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**EASTERN ZONE BENCH, KOLKATA**

Original Application No. 05 of 2025/EZ

In the Matter of:

*Atanu Borthakur ... Applicants*

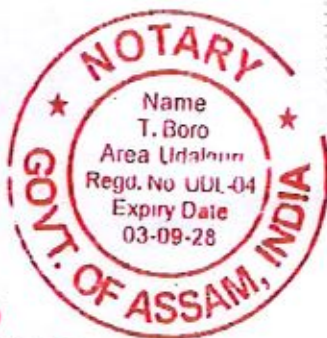
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*Union of India and others ... Respondents*

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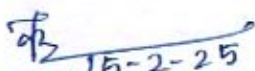
*Atanu Borthakur -vs- Union of India and Ors.*

Affidavit in on behalf of the Respondent No.7, The District Commissioner, Udalguri.

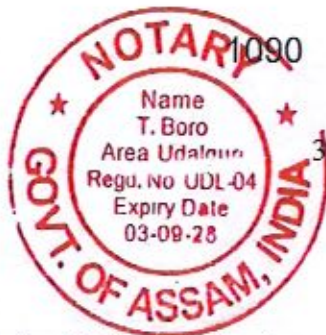
I Sri Pulak Patgiri, son of Late Ratnakar Patgiri, aged about 55 years, by faith Hinduism, by occupation Govt Servant residing at DC Office campus P.O. Udalguri, P.S. Udalguri and District Udalguri Assam, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as follows: -

1. That I am the District Magistrate, Udalguri District in the State of Assam and as such I am fully conversant with the facts and circumstances of the case.

2. That I have received the notice and copy of the above-mentioned Original application, as well as the relevant order of the Hon'ble

  
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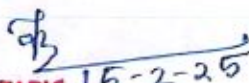
Tribunal dated 17.01.2024, have gone through the same and understood the contents made therein.

3. That I will traverse only through those portions which are relevant for the present purpose, as well as for which the clarifications are sought for. The portions of Original application, not replied to shall not be treated as to be my admission.

4. That the Petitioner filed the instant Original Application before the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, and alleges that illegal mining activities are taking place in the Udalguri District in the nature of unauthorized and excessive mining in gross violation of environmental laws, regulations and guidelines. It is further alleged that in the said district there is no approved District Survey Report till date, and mining activities are carried on in large scale in the absence of any approved DSR.

5. That in this connection, the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone bench, vide its order dated 17.01.2025, has already constituted a Fact finding Committee, and directed the same to visit the sites in question and submit a report with regard to the allegations.

6. That pursuant to the said order or direction, the First meeting of the Committee was held on 29.01.2025, under the Chairmanship of the District Commissioner, Udalguri. Accordingly field-visits were made with effect from 04.02.2025, and its report was also submitted.

  
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7. That a detailed Status report was also sought for from the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri in the light of order of the Hon'ble Green Tribunal.


8. That after obtaining detailed information, the District administration has issued show-cause notices and has cause to stop all the mining activities.

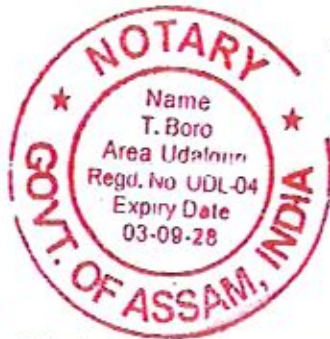
The detailed report of compliance of the order dated 17.01.2025, of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, EZ, comprising the proof of action taken by the authorities, are annexed herewith and marked as Annexure - 'X'.

9. That in this regard the answering deponent humbly submits that the DSR for Udalguri District is under preparation and has not yet been finally approved, and ECs will be issued only after the final approval of the DSRs.

9. Thus it is needless to mention that presently no unauthorized mining is being carried on in the Udalguri District.

10. That Udalguri District has a huge repository of Natural Resources in the form of Sand, Gravels etc. due to its terrain and hilly rivers. The district caters the need of materials irrespective of Government projects being executed in the district and other neighboring districts and also individual demands. There is a huge opportunity of scientific mining in the district for minor minerals for development and revenue of the State.

  
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11. In addition to it, some projects pertaining to Water Resource Department are being executed in the flood prone and vulnerable areas to combat with the coming flood situation and severity of the existing embankment across the district of Udalguri. The department has to stop its ongoing works due to ban on collection of materials from the mines.

10. That the statements made out in the foregoing paragraphs are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and based on records and the same are also my respectful submissions before this Hon'ble Court and that I have not suppressed any material facts.

