

ACTION HISTORY OF RTI REQUEST No.WLIOI/R/E/22/00001**Applicant Name** Ishan**Text of Application**

Kindly provide the following information under the RTI Act, 2005: 1) Copy of assessment of Indo Nepal and Indo Bhutan border roads in Assam. 2) Copies of all communication with the Assam government and the Ministry of Environment and Forest, Delhi regarding these two projects.

Reply of Application

Dear Applicant Kindly see the attached letter. Due to the large size of the pdf documents, we are sharing you the same through following the Google drive download link https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hneuER8lbhRqo6tmj1LioyMySud_bvxM?usp Kindly download the same before 10 days. Afterwards this link will get deactivated.

| SN. | Action Taken | Date of Action | Action Taken By | Remarks |
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| 1 | RTI REQUEST RECEIVED | 03/01/2022 | Nodal Officer | |
| 2 | REQUEST FORWARDED TO CPIO | 03/01/2022 | Nodal Officer | Forwarded to CPIO(s) : (1) Monali Sen |
| 3 | REQUEST DISPOSED OF | 02/02/2022 | Monali Sen-(CPIO) | |

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No. WII/RTI/CPIO/2021-22 (Qtr-III)/80

Date: 02nd February, 2022

To,

Shri Ishan
370, Top Floor, Sant Nagar,
Delhi, Pin:110065
Email: ikukreti@gmail.com

Sub.: Information under RTI Act, 2005-reg.

Ref.: Your Online RTI No. WLIOI/R/E/22/00001 dated 03/01/2022

Sir,

Please refer to your application cited above under RTI Act, 2005. In this context, point-wise response to your queries is given below:

| Information Sought under RTI | Reply |
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| 1. Copy of assessment of Indo Nepal and Indo Bhutan border roads in Assam. | The reply on the information sought by you has been already communicated with you on 27.01.2022 (copy attached as Annexure-I). |
| 2. Copies of all communication with the Assam government and the Ministry of Environment and Forest, Delhi regarding these two projects. | See the attached Annexure-II . |

If you are not satisfied with the aforesaid reply, you may appeal to the Dr. Dhananjai Mohan, Director & Appellate Authority, Wildlife Institute of India, Post Box 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun – 248 001, Ph. 0135-2640910.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. Monali Sen, IFS)
N.O. & CPIO (RTI)



No. WII/RTI/CPIO/2021-22 (Qtr-III)/79



भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
Wildlife Institute of India

Date: 27th January, 2022

To,

Shri Ishan
370, Top Floor, Sant Nagar,
Delhi, Pin:110065
Email: ikukreti@gmail.com

Sub.: Information under RTI Act, 2005-reg.

Ref.: Your Online RTI No. WLIO/R/E/21/00079 dated 21/12/2021

Sir,

Please refer to your application cited above under RTI Act, 2005. In this context, point-wise response to your queries is given below:

| Information Sought under RTI | Reply |
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| 3. Please provide the copies of all the correspondences held between WII and the Uttar Pradesh government/PWD regarding Indo-Nepal road. | See the attached Annexure-I containing 70 pages. |
| 4. Please provide the copies of the assessment done by WII of the Indo-Nepal/Indo-Bhutan border roads passing through Assam. | See the attached Annexure-II containing 83 pages |

If you are not satisfied with the aforesaid reply, you may appeal to the Dr. Dhananjai Mohan, Director & Appellate Authority, Wildlife Institute of India, Post Box 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun – 248 001, Ph. 0135-2640910.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Monali Sen
(Dr. Monali Sen, IFS)
N.O. & CPIO (RTI)

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MEETING
MOST URGENTGOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
BORDER PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DISPUR::GUWAHATI
E-mail - borderprotection2019@gmail.com

No.BD.128/2016/Pl.175

Dated Dispur, the 9th January, 2020.

- From Smti. Anuradha Adhikari Sarma, ACS,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
- To (1) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD (NH & Building), Dispur.
(2) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department, Dispur.
(3) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur.
(4) The Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar
(5) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex, Guwahati, Assam.
(6) The Chief Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati-3.
(7) The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
(8) The Director, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh, Geo-Spatial Data Centre, Survey of India, P.O. Box No. 89, Malki, Shillong - 793001, Meghalaya.
(9) The Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati Frontier, Assam, Nikita Complex, Khanapara, Guwahati-22.
(10) The Director, Wild Life Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun - 248001, Uttarakhand.
(11) The Director, Border Protection and Development, Assam, Assam Science Society, Khanapara, Guwahati.
(12) Smti Dipima Buzarbaruah Malakar, ACS, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Deptt., Dispur.
(13) The Field Director, Manas Tiger Project, Barpeta Road, Assam - 781315.
(14) Shri A. K. Das, IFS, Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC, Kokrajhar.
(15) M/S Wadia Techno Engineering Services Ltd., Mumbai in association with Zoma Engineers, Raheja, Point I, A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Vakola, Santacruz East, WTESL, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400055, India.
(16) Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, Executive Engineer (M), Office of the Chief Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati-3.
(17) Smti. Bulbul Roy, ACS, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Deptt., Dispur.
(18) Shri Dasarath Deka, Consultant, Border Protection & Development Department.

Sub Meeting on for finalization of the DPR work of Indo-Bhutan Border Road to be held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey that a meeting on for finalization of the DPR work of Indo-Bhutan Border Road will be held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall and under the Chairmanship of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur as per agenda given below :-

1. Finalization of the alignment of 176 km road stretch which is outside Manas Tiger Project and Barnadi WLS using existing forest/ tea garden roads.
2. Finalization of 110 km of road length passing through wildlife areas in consultation with SSB and Environment & Forest Department, Assam.
3. Requirement of statutory clearances like Forest land diversion, National Board for Wildlife clearance.
4. Land acquisition, Forest compensation etc.
5. Finalization of the work program leading to the completion of DPR preparation.

You are, therefore, requested kindly to make it convenient to attend the said meeting alongwith relevant reports/documents.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Dr. Abhijit Das
attended the
meeting.

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Memo No.BD.128/2016/Pt.75-A
Copy for information to :-

Dated Dispur, the 9th January, 2020

PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Border Protection and Development,
Dispur for appraisal of Commissioner & Secretary.

By order etc.,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Fwd: Minutes of meeting held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM i...

Subject: Fwd: Minutes of meeting held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Govt of Assam on Indo- Bhutan Border Road Project
From: Wildlife Institute of India <wii@wii.gov.in>
Date: 3/4/2020, 5:01 PM
To: DWII <dwii@wii.gov.in>

----- Forwarded Message -----

Subject: Minutes of meeting held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Govt of Assam on Indo- Bhutan Border Road Project

Date: Wed, 4 Mar 2020 16:56:19 +0530

From: Border Protection and Development Department <borderprotection2019@gmail.com>

To: shantanoo.bhattacharyya <shantanoo.bhattacharyya@gmail.com>, shantanoo.bhattacharyya <shantanoo.bhattacharyya@yahoo.com>, engineerszoma <engineerszoma@gmail.com>, principal.secretary.btc <principal.secretary.btc@gmail.com>, pccf.wl.assam <pccf.wl.assam@gmail.com>, wii <wii@wii.gov.in>, fd.manastp <fd.manastp@gmail.com>, amritkrdas29 <amritkrdas29@gmail.com>, megh.gdc.soi <megh.gdc.soi@gov.in>, dbaassam2010 <dbaassam2010@gmail.com>, dbmalakar <dbmalakar@yahoo.co.in>, vikash.uniyal <vikash.uniyal@wasiaengg.com>, dspwbnhdeptt <dspwbnhdeptt@gmail.com>, zoma_engineers <zoma_engineers@yahoo.com>, dasarath50 <dasarath50@gmail.com>, bd <bd@wadiaengg.com>, ig-ssb-guw <ig-ssb-guw@nic.in>, cepwdnhassam <cepwdnhassam@gmail.com>
CC: thaosenprabhati <thaosenprabhati@gmail.com>

Sir/ Madam,

Kindly find the attachment letter No. BD. 128/2016/Pt./83 dated 04/03/2020 alongwith its enclosures regarding Minutes of meeting held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Govt of Assam on Indo- Bhutan Border Road Project.

