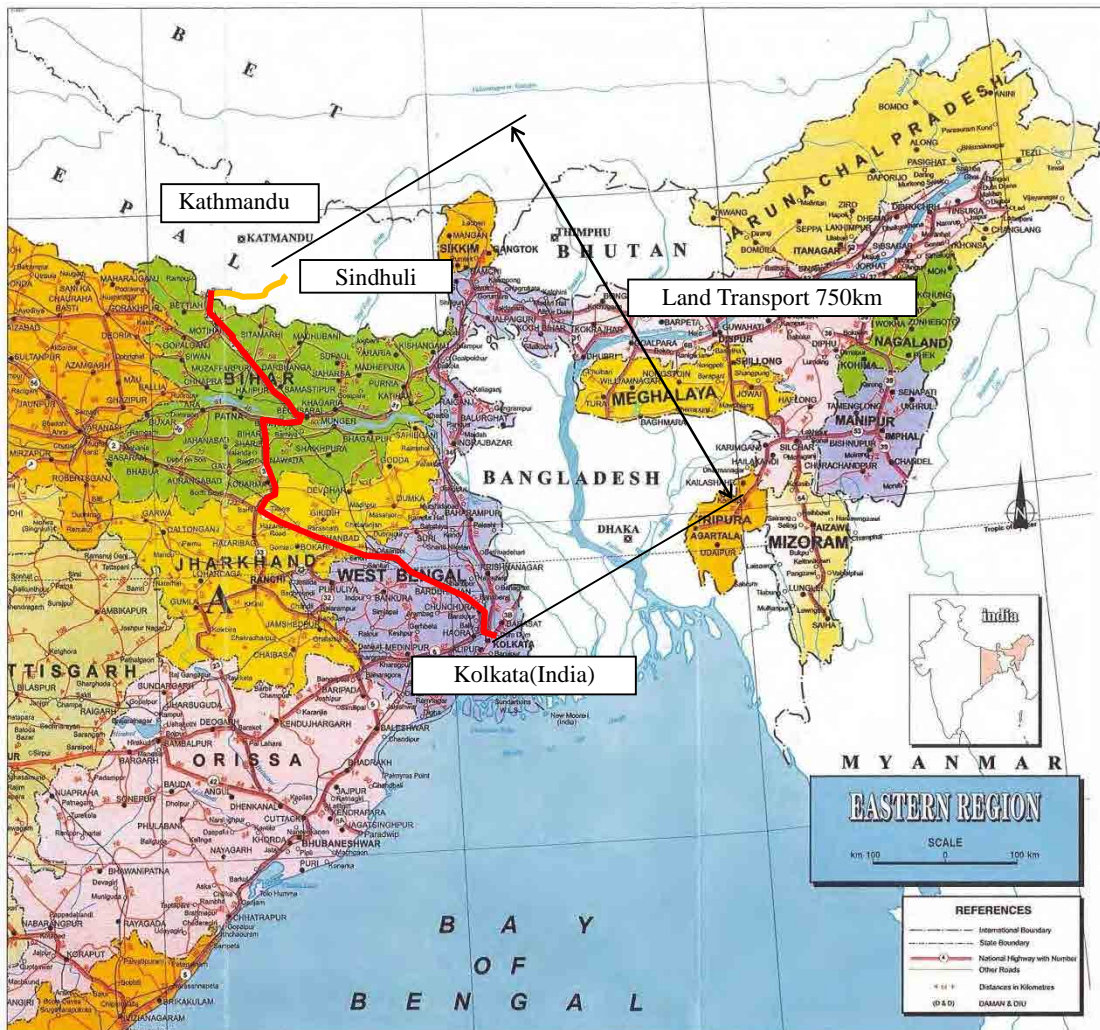
Soft component works will not be implemented.

2.2.7 IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

After the signing of E/N and G/A between GON and GOJ, the consultant will immediately carry out the detailed engineering design and preparation of tender documents for the construction works, under Japan's grant aid scheme. Consulting services for detailed design would be completed in 2.5 months simultaneously in Nepal and Japan.

Initially, the consultant will assist DOR for about four months in the tendering process for construction works, which includes pre-qualification, tender opening and evaluation, and subsequent negotiations to conclude the contract between DOR and the successful tender. The signed contract will then be verified by GOJ.

After issuance of N/P, construction will commence. The estimated duration for construction of the project would be 25 months in total. The tentative implementation schedule is as shown in Table 2.2.43.