Deponent is identified  
by me -

Sanjiv Basumatary  
Advocate, 15-2-25

The above named Executant has  
been identified by

Sanjiv Basumatary,  
Advocate and signed before me

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Deponent

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ECF No.71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL/

To

Smt. Malabika Roy Dey  
 Learned Counsel, Kolkata  
 (Ph. No 9051634204)

Sub: Submission of Compliance report

Ref: Order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata in Original Application No 05/2025/EZ dated 17.01.2025

Madam,

With reference to the subject cited above and in compliance of the order under reference, I have the honour to submit below the action taken report as per the Order of Hon'ble Tribunal for favour of your kind perusal and submission of affidavit

1. That, as per compliance of the order of Hon'ble Tribunal at point no 13, the undersigned passed an order vide this office Memo no ECF No 71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL dated 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 ceasing operation of all mining activities under the jurisdiction of Udalguri District since there is no approved District Survey Report. Accordingly Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division was instructed to comply the above said order and to submit compliance report immediately. In pursuance of the order, the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division took action to stop all mining activities across the Udalguri District. (Copy of the Order passed by undersigned is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure I)
2. That, in compliance of the order of Hon'ble Tribunal at point no 21, A Fact Finding Team was constituted comprising of 1. Sri Pratap Kr Sarmah, Addl. Chief Env. Scientist, Pollution Control Board, Assam; 1. Sri Sarfraz Haque, ACS, Addl. District Magistrate, Udalguri and 3. Sri Anupam Phukan, Sr. Geologist, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Govt. of Assam vide this office notification No E-71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL dated 29.01.2025 ( Copy of the notification is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure II, Letter of CEE & Nodal Officer (Legal) Pollution Control Board, Assam nominating Sri Pratap Kr Sarmah as representative of Pollution control Board, Assam is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure III and Letter of Director Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam nominating Sri Anupam Phukan as his representative is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure IV )

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3. The Committee had its first meeting on 29.01.2025 at 3.00 PM in the conference Hall of DC office, Udalguri under chairmanship of undersigned and planned out the schedule of field visits over the sites in question. Accordingly the committee caused field visits w.e.f 04.02.2025 and submitted its report with regards to the allegation made in the Original Application, particularly with regards to the documents field at page 590 of the paperbook, which are at Item no 4, 6, 8 and 10 pertaining to District Udalguri Assam showing the status of the sand mines under the heading 'Status' as 'Running' as per point no 22 of the order. It was also decided in the meeting to examine as to whether any mining is being operated in the district Udalguri other than by any other people in addition to the Respondent Nos 8, 9, 10, 11 as per point no 24 of the order (Minutes of the meeting is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure V)
4. A detail status report was sought from Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri vide this office letter no ECF No 71723/FOR/103/2023 T&D-UDL/54 dated 27.01.2025 in the light of the order of the Hon'ble NGT(Copy enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure VI). The Report of Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest division submitted his report vide memo no B/DDU/NGT/85 dated 27/01/2025. ( Copy enclosed herewith and marked as annexure VII)
5. That, the Fact Finding committee visited all the mining sites within the district on 04.02.2025 and 05.02.2025 and collected Geo locations and verified the mining activities being carried out. They also verified the relevant records available with the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri and submitted a detail report on the present status of mining sites. Apart from the 04 (Four) mining sites mentioned in the original application, the Fact Finding Committee reported additional 10 (Ten) mining sites. (The copy of the report is enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure VIII)
6. The Fact Finding Committee also opined that Udalguri District has a huge repository of Natural Resources in the form of Sand, Gravels etc due to its terrain and hilly rivers. The district caters the need of materials irrespective of Government projects being executed in the district and other neighboring districts and also individual demands. There is a huge opportunity of scientific mining in the district for minor minerals for development and revenue of the State.

Yours faithfully,

*Signature*  
14/02/2025.

(Pulak Patgiri ACS)  
District Commissioner, Udalguri



Memo no ECF No.71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL/ Dated Udalguri the 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025  
Copy to:

1. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forest) to the Govt of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information
2. The Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati 37 for favour of kind information.
4. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest cum Council Head of Department, Forest, BTC, Kokrajhar for kind information
5. The Secretary Coordination to Chief Secretary of Assam for kind information
6. The Director, Geology and Mining, Assam for kind information
7. The CEE and Nodal Officer (legal), Pollution Control Board, Assam for kind information
8. The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri for information
9. Office Copy



(Pulak Patgiri ACS)  
District Commissioner, Udalguri





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**ORDER**

**Whereas** Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata passed an order on the Original Application No. 05/2025/EZ, Atanu Borthakur [Applicant(s)] Versus Union of India & Ors. [Respondent(s)] dated 17.01.2025.

**Whereas** perused the Original Application No. 05/2025/EZ.

**Whereas** as per the Original Application (i) Respondent No. 8 has been granted lease to mine sand gravel from Tarajuli Sand Gravel Mahal (Dhansiri River), District Udalguri, BTAD, Assam for a period of five years commencing from 07.10.2021 for an area of 4.80 hectares. (ii) Respondent No. 9 has been granted mining lease to mine sand from Lower Dhansiri S/S-Mahal-B, District Udalguri, B.T.C. for a period of seven years commencing from 23.02.2018 for an area of 4.00 hectares. (iii) Respondent No. 9 has been granted mining lease to mine sand from Lower Dhansiri S/S-Mahal-B, Mining Permit Area, District Udalguri, B.T.C. for a period of seven years commencing from 24.05.2018 for an area of 3.68 hectares. (iv) Respondent No. 10 has been granted mining lease to mine sand/gravel from Bhorala Boulder Sand/Gravel Mahal No. 2, District Udalguri, BTAD, Assam for a period of seven years commencing from 31.07.2018 for an area of 4.60 hectares. (v) Respondent No. 11 has been granted mining lease to mine stone and earth from Samrang Newly Gravel and Earth Mahal Mining Permit Area, District Udalguri, BTAD, Assam for a period of seven years commencing from 16.05.2018 for an area of 3.21 hectares.

