

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, AIE VALLEY  
DIVISION, BONGAIGAON**

The proposed diversion proposal namely Up-gradation of existing Jogighopa to Swahid Bedi (near Bongaigaon) road (Proposal no. FP/AS/ROAD/46680/2020) shall provide better road communication from Bongaigaon to Jogighopa. However, the proposed road falling at Bhairab reserve forest which is one of the highest potential habitat of the endangered Golden langur species at Bongaigaon district, Assam. The enumerated 303 trees to be felled in the proposed road alignment may affect the habitat of the endangered primates. But during site inspection it is observed that the User Agency proposed the peripheral area of the reserve forest for the expansion of the existing road and the 303 numbers of enumerated trees to be felled adjacent to the peripheral of the reserve forest area.

Therefore, the diversion for the forest land which is the barest minimum required is recommended subject to implementation of the mitigation measures for safeguarding the habitat of endangered Golden langur by the User Agency as per guidelines.

  
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