Source: India Map by India Tourism Authority (modified by Study Team)

Figure 2.2.38 Transportation Route from Kolkata Port to the Project Site

Table 2.2.43 Tentative Implementation Schedule

Stage		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Detailed Design & Tender Assistance	Site Survey	■																								
	Detailed Design in Japan		■	■																						
	Preparation of Tender Documents in Japan			■	■																					
	Approval of Tender Documents				■																					
	Preparation of Tender Documents in Japan					■																				
	Tender and Contract							■																		
Construction	Preparation & Mobilization	■																								
	Sta.17+600		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
	Sta.18+200			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
	Demobilization																									■

Source: JICA Survey Team

2.3 OBLIGATIONS OF RECIPIENT COUNTRY

2.3.1 COMMON ITEMS OF JAPAN'S AID SCHEME

For the smooth implementation of the Project, the government of the recipient country should fulfill the following undertakings:

To provide necessary data and information for the implementation of the Project;

To secure land necessary for the Project site (for the road, spoil bank, borrow pit, construction yard and storage of materials and equipment);

To clear, level and reclaim land prior to the commencement of the Project;

To conduct access restriction to the site and to maintain security;

To open a bank account under the government's name, in a bank in Japan (B/A), and issue the authorization to pay (A/P);

To ensure all expenses for, and prompt execution of, unloading and customs clearance;

To exempt Japanese nationals from customs duties, local taxes and other fiscal levies imposed in the recipient country, with respect to the supply of products and services under verified contracts;

To accord Japanese nationals, whose services may be required in connection with the supply of products and services under verified contracts, such as facilities necessary for their entry into the recipient country and stay therein for the performance of their works;

To accord Japanese nationals the permission and other competence, if required, for the implementation of the Project;

To ensure proper maintenance, management and preservation of facilities provided under Japan's grant aid; and

To bear all expenses, other than those borne under Japan's grant aid, necessary for the construction of facilities as well as for the transportation and installation of equipment.

2.3.2 SPECIAL ITEMS OF THE PROJECT

2.3.2.1 BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

The following should be undertaken by the implementing government before the construction of the Project:

To complete site clearance following the compensation of private residents in the project area;

To complete all procedures related to tree-cutting works at the site including transportation and management; and

To relocate affected public utilities on-site, overhead and underground the proposed sites.

2.3.2.2 DURING CONSTRUCTION

The following should be undertaken by the implementing government during construction:

To provide the right to use river gravel for free;

To lend construction equipment granted by GOJ to the Project contractor for free, as long as it does not affect the daily maintenance works of DOR;

To conduct all procedures regarding the diversion of traffic from the existing road and pedestrian tracks, and to secure land required for diversion;

To broadcast to the public, through mass media, the traffic regulations during the construction period;

To conduct all procedures regarding the diversion of water supply from existing facilities, and to implement such required diversion;

To secure traffic in Sections I, II and IV of Sindhuli Road;

To conduct environmental monitoring through DOR; and

To arbitrate between residents, existing road users and contractor.

2.3.2.3 AFTER HANDOVER

The following should be undertaken by the implementing government after handover of the Project:

To conduct environmental monitoring and inspection through DOR;

To conduct traffic safety awareness training for bus commuters, drivers and traffic police;

To offer advice for regional development;

To maintain roads in cooperation with DWIDP;

To organize the network for O&M on the entire Sindhuli Road.

2.4 PROJECT OPERATIONS PLAN

2.4.1 NECESSARY O&M WORKS DURING CONSTRUCTION

An existing road (Section II) exists at the site, and Sindhuli Road Sections I and II would be used as haul road during construction. These roads should be maintained in good condition so that materials and equipment could be transferred to the construction site. It was considered that DOR has sufficient number of staff and funds to conduct such kind of maintenance works.

2.4.2 NECESSARY DAILY AND ANNUAL ROUTINE O&M ITEMS AFTER CONSTRUCTION

O&M activities need to be conducted on a daily basis, including cleaning of road facilities, simple maintenance of slopes, and small-scale repairs. These involve clearance of sediments in the drainage and patching of surface cracks and potholes. These activities have already been implemented by DOR for the opened sections of the road. DOR engineers of the Sindhuli Road Project office have conducted periodic observations to obtain information on the road condition, which will be utilized in carrying out efficient maintenance works.

Annual O&M activities include repairs of damaged ditches, cross drains, DBST surfaces, etc., and medium-scale rehabilitation works for slopes, retaining walls and other structures damaged or destroyed by disasters that occur almost every year. These works are carried out by contractors which are selected through a tendering process. The necessary daily and annual routine O&M items are as shown in Table 2.4.1.

