

**INSPECTION NOTE ON THE PROPOSAL FOR DIVERSION OF 11.04 ha. OF FOREST
LAND FOR RE-ROUTING OF A PORTION OF EXISTING 400 KV D/C, PALATANA-
BONGAIGAON TRANSMISSION LINE PASSING OVER RIST CAMPUS IN RI-BHOI
DISTRICT, MEGHALAYA**

The inspection was carried out in the field on Saturday the **9th May, 2015** along with the Divisional Forest Officer, Khasi Hills (T) Division, his staff and representatives of the North East Transmission Company Ltd.

The location of the area is at Baridua, Raid Marwet Ri-Bhoi District under the Khasi Hills Territorial Division, Shillong. The area is a Private deem Forest land. The main species are Schima Wallichii, Aegle marmelos, Gmelina Arborea, Artocarpus hirsute, Teak, Sal, Rubber, Mango, betel nut, Orange, Tezpatta and shrub species of Holarrhena antidysenterica, Lantana etc.

The area does not fall under any proposed Eco-sensitive Zone and about 20 kms away from the boundary of Nongkhylllem Reserve Forest. The area does not form any important wildlife migratory route.

As part of compensatory afforestation, an area of 22 ha. was proposed by the user Agency at Shillong Protected Forest, Compartment No. 1, 10 & 11. The area was also inspected by the DFO, Khasi Hills (T) Division, Shillong. According to his report the land is a degraded forest area of two compact patches.

The diversion of the forest land is recommended, and may be approved.



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