

GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FOREST
AIZAWL WILDLIFE DIVISION

Dated Aizawl, the 17th June, 2022

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Mizoram, Aizawl

Sub : Discrepancy in area of Tawi WLS, regarding
Ref : No. B.22018/2/2022-FC/PCCF/97 Dt. 16/06/2022
F.No. 3-MZ B 003/2022-SHI/673-74 Dt. 02/06/2022

Sir,

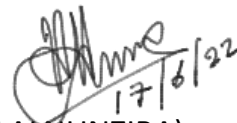
In referring to the query raised by the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Shillong, vide letter captioned above regarding the discrepancy observed in the boundary of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary, the following points may kindly be examined for further necessary action.

- (1) The issue was brought out by the then Deputy Conservator of Forest, vide his letter No. B.15030/1/2015_WL/256 Dt. 13/03/2020. Copy of the letter enclosed.
- (2) The same issue was brought up again by the present incumbent Deputy Conservator of Forests, vide his letter No. B.12017/1/2015-WL/285 Dt. 11/11/2020. Copy of the letter enclosed.
- (3) Both the above proposals aim at pursuing the matter for rectification of boundary disputes / discrepancies existing in Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary. The proposals unfortunately did not materialize into action.
- (4) The issue remains as an obstacle in management and protection of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary unless the problem is solved once and for all.
- (5) The main problem lies in the fact that the existing Map of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary is not in agreement with the boundary description as contained in the Final Notification of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary vide No. B.12012/1/91-FST Dt. 16/11/2001.
- (6) Boundary demarcation needs to be corrected on the Map as well as on the ground by following the descriptions in the Notification.

- (7) An attempt has been made by the undersigned in cartographic representation of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary as per the Notification which is enclosed herewith for reference.
- (8) In this situation of using faulty Management Map, the DCF is forced to claim the area circumscribed by the Map as an area within sanctuary, whereas on actual ground, large chunks of areas on the eastern and western periphery of the sanctuary, including the area applied for Alternate Gravity Water Supply and adjacent jhumlands are never inside the Sanctuary as per the Notified boundary description.
- (9) The area discrepancy as observed creates a lot of problems. The management of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary suffers heavily as there can not be cooperation from the fringe villages as there is a constant disagreement.
- (10) Where Forest Clearance application comes in the picture, the DCF concerned is forced to wrongly claim areas outside sanctuary as inside of it because of the faulty Management Map.
- (11) In view of the discussion, authority may kindly take measures for re-demarcation of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary both on the ground as well as on the Map.

Enclo : as above

Yours faithfully

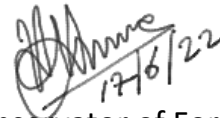


(LAELNUNZIRA)

Deputy Conservator of Forest
Aizawl Wildlife Division

Memo No. B.15030/1/2022-WL/34 Dated Aizawl, the 17th June, 2022

Copy to : The Chief Wildlife Warden, Mizoram, for kind information.



Deputy Conservator of Forest
Aizawl Wildlife Division

GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (WILDLIFE)
WILDLIFE DIVISION
AIZAWL : MIZORAM

No.B.15030/1/2015-WL/ 256

Dated Aizawl, the th13 Mar/2020

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden,
Mizoram, Aizawl.

Subj. : Boundary of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary – reg.

Sir.

With reference to the subject cited above, I would like to inform you it has come to notice that there are discrepancies regarding the boundary description of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary as stated in the Govt. Notification vide letter No.B.12012/1/91-FST dt. 16.1.2001 and the boundary description framed by Village Council of Hualtu.

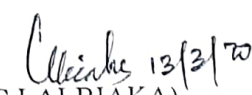
This matter arises on the fact that upon the implementation of Alternative Gravity Water Supply Scheme of Aizawl by PHE Department, Govt. of Mizoram at the foothills of Tawi tlang near Hualtu village, ground survey was conducted by officials of EF&CC Department, PHED and Village Council members of Hualtu. In this survey, it was observed that though the location of this Water Supply Scheme lies within the area of the Sanctuary, the surrounding land area were practically owned by the villagers and has been used for farming as long as 1963. Moreover, a senior staff which has been posted at the Sanctuary since inception commented that these area were not included even on the preliminary survey of the sanctuary.