Regards,

Border Protection and Development Department,
CM Block, 3rd Floor, Janata Bhawan, Dispur.

— Attachments: —

No. BD. 128.2016.Pt.83 dated 4.3.2020.pdf

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Minutes of meeting held on 17/01/2020 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Govt of Assam on Indo- Bhutan Border Road Project

A meeting was held on 17/01/2020 under the chairmanship of Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Govt of Assam to discuss the directives of the MHA and remove bottlenecks for early completion of the DPR preparation work.

List of participants is annexed.

The following points transpired during the meeting-

1. The meeting took up the directions of the MHA as reflected in the Minutes of the Meeting held at New Delhi on 06/11/2019 for discussion.
2. The representative of the Forest Department stated that the stretch of 176 km of agreed road alignment will also require forest land conversion and the need to go through statutory clearance processes before the DPR is completed. The alignment need to be cleared by National Board for Wildlife, MoEF&CC as it passes through Manas Project Tiger area declared under provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

It was further added that as the entire alignment passes through Manas Project Tiger area, part by part clearance for the alignment is not be feasible. The entire alignment of the project has to be submitted with necessary documents and it will be routed through various levels of clearances.

Matters related to diversion of forest land and land acquisition can be initiated only after approval of the entire alignment by the SSB. Hence the proposed diversions (Core area of Manas Tiger Project & Barnadi WLS) need to be approved by SSB before initiating the forest clearances.

It also transpired that the directives of NBW with their clearance must be incorporated in the DPR and hence submitting the DPR for a part of the project length is not feasible.

3. The WWI representative reiterated the difficulty in taking the road alignment through the World heritage site of Manas Tiger Project.
4. The representatives of the SSB were requested to consider the 2 (Two) proposed diversions from operational point of view and submit their decision.
5. The representative from PWD pointed out that the MHA had vide letter no. XIII/FTRG/BORDER ROAD/2010/1885 dtd. 04/06/2013, rejected the alignment going far away from the International Border. However, in case the SSB agrees to the diversion along the southern periphery of the Manas National Park and the Bornadi Wildlife Sanctuary, a new survey is to be carried out deviating from the original TOR and thus will invite change of scope. This change of scope of work may require additional cost implications which, in turn, will require sanction from MHA. They also aired their concern at lack of clear directives which has delayed the completion.

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6. The meeting decided to constitute a taskforce involving representatives of Border protection & development Department, SSB, Forest Department, PWB&NHD, BTAD and Revenue Department to handle the project expeditiously.

Sd/-

(Smti. Prabhati Thaosan, IAS)
Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department.

Date : 04/03/2020,
Dispur

No. BD. 128/2016/Pt./83

Dated, Dispur, the 4th March, 2020

✓ Copy to:

1. PS to the Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
2. PS to the Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
3. PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD (NH & Building), Dispur.
4. PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Dispur.
5. PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur.
6. PS to the Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar.
7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex, Guwahati, Assam.
8. The Chief Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati-3.
9. The Director, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh, Geo-Spatial Data Centre, Survey of India, P.O. Box No. 89, Maliki, Shillong-793001, Meghalaya.
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19. Shri Dasarath Deka, Consultant, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

By order etc.

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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**ATTENDANCE SHEET OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT FOR THE MEETING RELATING
TO PREPARATION OF DPR FOR CONSTRUCTION OF INDO-BHUTAN BORDER ROAD
HELD ON 17.01.2020 AT 3.00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF COMMISSIONER &
SECRETARY, BORDER PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, JANATA
BHAWAN, DISPUR**

| Sl. No. | Name | Designation | Contact No. & E-mail ID | Signature |
|---------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Shri Ashutosh Agnihotri, IAS | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Dev. Department. | | |
| 2 | | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD (NH& Building), Dispur. | | |
| 3 | | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department, Dispur | | |
| 4 | | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur | | |
| 5 | | Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar. | | |
| 6 | | Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex, Guwahati | | |
| 7 | Smti. Prabhati Thosen, ACS | Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Dev. Department. | | <i>A. Dasen</i> |
| 8 | | Director, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh, Geo-Spatial Data Centre, Survey of India, P.O. Box No.89, Malki, Shillong-793001, Meghalaya. | | |
| 9 | | Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati, Frontier, Assam Nikita Complex, Khanapara, G. S. Road, Guwahati-781022. | | |
| 10 | | Director, Wild Life Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun-248001, Uttarakhand. | | |
| 11 | Smti. Dipima B. Malakar, ACS | Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection & Development Department. | | |
| 12 | Smti. Anuradha A. Sarma, ACS | Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection & Development Department. | 9954071912 | <i>11/1/20</i> |
| 13 | Smti. Bulbul Roy, ACS | Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection & Development Department. | 7086504800 | <i>11/1</i> |

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| 14 | Smti. Leena Das, ACS | Director, Border Protection & Development, Assam, Assam Science Society, Khanapara, Guwahati-22. | | |
| 15 | | Field Director, Manas Tiger Project, Barpeta Road, Assam-781315 | 9435590918 | <i>Actual</i> 17/11/20 |
| 16 | | Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC, Kokrajhar. | 9435088345 | <i>Chm</i> 12/11/20 |
| 17 | <i>Col. Vikash</i> <i>Utingat</i> <i>MD. Hakeem</i> | M/s Wadia Techno-Engineering Service Ltd. in association with Zoma Engineers, Raheja Point I, A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road vakola, Santacruz East, WTESL, Mumbai, Maharastra-400055, India. | 8444614605 9266678706 | <i>17/11/20</i> <i>Ked.</i> |
| 18 | Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya | Superintending Engineer (M), Mechanical Branch, O/o the Chief Engineer, PWD (NH) works, Chandmari, Guwahati-3. | 9957567647 | <i>Chatterjee</i> |
| 19 | Shri Ananta Ram Das | Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection & Development Department | 7576253561 | <i>As</i> 17/11/20 |
| 20 | Shri D. Deka | Consultant, Border Protection & Development Department | 9435743478 | <i>CD</i> |
| 21 | <i>shyamanta</i> <i>Beabarna</i> | Chief Engineer PWD NH Works Assam | 9435169928 | <i>Beabarna</i> |
| 22 | <i>B. Sarma</i> | C.F. (Wildlife), O/o PCCF (CWL), Assam | 9435102029 | <i>As</i> 17/11/2020 |
| 23 | <i>Dr. Abhijit Das</i> | Scientist Wildlife Institute of India | 9412030187 | <i>Abhin</i> 17/11/2020 |
| 24 | <i>Mukul Phukan</i> | <i>Joint Secy</i> <i>Rev. X & Y Dept.</i> | | <i>Chm</i> |
| 25 | <i>Bhuban</i> <i>Smit</i> | <i>Asstt. Comdt (Ex)</i> <i>SSB</i> | 7838155388 | <i>B.</i> |
| 26 | <i>Pranab Kumar</i> <i>Nash EE</i> | <i>Executive Engineer</i> <i>Frontier J & SSB</i> | 8473825560 | <i>Pranab</i> |
| 27 | <i>Hridai</i> <i>Kalita</i> | <i>Account coordinator</i> | 9101086419 | <i>Hridai</i> |
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Fwd: Construction of Indo Bhutan Border Road

Subject: Fwd: Construction of Indo Bhutan Border Road
From: "Director, WII" <dwii@wii.gov.in>
Date: 2/20/2020, 12:46 PM
To: dmohan <dmohan@wii.gov.in>
CC: dean <dean@wii.gov.in>, abhijit <abhijit@wii.gov.in>, "unescoc2c@wii.gov.in" <unescoc2c@wii.gov.in>

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Subject: Construction of Indo Bhutan Border Road
Date: Thu, 20 Feb 2020 06:58:56 +0000 (UTC)
From: Shantanoo Bhattacharyya <shantanoo@bhattacharyya@yahoo.com>
Reply-To: Shantanoo Bhattacharyya <shantanoo@bhattacharyya@yahoo.com>
To: Director <dwii@wii.gov.in>

Sir

Please find enclosed a letter from the Chief Engineer ,PWD (NH Works) Assam , regarding involvement of your esteemed organization in preparation of DPR for Indo- Bhutan Border Road.It may perhaps be mentioned here that WII had already agreed for such involvement vide your letter No. WII/C2C/ASSAM-PROJECTS/24/2015 dtd. 28/09/2016.