**Whereas** the Applicant referred to the directions issued by the Hon'ble Tribunal in Original Application No.86/2024/EZ (*Pradeep Singh Shekhawat-Vs.-Union of India*) wherein the Hon'ble tribunal has held that District Survey Report is mandatory for mining of minor minerals.

**Whereas** it is alleged that the District Survey Report (DSR) of Udalguri district has not been approved by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Assam.

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Whereas a detailed status report on the order of the Hon'ble Tribunal has been obtained from the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division. In his report the Divisional Forest Officer has stated that there is no approved DSR for Udalguri district.

As such, I, Shri Pulak Patgiri, ACS, District Commissioner, Udalguri do hereby order to stay all mining activities in Udalguri district until further notice in compliance of order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata with immediate effect.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri shall ensure the cease of mining operations throughout Udalguri district forthwith until further order and shall submit a compliance report to the undersigned.

Signed by

Pulak Patgiri

Date: 27-01-2025 19:52:39  
District Commissioner  
UdalguriDated 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

Memo no ECF No.71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL/  
Copy to:

1. The Additional Chief Secretary (Forest) to the Government of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for favour of kind information.
3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest cum Council Head of Department (CHD) (Forest), BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information.
4. The Secretary (Forest), BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information.
5. The Superintendent of Police, Udalguri for favour of kind information and necessary action.
6. The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri for favour of information and necessary action.
7. Smti. Malabika Roy Dey, Learned Counsel for favour of kind information and for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Tribunal.
8. Office copy.

(E-Signed)

District Commissioner  
Udalguri





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**NOTIFICATION**

In compliance of the order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata in original application no 05/2025/EZ dated 17.01.2025, the Fact-Finding Committee regarding mining activities in Udalguri District has been constituted comprising of the following Officers as mentioned below:

1. Sri Pratap Kr Sarma, Addl. Chief Env Scientist, Pollution Control Board, Assam
2. Sri Sarfraz Haque, ACS, Addl. District Magistrate, Udalguri,
3. Sri Anupam Phukan, Sn. Geologist, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Assam

The role and responsibilities of the Committee as per order of the Hon'ble Tribunal are as follows:

1. The Committee shall visit the site in question submit its report on affidavit within three weeks with regards to the allegation made in the Original application, particularly with reference to the document filed at page 590 of the paperbook, which, at 4,6,8 and 10, pertaining to District Udalguri, Assam shown the status of sand mines under the heading Status as Running.
2. The district Commissioner Udalguri District Assam shall be the Nodal Office for all logistic purposes and for filing the fact-finding report on affidavit
3. The committee shall also examine whether any mining is being carried on in the district Udalguri other than by the respondent No 8, 9, 10 and 11. If any further illegal mining is found, the Committee shall identify the violator, make appropriate recommendation and action to be taken in this regard.

The Order comes into force with immediate effect.

Signed by

Pulak Patgiri

Date: 01-02-2025 17:27:42  
District Commissioner  
Udalguri

Memo No. E-71723/FOR/103/2023-T&amp;D-UDL/

Dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

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2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for favour of kind information.
3. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest cum Council Head of Department (CHD) (Forest), BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information.
4. The Secretary (Forest), BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information.
5. The Director, Geology & Mining Department, Directorate of Geology & Mining, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19 for favour of kind information.
6. The Senior Scientist, Pollution Control Board, Assam, Guwahati for kind information
7. The Superintendent of Police, Udalguri for information.
8. ~~Sri Sarfraz Haque~~, ACS, Addl. District Commissioner (Forest), Udalguri for information and necessary action.
9. Sri Pratap Kr. Sarma, Addl. Chief Env. Scientist, PCBA, Guwahati for information and necessary action.
10. Sri Anupam Phukan, Sr Geologist, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Assam for information and necessary action
11. The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri for information. He is requested to cooperate with the Fact finding team with all relevant documents and also to guide them during the field visit of the team.
12. The Nazir, DC office Udalguri to arrange logistic for the fact finding team
13. Office copy.

(E-Signed)  
District Commissioner,  
Udalguri



**Pollution Control Board, Assam**

(Department of Environment &amp; Forests, Government of Assam)

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No. LGL-11013/4/2025-Legal-PCBA/17

Dated Guwahati the 24th January, 2025

To : The District Commissioner,  
Dist: Udalguri,  
State: Assam  
Email- dc-udalguri@nic.in

Sub : O.A. no. 05/2025/EZ (Atanu Borthakur -Vs- Union of India & Ors.)

Sir,

With reference to the above, please find herewith the Hon'ble NGT (EZ) order dtd 17.01.2025. The Hon'ble NGT vide its order constituted a committee comprising with the following members-

- Senior Scientist, Assam State Pollution Control Board,
- District Commissioner, Udalguri District, Assam or his Representative not below the rank of Additional District Magistrate (A.D.M.); and
- Director of Geology and Mining, Environment and Forest Department, Government of Assam or his Representative Officer.