Table 2.4.1 Necessary Daily and Annual Routine O&M Items

Category	Structure	Activity
Daily	Side ditch	Removal of debris, simple repair
	Culvert	Removal of debris, simple repair
	Drainage works	Removal of debris, simple repair
	Slope	Grass cutting, removal of collapsed deposit

	Road surface	Sweeping, patching of cracks and potholes
	Sign board	Removal of dirt
	Shoulder	Reshaping, simple repair
Annual	Side ditch	Repair of damaged portion
	Culvert	Repair of damaged portion
	Drainage works	Repair of damaged portion
	Retaining wall	Repair of damaged portion
	Road surface	Resealing of surface
	Slope	Repair of damaged portion

Source: Study Team

2.4.3 PERIODIC O&M ITEMS AFTER CONSTRUCTION

Periodic O&M activities to be carried out for the Project are mainly for the overlay of DBST, painting of ancillary works, and repair of drainage structures. It is preferable that such works are conducted once in every three to five years. Furthermore, repairing the gabion wires is important as well. These works are carried out by contractors which are selected through a tendering process. The necessary periodic O&M items are as shown in Table 2.4.2.

Table 2.4.2 Necessary Periodic O&M Items

Category	Structure	Activity
Periodic (once every five years)	Road surface	Sealing of DBST, overlay Re-pavement of gravel base course
	Sign board	Painting, re-installation
	Others	Medium-/large-scale repair, repair of gabion wire

Source: Study Team

2.4.4 URGENT REHABILITATION WORKS AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

In the Project area, including the haul road, unexpected natural disasters such as slope collapse and landslides are sometimes caused by heavy rains. In case the scale of such disasters is too large, it might be difficult for DOR to deal with the damages. However, based on experiences in Sections II and IV, normal-scale rehabilitation works can be conducted by DOR if sufficient budget is secured. Removal of collapsed deposit, urgent repair, detour route construction, traffic control and urgent countermeasures are conducted by DOR staff.

Preventive works against rockfall, collapse, failure and scouring are planned at necessary occasions.

2.5 PROJECT COST ESTIMATION

2.5.1 INITIAL COST ESTIMATION

The estimated initial costs of obligations of the recipient country are as shown in Table 2.5.1.

Table 2.5.1 Estimated Initial Costs of Obligations of the Recipient Country

(Unit Price: NRs 1,000)

Item	Content	Quantity	Price (Remarks)
Land Use/Compensation	New Road at Sta. 18+200		Not required (public land)
	Land for excavating/filling		Not required (public land)
	Material Cost at Borrow Site (167 NRs/m ³ , Kamala River)	20,000 m ³	3,340 (DOR)

	Compensation for land use of temporary access road (600/ha)	12,800 m ²	770 (DOR)
	Land for camps of consultants office, house, etc. (Sindhulimali)	10,000 m ²	600 (DOR)
	Land for cement plant (Sta. 13+300)	3,000 m ²	180 (DOR)
	Land for stockpiling machines, equipment and materials (Sta. 17+200)	3,000 m ²	180 (DOR)
Relocation of Public Facilities	Movement of water supply pipe at Sta. 17+600	200m	5 (DOR)
IEE	Initial Environment Examination	one set	500 (DOR)
Environmental Monitoring	(once a month) (75/month)	24 months	1,800 (DOR)
Bank charge	Authorization to pay	one set	1,500 (DOR)
Other Expenses		one set	430
Total			9,305

Source: JICA Study Team

The estimated initial cost of obligations of the recipient country is about NRs 9,305,000 including land use and compensation, relocation of public facilities, IEE, environmental monitoring and others.

2.5.2 O&M COSTS

O&M Costs for the Entire Sindhuli Road is shown in Table 2.5.2.

Maintenance cost for daily cleaning of road facility surfaces and others is approximately NRs 11,200,000 (JPY 12,790,000) per year. In addition, maintenance cost for regular maintenance works once a year and urgent rehabilitation works will be required. The annual maintenance cost to secure the sound maintenance of the entire Sindhuli Road is estimated to be NRs 74,750,000 (JPY 85,364,000). Although this corresponds to only about 3.7% of DOR's maintenance budget for FY 2010/2011, DOR is expected to have a sufficient expenditure capacity because DOR is planning to make priority allocation to this roads.

Table 2.5.2 O&M Costs for the Entire Sindhuli Road

Category	Item	Cost	
		NRs 1,000	JPY 1,000
(1) Daily maintenance	Cleaning, reduction of deposit, grass cutting, etc.	11,200	12,790
(2) Annual repair	Repair of road surface, side ditch, etc.	7,000	7,994
(3) Repair conducted once in five years (converted to annual cost)	Overlay, reshaping, repair of structures, repainting of traffic signs and steel structures, etc.	38,000	43,396
(4) Urgent rehabilitation works	Removal of collapsed soil, urgent rehabilitation, construction of detour route, etc.	8,000	9,136
(5) Preventative works	Preventative works against rock-fall, collapse, scouring and mudflow, etc.	8,400	9,593
(6) Landslide Monitoring (once a month)	Tiltmeter, Borehole inclinometer, Load meter of anchor, Visual inspection of Crib works, anchor works, Rock bolt works	1,200	1,370
(6) Monitoring after completion	Monitoring after completion of construction	950	1,085
Total		74,750	85,364