Regards

Shantanoo Bhattacharyya
Superintending Engineer (Mech)

Sent from Yahoo Mail. [Get the app](#)

Attachments:

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| To WII.pdf | 333 KB |
| 4. WII letter-Indo Bhutan Border _28 Sep 2016 (Annexure - III).pdf | 200 KB |

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER :PWD(NH WORKS):ASSAM CHANDMARI
GUWAHATI-3

No. CENH/MECH/6/2015/Pt/181

Dated Guwahati the 18th February, 2020

To,

The Director,
Wildlife Institute of India(WII)
Post Box No.18,Chandrabani
Deharadun248001 (India)

Sub:- Construction of Indo Bhutan Border Road.

Ref.: Your letter No. WII/C2C/ASSAM-PROJECTS/24/2015 dtd. 28/09/2016.(Copy enclosed)
Sir,

With reference to the above subject, I have the honour to inform you that the DPR Preparation work for the Indo-Bhutan Border Road Project is in progress. The DPR is being prepared by the consultant M/S Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited Mumbai.

It may be mentioned here that the WII has no objection to provide technical support as stated in your letter under ref. Hence you are requested kindly extend your cooperation to the consultant for your expert advice to make the highly sensitive project environment & wildlife friendly.

Enclo:- As stated above

Yours Faithfully,

[Signature]
18/2/2020

Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works),
Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3

Memo No..CENH/MECH/6/2015/PT/181-A

Dated Guwahati the 18th February, 2020

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Govt of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.
2. The Commissioner & Spl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PW (B&NH) Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.
3. M/S Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited In association with Zoma Engineers Raheja Point I, A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Vakola, Santacruz East, WTESL Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400055, India for information and requested to actively follow up with the WII, Deharadun.

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sd/-
Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works),
Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3

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भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
Wildlife Institute of India

No.WII/C2C/ASSAM-PROJECTS/24/2015

Date: 28th September, 2016

To,

The Chief Engineer
PWD (NH Works)
Assam, Chandmari
Guwahati-3
Assam
Mob: +91-9435032233
Email: as-guw2@pmgsy.nic.in

Sub: Construction of Indo-Bhutan Boarder Road-reg.

Ref: Your Letter no. CENH/MECH/6/2015/48 dated- dated 20th September, 2016

Sir,

With reference to the above and the Draft DPR document as circulated by Mr. Shantanoo Bhattacharya. E.E. (Mech) on 16.09.2016 it is to be conveyed that while the project will follow all procedural requirements as applicable for Manas Tiger Reserve under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. This Institute has no objection in providing technical support as laid out under Section 2.6 of the DPR the cost of which will have to be borne by the government of Assam/ Consultancy Agency for DPR preparation. Accordingly, in Section 12 (Annexure-A) Wildlife Expert it may be added that he/ she will work and report in close coordination with a team of experts in Wildlife Institute of India for suggesting the best mitigation measures.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

[Dr. V.B. Mathur]
Director,

Email: dwii@wii.gov.in, vbm@wii.gov.in

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Fwd: MOU for Indo Bhutan Project

Subject: Fwd: MOU for Indo Bhutan Project

From: "Director, WII" <dwii@wii.gov.in>

Date: 1/29/2020, 2:13 PM

To: dean <dean@wii.gov.in>, 'Yadvendradev Jhala' <yvjhala@gmail.com>

CC: MP Agarwal <mpa@wii.gov.in>, abhijit <abhijit@wii.gov.in>

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Subject: MOU for Indo Bhutan Project

Date: Wed, 29 Jan 2020 13:25:19 +0530

From: Zoma Engineers <engineerszoma@gmail.com>

To: dwii@wii.gov.in

CC: abhijit@wii.gov.in

Respected Sir

I am sending you the Draft MoU . Please find the enclosed files attached.

Attachments:

29-1-2020 -MOU.docx

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Draft MoU.docx

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Planners, Designers, Engineers & Surveyors

Ref No. ZE/02/KNP/2020/05

Dated: 29-01-2020

To

Director

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Tel: +91 135-2640910(D)

[Kind Attention: Mr. Abhijit Das, Scientist]

Subject: Preparation of DPR for construction of single lane Indo –Bhutan Border Road with provision of link roads to the border outpost.

MoU between WII and Zoma Engineers: **Reg.**

Reference Letter No: BD.128/2016/Pt./75 for the meeting held on 17th Jan 2020.

Dear Sir

With reference to the meeting held on 17-01-2020 at Guwahati, we need to prepare the draft MoU as per requirement of the RFP Document of the project. The matter was discussed in the meeting in which Shri Abhijit Das, Ph.D Scientist of WII was also present. It is requested to kindly go through the Draft MoU and send your feedback so that the same can be incorporated for signing of the MoU which will be sent to Chief Engineer PWD Assam for further necessary actions.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely

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Sandeep Kour

Project Coordinator

Zoma Engineers

Mb No: 9622747465

Copy to:

1) Shri. Abhijit Das , Ph.D Scientist, WII Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

(Email: abhijit@wii.gov.in)

2) Shri. Ataullah Kamil, MD, Zoma Engineers, New Delhi 110025

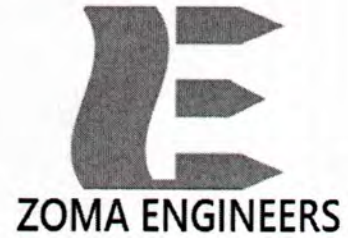
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Project Assistant & Project Biologist Recruitment in
WII Dehradun



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Wildlife Institute of India



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

WILD LIFE INSTITUTE OF INDIA (WII), DEHRADUN
&
ZOMA ENGINEERS, NEW DELHI

FOR

PREPARATION OF DETAILED PROJECT REPORT
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE LANE INDO-BHUTAN BORDER
ROAD WITH PROVISION OF LINK ROADS TO THE BORDER
OUTPOST UNDER PWD, RANGIA NH DIVISION, ASSAM.

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JAN, 2020
NEW DELHI

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Memorandum of Understanding between Wild life Institute of India (WII)...(hereinafter referred to as 'Party I', Dehradun and Zoma Engineers , New Delhi(hereinafter referred to as 'Party II'.

for

Feasibility study and Preparation of Detailed Project Report(hereinafter referred to as 'DPR') for construction of single lane Indo-Bhutan Border Road with provision of link roads to the Border Out Post under PWD, Rangia NH Division, Assam.

This Memorandum of Understanding ('MoU') made on this day.....2020 between Wildlife Institute Rd, Chandrabani, Dehradun, Uttarakhand 248002 and Zoma Engineers ,JA311, 3rd Floor, DLF Tower A , Jasola District Centre, New Delhi-110025.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

- Approved by the MHA, Govt of India vide letter No.11012/11/2010-BM.V, dtd.01.12.2010.
- Aims to establish connectivity to all the SSB out posts located on the Indo – Bhutan international border for improvement of border security.
- The Department of Border Management was created in the Ministry of Home Affairs in January, 2004 to pay focused attention to the issues relating to management of international land and coastal borders, strengthening of border policing & guarding, creation of infrastructure like roads, fencing & flood lighting of borders and implementation of Border Area Development Programme.