The District Commissioner, Udalguri District, Assam shall be the Nodal Office for all logistic purposes and for filing the Fact finding Report on affidavit.

In this regard, Sri Pratap Kr. Sharmah, Addl. Chief Env. Scientist is nominated as the representative of PCBA ( Contact No. -9957186636 )

You are requested to take necessary steps for compliance of the said order. The copy of the order is enclosed for your ready reference.

Thanking you,

Signed by

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As stated

Gokul Bhuyan

Date: 24-01-2025 11:46:47 (G. Bhuyan)

CEE &amp; Nodal Officer (Legal)

Dated Guwahati the 24<sup>th</sup>

Memo No. LGL-11013/4/2025-Legal-PCBA/17-A  
January, 2025

Copy to:

- The Secretary, Env. & Forests Deptt. for favour of information and necessary action.
- Director, Geology & Mining Deptt., Directorate of Geology & Mining, Kahilipara, Guwahati- 781019, Assam for favour of information and necessary action.
- Sri Pratap Kr. Sharmah, Addl. CES, PCBA. He is requested to coordinate the District Commissioner, Udalguri for the purpose.

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Dated, Guwahati, 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025OFFICE ORDER

In compliance of the order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench Kolkata dated 17.01.2025 Sri Anupam Phukan, Sr. Geologist of this Directorate has been nominated for representation of Fact Finding Committee regarding mining activities in the Udalguri District.

By order etc.

(N. Anand, IFS)

Director,

Directorate of Geology and Mining, Assam





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**Minutes of the meeting of the Fact-Finding Committee as per direction of Hon'ble  
National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Branch, Kolkata in Order on Original  
Application No.05/2025/EZ, dated 17.01.2025.**

Date : 29/01/2025

Time : 3:00 PM

Venue: Conference Hall, Office of the District Commissioner, Udalguri

Attendance: Annexure-A

The meeting was chaired by Shri Pulak Patgiri, ACS, District Commissioner, Udalguri.

At the outset the Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members present and stated that the Committee has been constituted in compliance of order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Branch, Kolkata. Thereafter, the chairman laid the agenda of the meeting before the house and briefed all the members present about the roles and functions of the committee along with the action taken as far with regard to the Order of the Hon'ble Tribunal on the Original Application No.05/2025/EZ, Dated 17.01.2025.

After a threadbare discussion, the following decisions were made by the Committee:

- The Committee shall seek coordination and help from the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri at any time if the committee deems it required.
- The Committee shall obtain a Revenue Circle wise list of all permitted and non-permitted mines in Udalguri District from the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri for their physical verification.
- The Committee has decided to collect a list of mines within the district which are running in addition to the mines enlisted by the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri from Directorate of Geology & Mining, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.
- The Committee has decided to start their field visit from 03.02.2025.

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The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chairman.

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District Commissioner,  
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4. The Secretary (Forest), BTC, Kokrajhar for kind information.
5. The Director, Geology & Mining Department, Directorate of Geology & Mining, Kahilipara, Guwahati-781019 for kind information.
6. The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri for information and necessary action.
7. Sri Pratap Kr. Sharmah, Addl. Chief Env. Scientist, PCBA, Guwahati for information and necessary action.
8. Sri Anupam Phukan, Senior Geologist, DGM, Assam for information and necessary action.
9. Smti. Malabika Roy Dey, Learned Counsel for information.
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To,

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Dhansiri Forest Division,  
Udalguri

Sub: Regarding status report for taking action in the light of the order passed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.

Ref: Original Application No.05/2025/EZ (Atanu Borthakur (applicants)-Versus Union of India & Ors. (respondents)).

Sir,

Please enclosed find herewith an order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata on the original Application No.05/2025/EZ (Atanu Borthakur (applicants)-Versus Union of India & Ors. (respondents) regarding granting of lease to mine sand gravel/stone/earth etc. In this regard, you are hereby requested to submit a detail status report by today i.e. on 27.01.2025 itself for taking further necessary action from this end for compliance of the order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.

Matter may be treated as **NGT Most Urgent**.

Enclosed: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

Signed by

Pulak Patgiri

Date: 27-01-2025 11:53:00

District Commissioner,  
Udalguri.



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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
BODOLAND TERRITORIAL COUNCIL,  
OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, DHANSIRI FOREST DIVISION, UDALGURI  
UDALGURI I.T.R. (ASSAM)

Memo No. B/DDU/NGT/IS-5

Dated, Udalguri the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025

To

The District Commissioner  
Udalguri District, Udalguri.

Sub:- Regarding status report for taking action in the light of the Order paned by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.

Ref:- Your Letter No.ECF No.71723/For/2023-T&D-UDL/54, dt-27-01-2025.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I have the honour to submit herewith the status report regarding mining of sand, gravel and other minor minerals under Udalguri District.