In this connection, after studying the past records and in verbal communication with the locals and officials, I would like to bring to your kind attention that during the preparation of boundary map and description in the Notification stated above, there seems to be a direction error on the area description in the WEST, where from Bengchat lui it should follow the foothills towards North-east thus outlining the VC area of Hualtu and ends at Kawlhawk kah kawn roughly reducing the area of the sanctuary by 5 Sq.kms as shown in the map (enclosed).

In view of the above, I would like to request you to take necessary steps so that corrective measures can be adopted for the rectification of the boundary description of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary.

Yours faithfully,

Enclo : As above.


(C.LALBIAKA)
Dy. Conservator of Forests (WL)
Wildlife Division
Aizawl, Mizoram

To,

The Deputy Conservator of Forests
Wildlife Division
Aizawl, Mizoram

Subj : Sanctuary chhung Leipui vah chungchang.

Ka pu,

A chungah subject in a tarlan ang khian Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary chhung Maite peng hnaih a chu kum 2008 atang tawh khan leipui atan V.C Hualtu ten an theh a, nikum September thla pawh khan theh leh in October 2009 thla tir atang khan an vat a, he mi chungchangah hian ni 18.10.2009 khan Stay Order ka siam nghal a mahse Hualtu VCP chuan Sanctuary chhung anih loh thu leh hma la zui turin leipui neitute a fuih a, kan seizure list pawh min chhuh sak vek a ni. Hei vang hian helai ram ri hi a fel lo hle a, khawngaih a Sanctuary Boundary dik tak kan hriat theih nan hma min lak sak turin ka ngen a che.

Enclo : 1. VCP Hualtu lehkha.
2. Encroachment area with map
3. Sanctuary boundary description

I rintlak

R. Lalnunluanga 26/3/10
(R.LALNUNTLUANGA)
Range Officer,
Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary,
Hualtu, Mizoram.

VILLAGE COUNCIL / COURT

HUALTU : MIZORAM

Lalengvara Ralte

President

Dated 21st Oct. 2009.

Hualtu.

No,

The Range Officer
Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary.

Subj: Ramthek Chungchang.