SCOPE OF WORK

- A broad administrative decision was taken in the Ministry of Home Affairs for the construction and development of roads along the Indo-Bhutan border in Assam. Accordingly, GOI in consultation with SSB and the State Government has approved construction of border roads along Indo-Bhutan border.
- There is a proposal for construction of single lane Indo-Bhutan border road with provision of link roads to the Border Outposts (BOP).
- As a part of the strategy to secure the borders as also to create infrastructure in the border areas of the country, several initiatives have been undertaken by the Department of Border Management.
- Development of Integrated Check Posts (ICPs) at various locations on the International Borders of the country, construction of strategic roads along borders.

OBJECTIVE

The objectives of the proposed work for Kaziranga National Park Project are as follows:

The main objective is to establish the technical, economical, environmental, ecological and financial viability of the project and prepare detailed project reports for Construction of single lane Indo-Bhutan border road with provision of link roads to the Border Outposts (BOP).

The project is supposed to:

- Facilitate faster troop mobilization near & all along the International Border.
- Facilitate Defence Force to take immediate counter insurgency action in remote Bordering areas.
- Provide linkage to remote villages near Bhutan Border.
- To evolve sound proposals for implementation of wildlife friendly measures including pre- engineered, pre-fabricated, aesthetically harmonious to the nature steel bridges with RCC decking/ flyovers, elevated roads/ animal friendly structures, animal overpass, animal underpass, tunnels, culverts etc. wherever necessary.

FEES

Zoma Engineers, New Delhi shall pay the entire consultancy fee to WII as mutually decided by both the parties:

| | | | |
|-----|-------------------------------|----|--------|
| I | Visit & accommodation Charges | Rs |/ |
| II | Air Travel | Rs |/ |
| III | TA/DA | Rs |/ |
| | Total | Rs |/ |

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/- (Rupees only for wild life clearance reports and other responsibilities.

Payment schedule:

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Work shall be completed in 3 phases and the payment shall be made by Zoma Engineers to WII in 3 equal instalments.

No payment shall become eligible for the next stage till **Party I** completes to the satisfaction of the client the work pertaining to the preceding stage.

Currency of Payment

The payment shall be made in Indian Rupees.

Retention Money

An amount equivalent to 5% of the consultancy value shall be retained till the end of the work and the same will be released after the completion of work to be done as per the MOU.

Penalty for Error/Variation

If variation in any of the aspects of work including in preparing details required for preparation and submission of DPR, found is more than +/- 15%, the penalty equivalent to 5% of the contract value shall be imposed. For this purpose retention money equivalent to 5% of the contract value will be forfeited.

Penalty for delay (strict)

In case of delay in completion of services, a penalty equal to 0.05% of the contract price per day subject to a maximum 5% of the contract value will be imposed and shall be recovered from payments due/performance security. However in case of delay due to reasons beyond the control of the **Party I**, suitable extension of time will be granted after mutual decision by both the parties.

FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH

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Good Faith

The Parties undertake to act in good faith with respect to each other's rights under this work and to adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this work schedule.

Operation of the Contract

The Parties recognize that it is impractical in this work to provide for every contingency which may arise during the life of the work, and the Parties hereby agree that it is their intention that this work shall operate fairly as between them, and without detriment to the interest of either of them, and that, if during the term of this Contract either Party believes that this work is operating unfairly, the Parties will use their best efforts to agree on such action as may be necessary to remove the cause or causes of such unfairness, but no failure to agree on any action pursuant to this Clause shall give rise to a dispute subject to arbitration.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF WII.- Party I

- The suggestions from WII, Dehradun shall be incorporated in the DPR.
- Provide suggestions, Mitigation Measures in the Interest of Wildlife Conservation to evolve sound proposals for implementation to carry out engineering, economic, eco-friendly/ wildlife friendly, environmental, ecological and social studies of the proposed road.
- WII will have to interact with Zoma Engineers in order to clarify the Environment & Forest, Govt. Of India/ Wildlife Institute of India/ National Board for Wildlife/ other local Authorities on technical/ ecological issues during approval of GAD.
- Considering Environment Impact Assessment including preparation of necessary documents for obtaining Environmental Clearance & other Statutory Clearances.
- It is recommended that the services of organization should be taken while preparing the Detailed Project Report (DPR).
- It is expected to undertake all activities related with wildlife clearance for the projects under the guidelines of the MOEF, Govt. of India, National Board for Wildlife (NBW) etc. including various environmental and wildlife issues/ factors related to road projects required to be assessed and analyzed for screening and to undertake best mitigation measures.
- Wildlife Institute of India, National Tiger Conservation Authority etc shall be assist in preparation of DPR reports by providing clarification that is necessary before submission of project to Department, as the project is a highly eco-sensitive one, during course of DPR preparation certain scope and nature of work may deviate a little depending on inputs from the Environment and Forest Department and suggestions of State Wildlife Board, National Board of Wildlife,.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF ZOMA ENGINEERS, NEW DELHI-Party II

- The DPR is to be prepared with technical guidance of Wildlife Institute of India (WII). The expenditure for engagement of Wildlife Institute of India (WII) shall be borne by the consultant.
- On identified corridors, animal underpass/ overpass should be constructed as per guidance of the WII during the DPR preparation
- As the project is ecologically very sensitive one, the **Party I** will work and report in close coordination with a team of experts in Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun for suggesting the best mitigation measures.
- **Party I** shall prepare all types of necessary clearances required for implementation of the project on the ground from the concerned agencies like Archaeological Department, Forest Department, National Board for Wildlife, MoEF & CC, Autonomous council under 6th schedule etc
- Wherever required, consultant will liaise with concerned authorities and arrange all clarifications.
- The **Party I** shall get the draft feasibility report/ draft DPR vetted from the National Tiger Conservation Authority/ Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun before submission of the Final Feasibility report/ DPR to the Authority.
- The cost for engagement of Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun will have to be borne by the consultant.
- To carry out engineering, economic, eco-friendly/ wildlife friendly, environmental and social studies of the proposed road improvements.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Director, WII, Dehradun, Uttarakhand shall be authorized representative of Wild Life Institute (WII), Dehradun while Mr Ataullah Kamil, Managing Director shall be the authorized representative of Zoma Engineers, New Delhi.

CONFIDENTIALITY CLAUSE

Party-I and Party-II acknowledge that the existence and the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding and any oral or written information exchanged between the Parties in connection with the preparation and performance of this Agreement are regarded as confidential information. Each Party shall maintain confidentiality of all such confidential information, and without obtaining the written consent of the other Party, it shall not disclose any relevant confidential information to any third parties, except for the information that:

- (a) is or will be in the public domain;
- (b) is under the obligation to be disclosed pursuant to the applicable laws or regulations applicable to either of the parties, or orders of the court or other government authorities; or
- (c) is required to be disclosed by any Party to its investors, legal counsels or financial advisors (if any) regarding the transaction contemplated hereunder, provided that such investors, legal counsels or financial advisors shall be bound by the confidentiality obligations similar to those set forth in this Section.

Disclosure of any confidential information by the employees, whether permanent or contractual or agencies hired by any Party shall be deemed disclosure of such confidential information by such Party, which Party shall be held liable for breach of this Agreement. This Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement for any reason.

BREACH OF CLAUSE

In case of breach of clause by either of the parties, the contract will be deemed to have been immediately terminated due to the fault of the party causing the breach and:

- i. WII i.e. Party I, shall be liable to refund the amount paid to them as per payment schedule along with interest of 18% within a period of 30 days from the date of breach, if the breach has been caused by them;
- ii. Zoma Engineers i.e. Party II, shall pay the balance amount as per payment schedule along with interest of 18% within a period of 30 days from the date of breach, if the breach has been caused by them;

VALIDITY

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The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is valid foryears from February, 2020 i.e. up to2020. Subsequently, the MoU may be further extended as per the demand of the work and on mutual consent subject to approval of the same by the competent authority.