- (1) The District Survey Report for Udalguri District is in the final stages of preparation and the rectified copy of the DSR provided by the knowledge partner, CPC Environmental Solutions as per the observations made by the Geologist for Udalguri District Smt. Nasmita D. Baruah was again sent to the District Geologist on 23/01/2025 for her final check-up and observations, if any. In case there are no further observations made by the District Geologist, the draft copy of the DSR will be placed before the District Committee for scrutiny and observations. The District Committee will then place the draft DSR to the State Expert Appraised Committee (SEAC) for review and pre-appraisal to ascertain the methodology followed ensuring that the DSR's are prepared in terms of the guidelines of the MoEF&CC, Govt. of India and that the requisite parameters are adhered to and thereafter upon due Evaluation & Appraisal the SEAC will recommend the Final DSR for acceptance and approval by the State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA).
- (2) It is true that Respondent No.8 has been granted lease to mine Sand(35,710 CuM) and Gravel(35710 CuM) from Tarajuli Sand Gravel Mahal (Dhansiri River) District Udalguri, BTC, Assam for a period of 5(five) years wef 08/03/2022 as per Environment Clearance issued from the SEIAA, Assam for an Area of 4.80 Ha. The Mahalder has deposited his kist money regularly and next kist is due on 01/02/2025.  
But, as per records, the final settlement order was issued by the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri vide. Memo No.B/DDU/Tarajuli SG (Dhansiri River) Mahal/6109-23, dtd.19/10/2021 with copy to all concerned.
- (3) The Respondent no.9 was granted mining lease to mine Sand(8000 CuM) for a period of 7(seven) years from Lower Dhansiri S/S Mahal-B, District Udalguri, BTC, Assam for a mining area of 3.68 Ha against allotted area of 4.00 Ha as per approved mining plan dtd.24/05/2018 for a period of 7(seven) years. The final settlement order was issued from the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri on 22/03/2018 effective from 01/04/2018 and the lease deed executed on 19/03/2018. Further, the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri communicated the Chairman of SEIAA for issue of Environment Clearance in respect of mining of Sand from the lease area for a period of 7(seven) years vide letter dtd.21/11/2020.

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In due course of time, due to non issuance of Environment Clearance Certificate the Range Officer, Mazlum Range was directed to suspend all mining operations at Lower Dhansiri S/S Mahal-B as the mahaldar failed to comply with the lease deed and has violated the AMMCR, 2013 by not paying the dead rent or royalty or surface rent to the Government and subsequently, the contract holder Sri, Apurba Kumar Saharia, Village- Bhebarghat, PO-Mangaldoi, District- Darrang (Assam) was issued termination order for non payment of mining dues even after 60 days vide letter dtd.20/06/2023. At present the Lower Dhansiri S/S Mahal-B is not in operation.

- (4) In respect of mining lease to mine Sand(5250 Cum) and Gravel(5250 CuM) for period of 7(seven) years from Bhorla Boulder Sand/Gravel Mahal No.2 to the successful bidder Sri.Hiraj Narzary, the mining lease could not be executed since the successful bidder failed to submit the security money including submission of Mining Plan and execution of contract agreement as communicated by DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri vide letter dtd.11/07/2018, 28/09/2018 & 27/06/2019. Further, the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest cum Council Head of Department, BTC, Forest, Kokrajhar was intimated by the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to cancel the settlement order in respect of the said mahal and allow for putting the mahal on re-sale vide letter dtd.02/08/2019. The mahal is not in operation at present.
- (5) With respect to Samrang Newly Gravel and Earth Mahal extraction was allowed for Stone (8400 M<sup>3</sup>) and Earth (3500 M) for a period 7(seven) years for an mining area of 3.21 Ha against allotted area of 3.9 Ha as per final settlement order issued on 29/06/2018 by the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri. The mining plan was approved on 16/05/2018 for a period of 7(seven) years agreement executed by the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri on 13/06/2018.

Subsequently, due to non-payment of mahal kist against kist no.4,5,6,7,8 & 9 the operation of mahal was suspended.

- (6) Further it is to be mentioned that 10(ten) nos of mahals are presently in operation under Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri District and the necessary Deed of Lease Agreement signed, Final Settlement order issued with Approved Mining Plan, Environmental Clearance, The CTE (Consent to Establish) and CTO (Consent to Operate) has also been issued from the PCBA(Pollution Control Board, Assam).

The list of running mahals enclosed as Annexure-I & II.

The necessary kist money has been paid by them as per the schedule of the Final Settlement order.

In addition to the above 13(thirteen) nos of works permits against Govt. Development works are in operation against indents placed by the various development departments on payment of advance royalty.

There are also 4(four) nos of stock offence of Sand and Stone against which on submission of offence report by the Range Officer concerned the necessary royalty, fine etc. has been realized against the stock of seized minor minerals (list of work permits/stock offence enclosed as Annexure-III with permits)

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

27/01/2025  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri



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24/2/25**Inspection Report of Fact Finding Committee**

**Reference:** Order dated 17.01.2025 of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (Eastern Zone Bench) Kolkata in the Original Application No. 05/2025/EZ (Atanu Borthakur Vs Union of India & Others)

**Background:** Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata passed an order in regards to mining activities in Udalguri District in the Original Application No 05/2025/EZ (Atanu Borthakur Vs Union of India & Others) dated 17.01.2025. In the order, Hon'ble Tribunal directed District Commissioner, Udalguri to ensure that if District Survey Report has not been approved by the SEIAA, Assam for Udalguri District, all mining activities within the district shall remain stayed. The Hon'ble Tribunal also constituted a Fact Finding Committee comprising of 1. Senior Scientist, Assam State Pollution Control Board, 2. District Commissioner, Udalguri or his representative not below the rank of Additional District Magistrate and 3. Director of Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam or his Representative who will visit the mining sites mentioned in the original application to verify the status and also examine whether any mining is being carried on in the District Udalguri other than by the Respondent Nos 8, 9, 10 and 11 of the original application.

