

**SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, AIE VALLEY
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I, Divisional Forest Officer, Aie Valley Division, Bongaigaon have inspected the proposed area of 19.187 hectare of forest land against forest diversion proposal namely **Construction of 400 kV DC BongaigaonNangalbibra Transmission Line** at Bhairab RF under Abhayapuri Range,Aie Valley Division, Bongaigaon.(Forest diversion proposal no. FP/AS/TRANS/152968/2022) on dated 09/12/2022 applied by the Nangalbibra-Bongaigaon Transmission Limited accompanied by User Agency and Officials of Range Forest Office, Abhayapuri Range.

The proposed area identified for transmission line alignment is consist of dense forest cover area and 2330 numbers of trees mainly Gamari, Sal, Segun, Koroi, andDemaru to be felled in the proposed RoW (46 m width) of the transmission line.

Further during site inspection, it has come to our knowledge that the BhairabRF is one of the highest potential habitats of the endangered Golden langur (*Trachyoithecusgeei*) and hold highest number of individuals (more than 150) in Bongaigaon district, Assam and are in an increasing trend. The Golden langur is Schedule I species (WPA, 1972) and endangered species according to IUCN, RED LIST 2020. The enumerated 2330 trees to be felled in the proposed transmission line alignment may adversely affect the habitat and survivality of the endangered species as well as it will lead towards scarcity of food source for the primates.

The proposed site is not part of any protected area and not included in archaeological/ heritage site. During my inspection, I found rare or endangered, or unique species of fauna (Golden langur) in the proposed area.


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