FORCE MAJUERE

Neither party of this MOU shall be liable to the other party for any failure of or delay in performance of its obligations due to any case of circumstances which are beyond its reasonable control and may not be prevented. In the event of delay of performance caused by force majeure the resulting delay shall not be considered default or failure to perform and the agreed time for performance may be extended for a period of not more than the duration of such force majeure. Force majeure shall include acts of God, such as earthquake, continuous heavy downpour, political / other local disturbances etc., and also war, riots, break-down of law and order caused by terrorists, naxalites and other activists.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In the event of any dispute or difference, relating to interpretation and application of provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding including breach of any clause, either party, shall settle such disputes by mutual agreement, failing which the matter will be referred to the Chief Engineer PWD Assam or any other competent authority as mutually agreed whose decision shall be final and binding on both the parties.

In case of failure to resolve the dispute as per the abovementioned clause, the matter will be referred for arbitration at New Delhi.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS SIGNED TODAY, THE DAY OF...2020.

| (Signature) | (Signature) |
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| Name: Dr. Dhananjai Mohan | Name : Ataullah Kamil |
| Designation: Director WII | Designation : Managing Director, Zoma Engineers |
| Chandrabani, Dehradun 248001, Uttarakhand Email: dwii@wii.gov.in | 311, 3 rd Floor, DLF Tower A , Jasola District Centre, New Delhi-110025, Email: zoma_engineers@yahoo.com |
| SIGNED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF WILD LIFE INSTITUTE OF INDIA In the presence of Witness 1 Signature: Name: Designation: Witness 2 Signature: Name: Designation: | SIGNED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF ZOMA ENGINEERS In presence Witness 1 Signature: Name: Designation: Witness 2 Signature: Name: Designation: |

Fwd: Re-alignment of Indo-Bhutan Border Road

Subject: Fwd: Re-alignment of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
From: Wildlife Institute of India <wii@wii.gov.in>
Date: 8/5/2019, 9:12 AM
To: DWII <dwii@wii.gov.in>

----- Forwarded Message -----

Subject: Re-alignment of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
Date: Sat, 3 Aug 2019 14:18:13 +0530
From: Border Protection and Development Department <borderareas2013@gmail.com>
To: wii@wii.gov.in

Sir,

Please find attached herewith this Department's letter Memo No. BD.128/2016/Pt./60-A dated 03/08/2019 regarding Re-alignment of Indo-Bhutan Border Road.

Regards,

Border Protection and Development Department
Janata Bhawan, Dispur.

----- Attachments: -----

8. Memo No. BD. 128.2016.Pt.60-A dated 03.08.2019.pdf

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BORDER PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DISPUR::GUWAHATI
Email - borderareas2013@gmail.com

No. BD. 128/2016/Pt./60

Dated Dispur, the 3rd August, 2019.

From : Smti. Prabhati Thaosen, ACS,
Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

To : The Joint Secretary (BM-I),
Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs,
Department of Border Management,
1st Floor, Heritage Building,
Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,
New Delhi.

Sub : Re-alignment of Indo-Bhutan Border Road.
Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Indo-Bhutan Border Road project being initiated by Ministry of Home Affairs for connecting all the Border Out Posts (BOPs) along the Indo-Bhutan Boundary and to say that there are objections from the Forest and Environment Department against the running of the road alignment through the Manas National Park and the Bornadi Wild Life Sanctuary, fearing disturbances and irreparable damages to one of the most fragile and pristine biologically rich area.

In view of the above, an alternate alignment is now proposed which will run outside the Manas National Park and the Bornadi Wild Life Sanctuary skirting round their Southern boundaries and in these detour sections, the Forest roads already existing are proposed to be used. Three Maps are enclosed for ready reference.

- (1) Map Annex "X" shows total area of the proposed Indo-Bhutan road. Redline is the original road alignment as per Ministry of Home Affairs requirement.
- (2) Map Annex "Y" is close up Map of Original alignment (in Red) and the now proposed alignment (in blue) bypassing Manas National Park.
- (3) Map Annex "Z" is a close up Map of Original alignment (in Red) and the now proposed alignment (in blue) bypassing Bornadi Wild Life Sanctuary.

The detour will make the alignment about 18-19 km away from the border in Manas section and about 5 km in Bornadi section.

It is requested to consider and approve the alternate alignment for Manas National Park and Bornadi Wild Life Sanctuary which is more feasible and environment friendly.

Yours faithfully,

Encl : As stated above.

Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
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Memo No. BD. 128/2016/Pt./60-A

Dated Dispur, the 3rd August, 2019.

Copy for information to :-

- (1) PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD (NH & Building), Dispur.
- (2) PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department, Dispur.
- (3) PS to the Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar.
- (4) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex, Guwahati, Assam.
- (5) The Director, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh, Geo-Spatial Data Centre, Survey of India, P.O. Box No. 89, Malki, Shillong - 793001, Meghalaya.
- (6) The Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati Frontier, Assam, Nikita Complex, Khanapara, Guwahati-22.
- (7) The Director, Wild Life Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun - 248001, Uttarakhand.
- (8) The Director, Border Protection and Development, Assam, Assam Science Society, Khanapara, Guwahati.
- (9) The Field Director, Manas Tiger Project, Barpeta Road, Assam - 781315.
- (10) Shri A. K. Das, IFS, Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC, Kokrajhar.
- (11) M/S Wadia Techno Engineering Services Ltd., Mumbai in association with Zoma Engineers, Raheja, Point L. A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Vakola, Santacruz East, WTESL, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400055, India.
- (12) Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, Superintending Engineer (M), Office of the Chief Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati-3.

By order etc.,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Fwd: Review meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road

Subject: Fwd: Review meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
From: Wildlife Institute of India <wii@wii.gov.in>
Date: 6/25/2019, 3:18 PM
To: DWII <dwii@wii.gov.in>

----- Forwarded Message -----

Subject: Review meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
Date: Tue, 25 Jun 2019 15:13:14 +0530
From: Border Protection and Development Department <borderareas2013@gmail.com>
To: wii@wii.gov.in

Sir,

Kindly find the attachment vide letter No. BD. 128/2016/Pt./44 dated 25/06/2019 regarding "Review meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road".

Regards,

Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Attachments:

No. BD. 128.2016.Pt.44 dtd. 25.06.2019.pdf

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**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
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E-mail - borderareas2013@gmail.com**

No.BD.128/2016/Pt./44

Dated Dispur, the 25th June, 2019.

From Smti. Anuradha Adhikari Sarma, ACS,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

To (1) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
PWD (NH & Building), Dispur.
(2) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest
Department, Dispur.
(3) The Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar.
(4) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex,
Guwahati, Assam.
(5) The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development
Department, Dispur.
(6) The Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati Frontier, Assam, Nikita Complex, Khanapara,
Guwahati-22.
(7) The Director, Wild Life Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun -
248001, Uttarakhand.
(8) The Director, Border Protection and Development, Assam, Assam Science Society,
Khanapara, Guwahati.
(9) Smti Dipima Buzarbaruah Malakar, ACS, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Deptt., Dispur.
(10) The Field Director, Manas Tiger Project, Barpeta Road, Assam - 781315.
(11) Shri A. K. Das, IFS, Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC, Kokrajhar.
(12) M/S Wadia Techno Engineering Services Ltd., Mumbai in association with Zoma
Engineers, Raheja, Point I, A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Vakola, Santacruz
East, WTESL, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400055, India.
(13) Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, Executive Engineer (M), Office of the Chief Engineer,
PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati-3. He will prepare a **Power Point Presentation** of
the Indo-Bhutan Border Road Project for the said meeting.
(14) Smti. Bulbul Roy, ACS, Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Deptt., Dispur.
(15) Shri Ananta Ram Das, Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Deptt., Dispur.
(16) Shri Dasarath Deka, Consultant, Border Protection and Development Department,
Dispur.