In compliance of the order of Hon'ble Tribunal at point no 21, A Fact Finding Committee was constituted comprising of 1. Sri Pratap Kr Sarmah, Addl. Chief Env. Scientist, Pollution Control Board, Assam; 2. Sri Sarfraz Haque, ACS, Addl. District Magistrate, Udalguri and 3. Sri Anupam Phukan, Sr. Geologist, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Govt. of Assam vide notification No. E-71723/FOR/103/2023-T&D-UDL dated 29.01.2025 of District Commissioner, Udalguri as per the recommendation of the CEE & Nodal Officer (Legal) Pollution Control Board, Assam nominating Sri Pratap Kr Sarmah as representative of Pollution control Board, Assam and the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam nominating Sri Anupam Phukan as his representative.

**Description:**

The Committee had its first meeting on 29.01.2025 at 3.00 PM in the conference Hall of DC office, Udalguri under chairmanship of The District Commissioner, Udalguri and planned out the schedule of field visits over the sites in question. The Order mentioned above and the original Application were discussed in details. A detail status report on mining was also sought from Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri.

The Committee visited various sand mining mahals located in the Udalguri District, Assam on 04<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2025. In the Original Application 04 (Four) numbers of Mining sites were mentioned and the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division submitted information of



additional 10 (ten) nos. of Mining sites under operation in the District. The Present status of all the 14 (fourteen) mining sites were verified in field by the Fact Finding Committee.

The GPS co-ordinates of the locations of the mahals mentioned in the Original Application and additional Mahals mentioned in the Status report of the DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri were collected and listed as below-

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Sand mahals	GPS Coordinates	Listed in the Original NGT Case
1	M/s. Tarajuli Sand Gravel Mahal (Dhansiri River)	Lat: 26.770238 Long: 92.194204	Yes (Res. No. 8)
2	M/s. Lower Dhansiri SS Mahal B (Dhansiri River)	Lat: 26.619801 Long: 92.261516	Yes (Res. No. 9)
3	M/s. Bhorala Boulder Sand/ Gravel Mahal No. 2 (Bhorala River)	Lat: 26.816001 Long: 91.955976	Yes (Res. No 10)
4	M/s. Samrang newly Gravel Earth Mahal (Samrang River)	Lat: 26.857127 Long: 91.829502	Yes (Res. No. 11)
5	M/s. Beltola Sand & Gravel Mahal (Kulsi River)	Lat: 26.780223 Long: 91.916826	No
6	M/s. Nunoi Sand & Stone Mahal (No. 3) (Kulsi River)	Lat: 26.750185 Long: 91.926457	No
7	M/s. Nunoi Sand & Stone Mahal (No. 1) (Gitibari)	Lat: 26.764203 Long: 91.872037	No
8	M/s. Gitibari Sand Gravel Mahal no. 2 (Nunoi River)	Lat: 26.74948 Long: 91.864884	No
9	M/s. Gollandi Silt Mahal (Gulandi River)	Lat: 26.759985 Long: 92.118335	No
10	M/s. Dhansiri SS Mahal No.1 (Dhansiri River)	Lat: 26.752802 Long: 92.202503	No
11	M/s. Lokhampur PP Land Mahal (Pasnoi River)	Lat: 26.823611 Long: 92.329167	No
12	M/s. Samugaon (Orang) Mahal (Pasnoi River)	Lat: 26.687474 Long: 92.335315	No
13	M/s Rowta Bagan Sand Stone Mahal (Dhansiri River)	Lat: 26.707778 Long: 92.245278	No
14	M/s. Rangapani SS Mahal (Dhansiri River)	Lat: 26.786111 Long: 92.201944	No

A Digital map showing locations is also prepared and enclosed

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**Observation:**

After visit of fact-finding committee at different Sand Mahals of Udalguri District and examining the records received from the concerned departments viz. Directorate of Geology & Mining; Office of the CCF-BTAD-Kokrajhar and Dhansiri Forest Division-Udalguri, Pollution Control Board Assam and Office of District Commissioner-Udalguri following observations have been made.

**(i) M/s. Tarajuli Sand Gravel Mahal (Dhansiri River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Gillard Basumatary had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.80 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°46'8.48", E=92°11'53.87", N=26°46'9.56", E=92°11'51.31", N=26°46'46.25", E=92°11'51.96", N=26°46'46.17", E=92°11'53.73") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VIII/2211-14 dtd. 07-10-2021 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.1877/2021 dtd. 08-03-2022 for collection of Sand=35,710 CuM for 5(five) years @7,142 CuM only per year and Gravel=35,710 CuM for 5(five) years @7,142 CuM only per year.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit.