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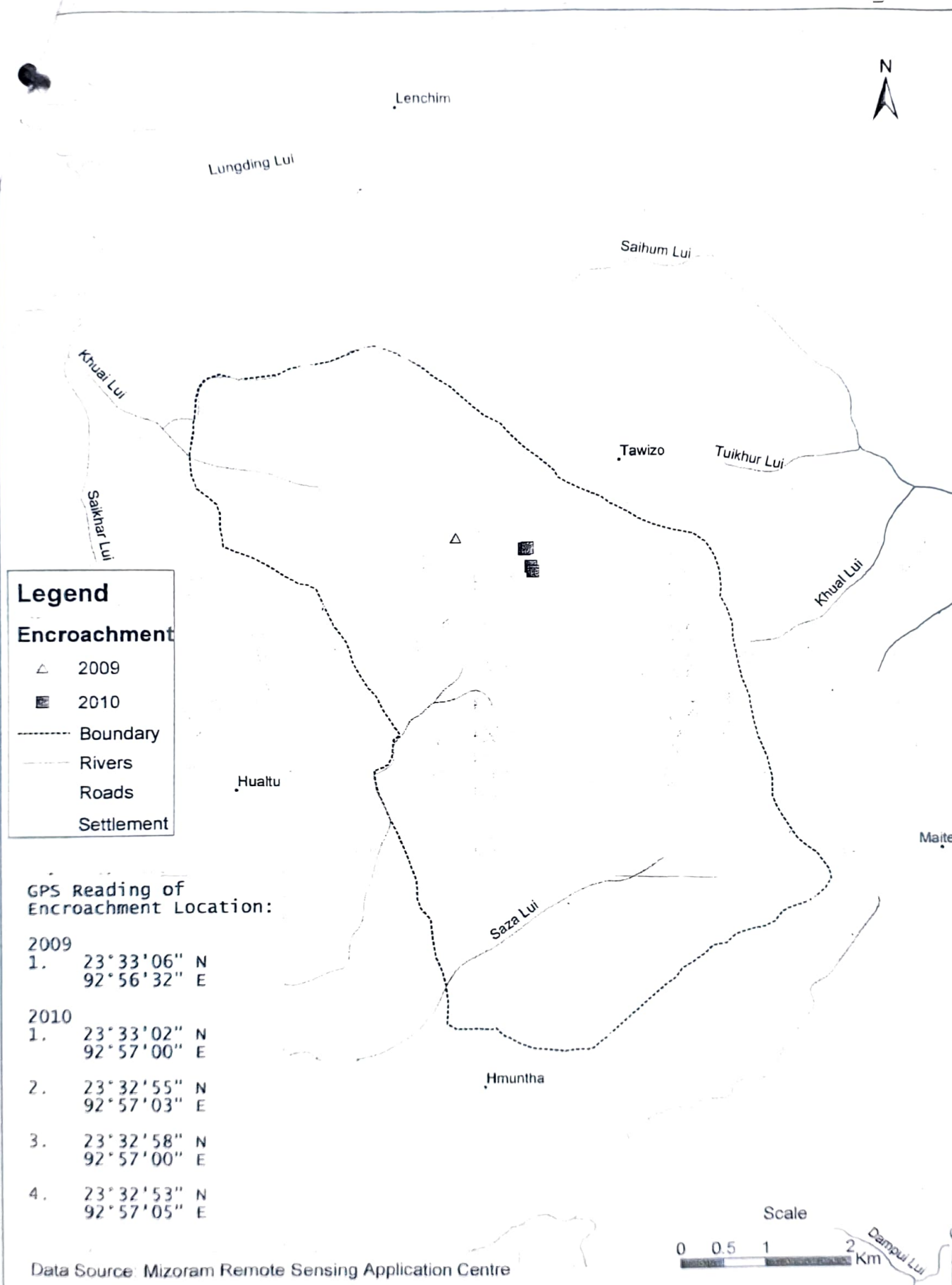
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lova, Forest ram hi Hualtu Vc ten a pek che u a ni
a, kan pek chin-che u hi chi chuang takin kan hria
a, Chuvangin tun kum lo awm tus atana (kum 2010) kan
ram theh hi Hualtu Village Council ram a ni a Chuvangin
Hualtu village Council to Chuan kan ramchin hi humhlim
zet kan tum awi.

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min lo sam sak lo tusin ka rawn agen a che.

(Signature) 21/10/09
(LALENGVARA RALTE)

President
Village Council/Court

Encroachment Within Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary



No.B.12012/1/91-FST
GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Dated Aizawl, the 16h Nov., 2001

Whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-Sec - 1 of Sec-18 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Governor of Mizoram by reason of the adequate ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological, natural or zoological significance has declared his intention vide Notification No. FOR.15-C/74-78/21 dt. 29.11.78 to constitute the area specified in the schedule to this Notification as "Wildlife Sanctuary" for the purpose of protecting, propagating or developing wildlife therein and its environment.

Whereas, as envisaged by Sec-19 of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and as directed by the Govt. of Mizoram in the said Notification, the District Collector, Aizawl District has carried out an enquiry into the existence, nature and extent of right of person over the land comprised within the limits of proposed Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sec-26-A(I) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Governor of Mizoram hereby declares the above said area as specified in the Schedule below as Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the Official Gazette.