Source: DOR Project Office

Countermeasures planned in this project will not need to be maintenance, however O&M as shown in Figure 2.5.3 will be required. O&M of Drainage and Road surface have been conducted as a part of road maintenance of the entire Sindhuli Road. Hence additional maintenance cost is

not required. On the other hand, Load meter of anchor and Visual inspection of Crib works, anchor works, Rock bolt works should be included the Landslide Monitoring.

Table 2.5.3 O&M required for Countermeasures in this project

Item	Contents of O&M
Crib works and anchor works	Load meter of anchor, Visual inspection
Crib works and Rock bolt works	Visual inspection
Drainage (Road, embankment, cutting)	Cleaning, reduction of deposit, grass cutting, repair
Road surface	Repair of road surface

Chapter 3
Project Evaluation

CHAPTER 3 PROJECT EVALUATION

3.1 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1.1 PRECONDITION FOR EXECUTION OF THE PROJECT

The precondition for execution of the project is described in Clause 2.3.

3.1.2 PRECONDITION AND EXTERNAL CONDITION FOR ACHIEVEMENT OF THE PROJECT

Practical operations and maintenance (O&M) system and organization for road maintenance will be built up in “THE PROJECT FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SINDHULI ROAD” which is being implemented currently by JICA. The road traffic of Sindhuli Road shall be kept sustainable by utilizing newly made O&M system.

3.2 PROJECT EVALUATION

3.2.1 PROPRIETY

Sindhuli Road with its total length of 160 km connects Dhulikel on the Arniko Highway (31 km eastward from Kathmandu) to Bardibas on the East-West Highway crossing the Terai Plain. It is recognized as one of the most important routes of the SRN and is prioritized as per the project list of the master plan. In the SRN, the project is stated as a support for poverty reduction and improvement of road network in Terai and middle hilly area for the purpose of achievement of the national development plan and from a national economical point of view. Furthermore, the Sindhuli Road construction will contribute to the improvement of stability, safety and economic growth of Nepal.

This project is to keep the safety from Sta. 17+400 to Sta. 18+200, which is the area with the highest probability of occurrence of critical sediment-related disaster in the Sindhuli Road. If the project is not implemented, there is a high probability of long-term road closure. The project is necessary to keep permanent road function. This project is justified for implementation under the grant aid scheme.

3.2.2 EFFECTIVENESS

According to the basic design results executed under the study, the project implementation would generate the following benefits:

3.2.2.1 QUANTITATIVE EFFECTS

Running distance of traffic from Kathmandu to Bardibas in Terai Plain will be reduced about 140 km after the entire Sindhuli Road is constructed. And, roundtrip between Kathmandu-Central Terai Area that requires eight hours of travel time can eventually be done in just five hours.

In addition, project evaluation is carried out through benefit-cost ratio (B/C), economic net present value (ENPV) and economic internal rate of return (EIRR) analysis, all of which are generally employed in the evaluation of public works. Their indexes are evaluated as shown in Table 3.2.1.

In Sta. 17+600, B/C is 3.18 while in Sta. 18+200, B/C is 6.01. It is clear that this project has high investment effect. Prompt implementation is expected to generate higher investment effect.

Table 3.2.1 Examination of Cost Benefits

Site	BCR	ENPV	EIRR
Sta. 17+600	3.18	677,531,956	35%
Sta. 18+200	6.01	2,296,729,117	60%

Source: Study Team

3.2.2.2 QUALITATIVE EFFECTS

The following shows the benefits from the project:

- a. Risks of interception of transportation to Kathmandu Valley will be reduced and stable supply of goods will be realized. Thus, damage to capital functions will be avoided and the lives of 2.51 million citizens will become stable.
- b. By the implementation of this project, the psychic stability of road user (removal of unrest about road closure, etc.) and peripheral people will be improved.
- c. Farm villages will be connected to the market, and thus, cash crop farming will be promoted and regional economy will be activated along the road.
- d. Travel time will be reduced, with the commuters benefiting from safe transportation and traffic, thus, stable supply of goods within the region will be promoted. Moreover, the improvement of access to public services and welfare facilities including hospitals is expected.
- e. By opening the all-weather road, areas along the road that have been less developed in terms of commerce, fabrication and housing industries will be developed. Investment effects will be improved which will contribute to regional development and poverty reduction of 1.54 million citizens living along the road.

Therefore, this project is considered to be of high priority and is supposed to bring about effective results.