The Mahal is respondent no 8 in the Original Application and the Mahal was in **OPERATION** till order of District Commissioner, Udalguri in compliance of Direction received from Hon'ble Tribunal dated 17.01.2025.

**(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'A').**

**(ii) M/s. Lower Dhansiri SS Mahal B (Dhansiri River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Apurba Kumar Saharia had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.00 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°37'12.41", E=92°15'53.43", N=26°37'10.35", E=92°15'50.66", N=26°36'59.40", E=92°16'01.02", N=26°36'58.68", E=92°15'57.96") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VI/6863-67 dtd. 14-02-2023 for total extraction of Sand=2574 CuM for one year only.

The Mahal has not obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit.



The **Mahal is respondent no 9** in the Original Application. As per report of DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri dated 27.01.2025, the mining activity was **terminated on 20.06.2023** due to non issuance of Environment Clearance Certificate and non payment of mining dues. The Mahal was not in operation as per records of Forest Departments.

**(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'B').**

**(iii) M/s. Bhorala Boulder Sand/ Gravel Mahal No. 2 (Bhorala River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Hiraj Narzary had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.60 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°47'06.99", E=91°57'56.07", N=26°47'7.09", E=91°57'57.21", N=26°46'41.90", E=91°57'52.92", N=26°46'41.82", E=91°57'54.27"). with recommended quantity for extraction of sand=5250 Cu m for 7 years (max) and Gravel=5250 Cu m (max) from the CCF & CRD Forests, BTAD through Issue of Intent of letter (LOI) granting Mining Contract vide No. FGW.24/Genl/Dhansiri/ MMC/2025-22/170 dtd. 06-02-2018 from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam.

The Mahal has not obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit.

The **Mahal is respondent no. 10** in the Original Application. As per report of DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri dated 27.01.2025, the mining lease could not be executed since the successful bidder failed to submit the security money including the mining plan. The **Mahal was not in operation** as per records of Forest Departments

**(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'C').**

**(iv) M/s. Samrang newly Gravel Earth Mahal (Samrang River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Gopinath Basumatary had obtained Mining permit to allow Mineral Concession in respect of the Mining Lease area in the area of 3.21 Ha. out of allotted area of 3.90 Ha with boundary description (N=26°50'38.92", E=91°48'55.90", N=26°50'39.58", E=91°49'00.53", N=26°51'08.52", E=91°49'24.43", N=26°50'54.47", E=91°49'21.50") from the PCCF&CHD-BTAD-Kokrajhar (vide letter No. FGW.24/Genl/Dhansiri/ MMC/ 2015-22/745 dtd. 21-04-2018, followed by DFO, Dhansiri Forests Division-Udalguri (vide letter No. B/DDU/Mahal/1510-12 dtd. 9-5-2018 the Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide dtd. 15-05-2018. Then final settlement of Mining Contract issued by the DFO, Dhansiri Forests Division-Udalguri (vide letter No. B/DDU/Mahal/2034-37 dtd. 29-06-2018 for recommended extraction of Stone=8,400 CuM for 7(seven) years (Max.) and Earth=3,500 CuM only for 7(seven) years (Max.).



The Mahal has not yet obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit.

The Mahal is respondent no 11 in the Original Application. As per report of DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri dated 27.01.2025, the mining activity was suspended due to non payment of Mahal Kist against Kist no 4,5,6,7,8 & 9. The Mahal was not in operation as per records of Forest Departments

(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'D').

(v) **M/s. Beltola Sand & Gravel Mahal (Kulsi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Jyotish Basumatary had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 3.69 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°33'30.570", E=90°21'6.460", N=26°33'24.240", E=90°21'7.170", N=26°33'30.980", E=90°21'14.190", N=26°33'24.540", E=90°21'15.980") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-XIV/3254-57 dtd. 18-08-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEAC/SEIAA.3770/2024 dtd. 14-10-2024 with extraction quantity of 42,860 CuM of Sand and 11,430 Cu M of Stone for 4(four) years.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. (Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'E').

(vi) **M/s. Nunoi Sand & Stone Mahal (No. 3) (Kulsi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Horu Baglari had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.79 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°44'16.34", E=91°55'44.85", N=26°45'0.82", E=91°55'32.00", N=26°45'0.64", E=91°55'31.11", N=26°44'16.32", E=91°55'43.89") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-IV/3698-701 dtd. 22-09-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEAC/SEIAA.3769/2024 dtd. 14-10-2024 for extraction quantity of 60,000 CuM of Sand and 9,000 CuM of Stone for 5(five) years.

The Mahal has obtained CTE from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. (Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'F').