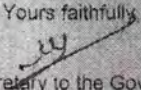
Sub Review Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road to examine, finalize and approve the
submitted aligned proposal will be held on 27/06/2019 at 3.00 PM in the Conference Hall
of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey that a Review meeting on Indo-Bhutan Border road to examine,
finalize and approve the submitted aligned proposal will be held under the Chairmanship of
Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department on 27/06/2019 at 3.00 PM in
the Conference Hall of the Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development
Department, CM Block, 2nd Floor, Janata Bhawan, Dispur.

You are, therefore, requested kindly to make it convenient to attend the said meeting
alongwith relevant reports/documents.

Yours faithfully,



Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
Dated Dispur, the 25th June, 2019

Memo No.BD.128/2016/Pt./44-A

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PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Border Protection and Development,
Dispur for appraisal of Commissioner & Secretary.

By order etc.,


Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Subject: Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting Indo-Bhutan Boarder Road held on 29 Dec 2018.

From: Kehar Singh <kehar@wii.gov.in>

Date: 2/8/2019, 11:53 AM

To: Bivash Pandav <bivash.pandav@wii.gov.in>, "Dr.Parag Nigam" <nigamp@wii.gov.in>, "Dr. S.A. Hussain" <hussain@wii.gov.in>, unescoc2c <unescoc2c@wii.gov.in>

Please see pdf file also.

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E-mail id - borderareas2013@gmail.com

No BD 128/2016/582 Dated Dispur, the 7th January 2019

From: Smt. Anuradha Adhikari Sarma, ACS,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

To: (1) The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development, Dispur.
(2) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
PWD (NH & Building) Dispur.
(3) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest
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Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
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Bhawan, ASWC Building, 1st Floor, Amarawati Path, Christian Basti,
Guwahati-5.
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and Development Department, Dispur.
(16) Shri Dasarath Deka, Consultant, Border Protection and Development
Department, Dispur.
(17) Shri Debeswar Rabha, ARO, Director of Border Protection and
Development, Assam.
(18) Shri A. K. Das, IFS, Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC
Kokrajhar.

Sub: Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border
Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Sir/Madam

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Joint Management
Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference
Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur for favour of
your information and taking necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl - As stated above.

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur

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Attachments:

Minutes Joint Mangement Committee Meeting_IBBR_29 Dec 2018.pdf

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Fwd: Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting...

Subject: Fwd: Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur
From: Wildlife Institute of India <wii@wii.gov.in>
Date: 1/7/2019, 5:31 PM
To: DWII <dwii@wii.gov.in>

----- Forwarded Message -----

Subject: Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur

Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2019 16:42:23 +0530

From: Border Protection and Development Department <borderareas2013@gmail.com>

To: principal.secretary.btc <principal.secretary.btc@gmail.com>, pccf.wl@assam.gov.in, ghtyfr <ghtyfr@bsf.nic.in>, pilania@bsf.nic.in, wii@wii.gov.in, Directorate of Border Areas, Assam Sixmile, Guwahati - 22 <dbaassam2010@gmail.com>, info@manastigerproject.in, Wadia Techno <wadiatechno@gmail.com>, Shantanoo Bhattacharyya <shantanoo.bhattacharyya@gmail.com>, pccf.wl.assam@gmail.com, riteshkumar.singh@geokno.com, ig-ssb-guw <ig-ssb-guw@nic.in>

Sir/Madam,

Please find attached herewith this Department's letter No. BD. 128/2016/582 dated 07/01/2018 alongwith its enclosures regarding Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Regards,

Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Minuites of Joint Management Committee on 29.12.2018.pdf

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
BORDER PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DISPUR::GUWAHATI

E-mail id - borderareas2013@gmail.com

No BD.128/2016/582

Dated Dispur the 7th January, 2018.

From

Smti. Anuradha Adhikari Sarma, ACS,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

To

- (1) The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
- (2) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
PWD (NH & Building), Dispur.
- (3) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest
Department, Dispur.
- (4) The Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar.
- (5) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex,
Guwahati, Assam.
- (6) The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development
Department, Dispur.
- (7) The Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati Frontier, Assam, Nikita Complex
Khanapara, Guwahati-22.
- (8) The Director, Wild Life Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani,
Dehradun-248001, Uttarakhand.
- (9) Smti. Dipima B. Malakar, ACS, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.
- (10) The Director, Border Protection and Development, Assam Pannyygar
Bhawan, ASWC Building, 1st Floor, Amarawati Path, Christian Basti
Guwahati-5.
- (11) The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department,
Dispur.
- (12) The Field Director, Manas Tiger Project, Barpeta Road, Assam - 781315.
- (13) M/S Wadia Techno Engineering Services Ltd., Mumbai in association with
Zoma Engineers, Raheja Point I, A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Vakola,
Santacruz East, WTESL, Mumbai, Maharashtra. 400055, India.
- (14) Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, Executive Engineer (M), Office of the Chief
Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmani, Guwahati-3.
- (15) Smti. Bulbul Roy, Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection
and Development Department, Dispur.
- (16) Shri Dasarath Deka, Consultant, Border Protection and Development
Department, Dispur.
- (17) Shri Debeswar Rabha, ARO, Director of Border Protection and
Development, Assam.
- (18) Shri A. K. Das, IFS, Conservator of Forest, O/o the PCCF, BTC
Kokrajhar.

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Minutes of the Joint Management Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road
held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border
Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Joint Management
Committee Meeting of Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 29/12/2018 at 3.30 in the Conference
Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur for favour of
your information and taking necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Enclo. - As stated above

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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Joint Management Committee Meeting on Indo-Bhutan Border Road

Date : 29/12/2018

Time : 3-30 PM

Venue : Conference Hall of Principal Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department.

Annexure : Attendance of Officials in the meeting at Flag "X".

At the outset, Commissioner & Secretary, Border Protection and Development Department welcomed all Members present in the meeting.

Commissioner & Secretary asked Executive Engineer, PWD (NH) to give the introduction and aim of the meeting. Executive Engineer, PWD (NH) said that the purpose of the meeting was to take a decision on the inordinate delay of the Aerial LiDAR Survey in connection with the construction of Indo-Bhutan Border Road as several deadlines / dates given by Consultant, Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited (WTESL), which were not adhered to has resulted in delay of the work. Moreover, he informed that the DGCA clearance expires on 17/01/2019.

Commissioner & Secretary asked Representative from Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited to explain.

Wadia representative Bal Vikash Uniyal informed that Aerial survey was initially to be done by an Australian Company Zoma Engineers. The helicopter after much delay was positioned at LGB Airport on 14th August, 2018. It flew from 16th to 18th August, 2018 but was able to collect data only on 16th & for the rest two days, due to poor weather, it could not collect any data as the camera was not working. Moreover, the Australian Company refused to fly in that particular helicopter as they considered it unsafe for carrying out the survey & total equipment was not brought in. Now WTESL has a tie-up with an Indian Company GEOKNO where helicopter and equipment will be changed and they plan to complete the Aerial LiDAR survey in February 2019 & submit the draft DPR by March, 2019. They informed that they have applied for fresh DGCA permission.

Executive Engineer, PWD, SSB Sarwan Kumar stated that the Indo-Bhutan Road was taken up for the national security as well as the state of Assam. If WTESL can not complete the already delayed project of preparation of DPR within a very short period of time, the project may be scrapped by MHA.

D.F.O. Shri D. D. Gogoi : Informed that when ground survey was done, Forest Deptt. was not informed & no permission was taken by Consultant, WTESL.

Though, the WTESL had asserted that ground survey was completed by them, but on further discussion, the Consultant, Border Protection and Development Department informed the house that the WTESL had done only fixation of control points on ground at an interval of about 5 KM on the probable alignment of the road and no other ground survey was done in between the control points.

The Deputy Secretary, PWD opined that the ground survey works asserted by WTESL is not satisfactory as the kind of ground survey works in the Kaziranga taken up by WTESL is not up to the mark.

Executive Engineer opined that WTESL to have a MoU with Wildlife Institute of India for the project. Moreover, he said that PWD, Forest & Environment, Govt. of Assam have not been informed by WTESL about the tie-up with the new company and regarding communication with MHA for DGCA clearance.

