

**INSPECTION NOTE ON THE PROPOSAL FOR DIVERSION OF 9.8486 ha. OF FOREST
LAND FOR RE-ROUTING OF EXISTING 400 KV D/C, PALATANA TO BONGAIGAON
TRANSMISSION LINE BY NORTH EAST TRANSMISSION COMPANY LTD. PASSING
OVER RIST CAMPUS IN RI-BHOI DISTRICT, MEGHALAYA**

The inspection was carried out in the field on Monday the **17th July, 2017** along with the Divisional Forest Officer, Khasi Hills (T) Division, 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 hirsuta, Sal, Rubber, 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 Nongkhylliem Reserve Forest. The area does not form any important wildlife migratory route.

As part of compensatory afforestation by the User Agency, a new area of 19.7 ha. of land has been identified by the DFO (T) Shillong at Compartment No. 10 & 11 of Upper Shillong PF and compartment No. 6 of Laitkor Protected Forest.

The diversion of the forest land is recommended.



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