SCHEDULE

Area	:	35.75 Sq.Kms.
Boundary description	:	The boundary of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary will be as follows :-
NORTH	:	Crossing above the Khuaimual (Hill ridge) upto the water supply. It then follows Vawmhrawhlui upstream upto Tawizo saddle (Liankawm).
EAST	:	From the saddle (Liankawm) it goes towards south following Maite approach Road upto the source of Vaiden lui along the foot path. And then, it goes to a small lake above Hruiuai crossing the lake upto Bak puk. It then goes to Jhum land of Khuaihnuai and meets source of Khuailui (stream). It then goes to Riahbuk mual and meets Maite Jeep road. It then goes along the foothills catching Hmuntha road upto the place called <u>Lungmaite</u> .
SOUTH	:	From Lungnhute it follows the foothills of Tawi hill towards north-west direction and then crossed Saza stream and then meets Bengchatlui (stream).
WEST	:	From Bengchatlui (stream) source it follows the foothills towards north. It then meets river source of R.Tuikum and then crossing Kawlhawk kah kawm (saddle) and meets Khuailui (stream) the starting point of northern boundary.

Sd/- VANHELA PACHUAU
Secretary to the Government of Mizoram,
Environment & Forests Department.

Copy to :

1. The Secretary to Governor, Mizoram
2. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Mizoram.
3. P.S. to Speaker/Dy.Speaker, Mizoram.
4. P.S. to Minister/Minister of State.

5. P.S. to Chief Secretary, Mizoram.
6. All Commissioner/All Secretaries.
7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Mizoram.
8. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Mizoram.
9. The Director(WL), Govt. of India, Min. of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi.
10. The Deputy Commissioner (Aizawl) for information and necessary action.
11. The Controller, Printing & Stationeries with a request to publish in the Mizoram Gazette. (seven spare copies enclosed). He is also requested to supply 30 (thirty) copies of the Gazette Notification to the undersigned.
12. All Heads of Departments.
13. The Dy. Conservator of Forests(Wildlife), Mizoram.
14. Guard File.

Sd/-

(ROSIAMA RALTE)

Under secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram,
Environment & forests Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
AIZAWL WILDLIFE DIVISION
AIZAWL : MIZORAM

No.B.12017/1/2015-WL/285

Dated Aizawl, the 11th Nov/2020

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden
Mizoram, Aizawl

Subj : Demarcation of Tawi WLS boundary regarding -
Ref : Final Notification 2001

Sir,

Your kind attention is invited to the Final Notification of Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary vide B.120012/1/91-FST Dt. 16/11/2001. In this respect, I am to state that though the boundary description itself is clear, the resultant Sanctuary Map thus drawn based on the boundary description thereof may have to be re-examined. It appears that the descriptions are only loosely followed while preparing the Map. This situation creates a lot of apprehension and unrest on the part of fringe villages. The village people of Hualtu, who in particular, are in disagreement with the boundary line in the Map layout, but not on the notification / boundary description itself.

The Village Council of Hualtu has submitted an old record which describes the western boundary of Tawi WLS, to which they have given consent and countersigned by Pu Kawlhunna, SDFO. The line described therein does not exactly coincide with the final boundary description, but come close to each other, to which both sides may find it easy to arrive at amenable solution.

With your kind permission, it is proposed to reconcile the above stated problem based on actual field survey on the ground with assistance from village authorities.

Encl : Agreement signed by Pu Kawlhunna

Yours faithfully


(LALNUNZIRA)

Dy. Conservator of Forests
Aizawl Wildlife Division
Aizawl, Mizoram

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A han 7:30 P.m.

A han - Pu Zahmaka b.