After threadbare discussion, following resolution were taken.

1. Representative of WTESL, Shri Bal Vikash Uniyal was asked to meet Ministry of Home Affairs officials on 31st December 2018 or on 1st January, 2019 for approval of extended timeline. The outcome has to be communicated to Govt. of Assam immediately after meeting with MHA.
2. MoU with the Forest Department, Assam has to be moved by WTESL for clearance during survey work.
3. MoU with Wildlife Institute of India has to be moved by WTESL for technical advice during survey work.
4. The ground work on the Geo-technological investigation has to be done before April, 2019.
5. The MoU of Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited & GEOKNO along with the supporting credentials of GEOKNO Company needs to be communicated to Govt. of Assam.

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6. The letter of communication with MHA regarding DGCA clearance has to be communicated by Wadia Techno-Engineering Services Limited to Govt. of Assam.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chair.

Sd/-

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

No. BD. BD 128/2016/581

Dated Dispur, the 7th January, 2019

Copy to:-

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By order etc.



Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur.

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MEMBERS PRESENT FOR THE MEETING OF THE "JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE" ON THE PREPARATION OF DPR OF CONSTRUCTION OF INDO-BHUTAN BORDER ROAD IN THE STATE OF ASSAM HELD ON 29/12/2018 AT 03.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, BORDER PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MEMBERS PRESENT -

| Sl. No. | Name | Designation | Contact No. | E-mail ID | Signature |
|---------|--|---|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1. | Smti. L. S. Changsan, IAS | Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | |
| 2. | | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD (NH & Building), Dispur. | | | <i>[Signature]</i> |
| 3. | | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department, Dispur. | | | |
| 4. | Shri Kanak Ch. Sarma ACS | Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | <i>[Signature]</i> |
| 5. | Smti. Prabhati Thaosan, ACS | Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | <i>[Signature]</i> 29/12/18 |
| 6. | <i>[Signature]</i> Addl Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar. | | 9438027040 | | <i>[Signature]</i> 29/12/18 |
| 7. | | Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life, Basistha Forest complex, Assam. | | | |
| 8. | | Inspector General, SSB, Guwahati, Frontier, Guwahati, Assam Nikita Complex, Khanapara, G.S. Road, Guwahati - 781022. | | | <i>[Signature]</i> 29/12/18 |
| 9. | | The Director, Wildlife Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani, Dehradun - 248001, Uttarakhand. | | | |
| 10. | Smti. Dipima B. Malakar, ACS. | Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | |
| 11. | Smti. Leena Das, ACS | Director, Border Protection and Development, Assam, Pannyagar Bhawan (ASWC Building), 1 st Floor, Amarawati Path, Christian Basti, Guwahati - 5. | | | |
| 12. | Smti. Anuradha Adhikari Sarma, ACS. | Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | <i>[Signature]</i> 29/12/18 |

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| 15. | | Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, Executive Engineer (M), Mechanical Branch, O/o the Chief Engineer, PWD (NH), Chandmari, Guwahati - 3 | 992556747 | | |
| 16. | | The Field Director, Manas Tiger Reserve, Barpeta Road. | 9435311006 | | |
| 17. | Shri Ananta Ram Das | Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | 7576853561 | | |
| 18. | Shri D. Deka | Consultant, Border Protection and Development Department, Dispur. | | | |
| 19. | Mr. Faruk Rahman | CE, PWD (NH) Assam | 9435027526 | cepwdnh.assam@gmail.com | |
| 20. | Mr. Rabin | AO, Directorate of Border Protection and Dev. | 8321841995 | | |
| 21. | SARWAN KUMAR | IG 88B | 9560543042 | | |
| 22. | Mr. Indrajit | IFS, Conservator of Forest, Wildlife & Dept. of Forest & Wildlife | 9435044422 | | |
| 23. | AK Das IFS | Conservator of Forest, O/o the APCCF, D.T.C. Karang | 9435088345 | | |
| 24. | L. Tunialy | IG, SSB | 9435730853 | | |
| 25. | BHUBAN SURI | AC (Engr), SSB | 7838155388 | | |
| 26. | Nikunja Bora | JE (M) | 9435714382 | | |
| 27. | Shyamanta Barabara | D/O (EE) PWD BNH Dept | 9435169928 | | |
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Subject: Construction of Indo-Bhutan Boarder Road-reg.

From: "Director, WII" <dwii@wii.gov.in>

Date: 10/4/2016, 3:11 PM

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भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान
Wildlife Institute of India

No.WII/C2C/ASSAM-PROJECTS/24/2015

Date: 4th October, 2016

To,

Smt. L.S. Changsan, IAS
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Border Areas Department, Dispur
Assam
Email: borderareas2013@gmail.com

Sub: Construction of Indo-Bhutan Boarder Road-reg.

Ref: Your Letter no. BD. 89/2015/365 dated- dated 29th September, 2016.


Madam,

In response to the subject cited above, it is stated that a team from WII is in close contact with the Assam PWD officials and have also held a consultative meeting with them in person on 16th September 2016. We extend our technical support and have conveyed the same vide letter no No.WII/C2C/ASSAM-PROJECTS/24/2015 dated 28th September, 2016 which is also enclosed for your kind perusal.

This is for your kind information please.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


[Dr. V.B. Mathur]
Director,

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Encl: as above

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Date: 28th September, 2016

To,

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Sub: Construction of Indo-Bhutan Boarder Road-reg.

Ref: Your Letter no. CENH/MECH/6/2015/48 dated- dated 20th September, 2016

Sir,

With reference to the above and the Draft DPR document as circulated by Mr. Shantanoo Bhattacharya. E.E. (Mech) on 16.09.2016 it is to be conveyed that while the project will follow all procedural requirements as applicable for Manas Tiger Reserve under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. This Institute has no objection in providing technical support as laid out under Section 2.6 of the DPR the cost of which will have to be borne by the government of Assam/ Consultancy Agency for DPR preparation. Accordingly, in Section 12 (**Annexure-A**) Wildlife Expert it may be added that he/ she will work and report in close coordination with a team of experts in Wildlife Institute of India for suggesting the best mitigation measures.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

[Dr. V.B. Mathur]
Director,

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER: PWD (NH WORKS)
ASSAM, CHANDMARI, GUWAHATI-3

No. CENH/MECH/6/2015/48

Dated Guwahati 20th September, 2016

To

✓ The Director,

Wildlife Institute of India (WII)

Post Box No. 18, Chandrabani,

Dehradun - 248001 (India)

Sub: Construction of Indo-Bhutan Border Road

Ref: Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Management Committee on Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on
09-07-2016 (Photocopy enclosed)

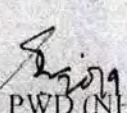
Sir,

With reference to the above and subsequent e-mails sent to Dr. Sonali Ghosh and also the discussion with you by Sri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya, E.E. (Mech) on 16-09-2016, you are requested kindly to provide us the broad recommendations for the Indo-Bhutan Border Road Project. Your erudite inputs will help us to frame the Terms of Reference (TOR) of the consultancy job.

It may be mentioned here that the MHA has accorded the sanction for DPR consultancy and has instructed to take up the work immediately. The Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD etc, has called for a meeting on 26th September, 2016 in this regard and hence you are requested to send the recommendations by 24th September, 2016.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully


Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works)
Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati- 3

Memo No. CENH/MECH/6/2015/48-A

Dated Guwahati 20th September, 2016

Copy to:

1. The Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWD etc. , Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.
2. The Commissioner & Spl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, PWB&NH Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.

Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works)
Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3

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Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Management Committee on Indo-Bhutan Border Road held on 9/7/2016

The meeting was chaired by Smti. L.S. Changsan, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Home, Political, Border etc. Department. At the outset, she welcomed all and apprised that this meeting is of high significance to discuss a vital issue like Construction of Indo-Bhutan Border Road which is very important in terms of public convenience as well as for National security. She requested PWD (Building & National High Way), the executing agency to present the up to date status of the road

The Executive Engineer, PWD (Building & National Highway) stated that the proposal amounting to Rs. 9.95 crore for preparation of DPR for the new alignment of the road had already been approved by the Technical Committee and was placed in the meeting of High Level Empowered Committee on 28/07/2016. It was learnt that Govt. of India approved the project reducing the cost to Rs. 9.88 crore. The minute of the meeting is awaited to know the exact position.

The Chairperson requested to prepare the terms of Reference required in the process of bidding in consultation with Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun to make the project eco-friendly. She also made it clear that the Wild Life should not be disturbed. So the road should be environment friendly and at the same time National Security angle also should be noted.

Participating in the discussion, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife informed that Supreme Court is the ultimate authority to issue clearance. Before that the project is to be approved by the Cabinet. Then it is to be agreed by State Board for Wildlife under Chief Minister and National Board for Wildlife under Prime Minister. Then the Apex Court is to be moved for the clearance.

Director General of Police (DIG) opined that the border road should be as close as possible to the border and if it is far away then it would not serve the purpose.

The Field Director, Manas Project Tiger expressed his strong resenting against the road passing through Manas. He requested to shift the road to the Southern boundary of Manas.

The Secretary, BTC commented that there should not be any hindrance to the public in using the road.

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The Executive Engineer, PWD (Building & National High Way) assured that the DPR would be prepared after strategic Environment Impact Assessment and it would not be detrimental to forest.

The Secretary, BTC requested to construct the road in the southern part of Dadgiri.

Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Division offered some adjustments in some portions.

The Executive Engineer, PWD (Building & National High Way) informed that this is a Tentative alignment only prepared on the basis of google map. After the survey, the actual alignment will be made.

The Chairperson requested all the DFOs of the entire area to go personally during the critical part of Survey time.

Smti. Soneti Ghosh, IFS, the Scientist, Wildlife Institute of India pointed out that the issue of alignment is to be modified since Sonkosh Bhairabkunda Manas is a Legal Entity under Wildlife Protection Act. There are some Go Zones and some No Go Zones. It is a high seismic zone with Himalayan-Bhabhar eco-system. So, there is acute shortage of water in that area and human habitation is a bit difficult. Anyway, ecological consideration is to be looked into.

After threadbane discussion, the following decisions were taken :-

1. The Wildlife Institute of India will be the Consultant for Stretegic Environment Impact Assessment during preparation of DPR.
2. PWD (Building & National Highway) will prepare the draft NIT for survey & DPR preparation within 7 (seven) days and will submit to WII, Dehradun for consultation.
3. All the stake holders will be consulted for finalization of draft, NIT.
4. After approval of preparation of DPR by MHA, the Bidding process is to be completed within two months, so that the survey and DPR preparation can be started in November, 2016 and completed within 4-5 months.

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The Chairperson requested PWD (Building & National Highway) to work in a war footing manner in consultation with all the stake holders within the time frame.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the Chair.

sd/-
(Smti. L.S. Changsan, IAS)

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Border Areas Department, Dispur

Memo No. BD. 128/2016/158

Dated Dispur, the 29th August, 2016.

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- (4) Mr. Robinson Muchahari, Secretary, B.T.C., Kokrajhar.
- (5) The Inspector General, Frontier Head Quarter, SSB, Khanapara, Nikita Complex, Guwahati.
- (6) Dr. V. B. Mathur, Director Wildlife Institute of India, Post Box # 18, Chandrabani Dehadun 248 001 Uttarakhand
- (7) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest or his representative, (Spl. Invitee) Wild Life, Basistha Forest Complex, Assam.
- (8) Shri H. K. Sarma, IPS, (Spl. Invitee) The Field Director, Manas Project Tiger, Barpeta Road, Assam (Spl. Invitee)
- (9) The Director, Border Areas, Assam, (Spl. Invitee) Pannyagar Bhawan (ASWC Building), 1st Floor, Amarawati Path, Christian Basti, Guwahati - 5.
- (10) Shri K. Brahma, DCF, (Spl. Invitee) O/o the D.F.O., Kachugaon Divn., Kokrajhar.
- (11) Shri S. K. Brahma, DCF, (Spl. Invitee) O/o the DFO, Chirang Division, Chirang District.
- (12) Shri M. K. Sarma, D.F.O., (Spl. Invitee) Dhansiri Division, Udalguri District.
- (13) Shri N. C. Nath, DCF, (Spl. Invitee) O/o the D.F.O., Baksa Division, Baksa.

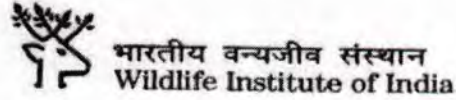
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Joint Secy. to the Govt. of Assam,
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Subject: Meeting related to the Construction of Indo-Bhutan Road in the State of Assam-reg.
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BCC: satipoonam@wii.gov.in



No.WII/C2C/Misc/01/2015

Date: 8th August, 2016

To,

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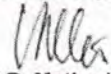
Ref: Your office letter no. BD.89/ 2015/339 dated 4th August, 2016.

Madam,

With reference to the subject cited above, you are kindly informed that Dr. Sonali Ghosh, Scientist F, Wildlife Institute of India, Mobile: +91-9412051211 has been deputed to attend the meeting on behalf of the Institute. You are requested to indicate a person from your department whom she may contact upon her arrival at Guwahati on 9th August, 2016 morning for access to Secretariat etc.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. V.B. Mathur)
Director

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
BORDER AREAS DEPARTMENT
DISPUR::GUWAHATI

No. BD.89/2015/339

Dated Dispur, the 4th August, 2016.

From Smti. D.B. Malakar, ACS
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Border Areas Department, Dispur.

To (1) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
PWD (Building & National Highway), Dispur.
(2) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Forest & Environment Department, Dispur.
(3) The Principal Secretary,
B.T.C., Kokrajhar.
(4) Mr. Robinson Muchahari, (Spl. Invitee)
Secretary, B.T.C., Kokrajhar.
(5) The Inspector General, Frontier Head Quarter, SSB,
Khanapara, Nikita Complex, Guwahati.
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(7) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest or his representative, (Spl. Invitee)
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(8) Shri H. K. Sarma, IPS, (Spl. Invitee)
The Field Director,
Manas Project Tiger, Barpeta Road, Assam. (Spl. Invitee)
(9) The Director, Border Areas, Assam, (Spl. Invitee)
Pannyagar Bhawan (ASWC Building),
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(10) Shri K. Brahma, DCF, (Spl. Invitee)
O/o the D.F.O., Kachugaon Divn., Kokrajhar.
(11) Shri S. K. Brahma, DCF, (Spl. Invitee)
O/o the DFO, Chirang Division, Chirang District.
(12) Shri M. K. Sarma, D.F.O., (Spl. Invitee)
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(13) Shri N. C. Nath, DCF, (Spl. Invitee)
O/o the D.F.O., Baksa Division, Baksa.

Sub Meeting relating to the Construction of Indo-Bhutan Border Road in the State of Assam.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to inform that the Joint Management Committee meeting has been convened by the Commissioner & Secretary, Border Areas Department, Dispur on 09/08/2016 at 11.30 AM in the Conference Hall of Commissioner & Secretary, Border Areas Department, 2nd Floor, CM's Block, Assam Secretariat, Dispur to discuss about the present status of construction of Indo-Bhutan Border Road in the State of Assam.

Therefore, you are requested kindly to make it convenient to attend the said meeting with reports accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secy. to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Areas Department, Dispur.

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Copy to :

1. S.O. to the Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur for information.
2. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Border Areas Department, Dispur for information.
3. The Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Secretariat Administration Department, Dispur. She is requested to arrange tea, water bottle and snacks for 35 persons for the above mentioned meeting.
4. The Nazir, Secretariat Administration (N) Department, Dispur. He is requested to arrange tea, water bottle and snacks for 35 persons for the above mentioned meeting.

By order etc.,

Joint Secy. to the Govt. of Assam,
Border Areas Department, Dispur.