Committee present

1. Lathuana VLP
2. Strongthang Gunda VLP
3. Kethamadia VLP
4. Lalhazunna Poy YMA
5. R. Lathegima Poy YMA
6. Khamthuna SDFO
7. Lalhambiana
8. Pu Suarna

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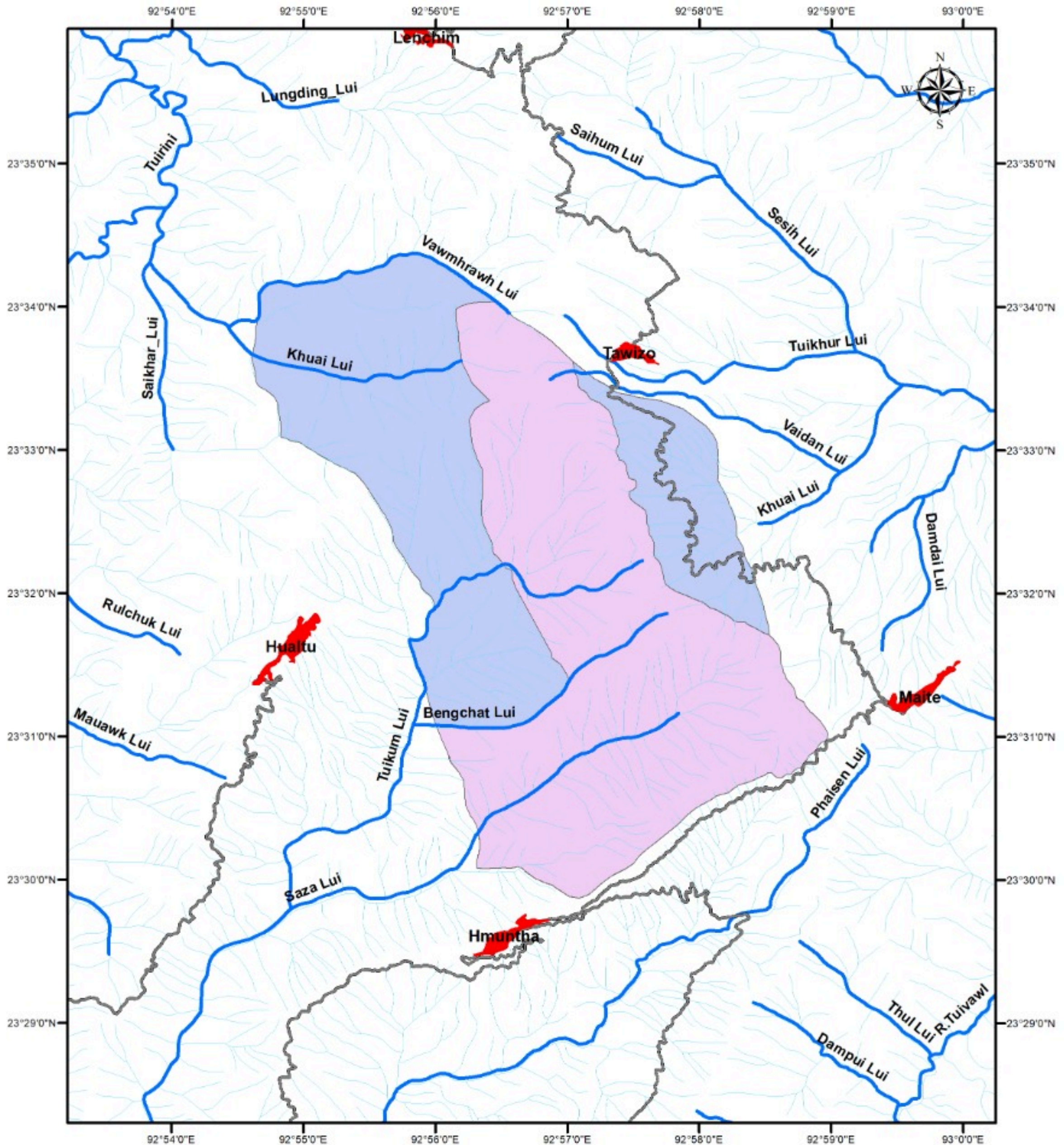
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Branch - Hualu

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MAP OF TAWI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY EXISTING / AS PER DESCRIPTION



1.5 0.75 0 1.5 Kilometers

Area as per existing map : 35.75 sq.km
Area as per description : 17.80 sq.km

Legend

- Existing
- Description
- Rivers
- Roads
- Settlement