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**(vii) M/s. Nunoi Sand & Stone Mahal (No. 1) (Nunoi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Hamen Basumatary had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.91 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°45'44.236", E=91°52'06.965", N=26°45'42.665", E=91°52'10.347", N=26°45'30.948", E=91°51'58.395", N=26°45'29.473", E=91°52'01.557") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VI/70-74 dtd. 02-04-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3494/2023 dtd. 01-02-2024 for extraction quantity of 30,000 CuM of Sand and 20,000 CuM of Stone for **3(three) years**.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'G').**

**(viii) M/s. Gitibari Sand Gravel Mahal no. 2 (Nunoi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Khargeswar Boro had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.40 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°44'16.91", E=91°52'01.65", N=26°44'17.23", E=91°52'03.43", N=26°43'53.85", E=91°52'09.10", N=26°43'55.16", E=91°52'10.20") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VIII/2660-64 dtd. 11-09-2022 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3169/2022 dtd. 07-12-2022 for extraction of Sand-Gravel of 60,000 Cu M only for **5(five) years @12,000 Cu M only per year**.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'H').**

**(ix) M/s. Golandi Silt Mahal (Gulandi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Dhaniram Basumatary had obtained permission for mining of minerals in the area of 3.48 Ha with boundary description (N=26°45'51.89", E=92°07'03.08", N=26°45'51.37", E=92°06'59.56", N=26°45'36.90", E=92°07'03.18", N=26°45'40.17", E=92°07'06.48") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-IV/5137-40 dtd. 07-12-2022 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.34442/2023 dtd. 31-05-2023 for total collection of Silt = 51,000 CuM only for **3(three) years @17000 only per year**.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The



Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'I').**

(x) **M/s. Dhansiri SS Mahal No.1 (Dhansiri River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Nasi Ram Daimari had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.84 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°45'2.10", E=92°12'12.77", N=26°45'2.43", E=92°12'14.29", N=26°45'33.01", E=92°11'57.31", N=26°45'32.95", E=92°11'55.76") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VIII/3682-85 dtd. 22-09-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3586/2023 dtd. 27-04-2024 for total extraction of Sand=60,000 CuM for 5(five) years @12,000 CuM only per year and Stone=18,000 CuM per 5(five) years @3,600 CuM only per year.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'J').**

(xi) **M/s. Lokhampur PP Land Mahal (Pasnoi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Mahendra Kishan had obtained permission for collection of Sand & Gravel in the area of 0.52 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°49'25.22", E=92°19'45.35", N=26°49'25.76", E=92°19'46.82", N=26°49'31.65", E=92°19'47.64", N=26°49'31.06", E=92°19'48.24") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-XI/1862-66 dtd. 18-07-2022 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3077/2022 dtd. 02-03-2023 for collection of Sand=800 CuM only for 2(two) years @400 CuM only per year and Gravel=1200 CuM only for 3(three) years @600 CuM only per year from total allotted area of 1.00 Ha.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'K').**

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**(xii) M/s. Samugaon (Orang) Mahal (Pasnoi River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Amit Kr. Dewry had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.09 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°41'31.42", E=92°20'8.84", N=26°41'31.13", E=92°20'10.60", N=26°40'59.24", E=92°20'4.76", N=26°40'59.15", E=92°20'5.95") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-XI/622-25 dtd. 23-06-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3621/2023 dtd. **01-02-2024** for collection of Sand=42,500 CuM only for **3(three) years @14,166 CuM only per year** and Stone=25,000 CuM only for **3(three) years @8,333 CuM only per year** from total allotted area of 4.08 Ha.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'L').**

**(xiii) M/s Rowta Bagan Sand Stone Mahal (Dhansiri River):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Nasi Ram Daimari had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 3.43 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°42'0.50", E=92°15'17.70", N=26°41'56.50", E=92°15'11.96", N=26°41'56.14", E=92°15'20.89", N=26°41'50.04", E=92°15'13.08") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VI/8756-60 dtd. 25-03-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3424/2023 dtd. **31-05-2023** for collection of Sand=42,500 CuM only for **5(five) years @8,500 CuM only per year** and Stone=20,000 CuM only for **5(five) years @4,000 CuM only per year** from total allotted area of 4.04 Ha.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'M').**

**(xiv) M/s. Rangapani SS Mahal (Dhansiri River) (Bishnu Brahma):**

The owner (Mahaldar) of the Mahal viz. Sri Bishnu Brahma had obtained permission for collection of Sand/Stone in the area of 4.0 Ha. with boundary description (N=26°47'17.178", E=92°12'22.952", N=26°47'19.258", E=92°12'17.102", N=26°47'13.598", E=92°12'13.032", N=26°47'10.108", E=92°12'17.702") from O/o the District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division with as per Mining Plan approved by the Directorate of Geology & Mining,



Assam vide No. GM/MM/86-B(40)/Pt-VIII/1931-34 dtd. 11-07-2023 and EC was granted by SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA.3731/2024 dtd. 19-07-2024 for collection of Sand=32,500 CuM only for 5(five) years @6,420 CuM only per year and Stone=34,000 CuM only for 5(five) years @6,800 CuM only per year from total allotted area of 4.0 Ha.

The Mahal has obtained CTE/CTO from PCBA. During the inspection, it is observed no demarcated boundary in the permitted sand mining area. The Inspection Committee requested the DFO Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri to take necessary action immediately for the same. No sand mining activities including JCB excavators, dumpers etc. were observed on the spot during the field visit. **(Photographs of the Inspection site enclosed at Appendix-'N').**

**Additional Observation:**

1. It was informed to the Fact Finding Committee by the District Administration and DFO-Udalguri District that the District Survey Report (DSR) has been prepared for the Udalguri District and is under final approval stage.
2. The Udalguri District has a huge repository of Natural Resources in the form of Sand, Gravels etc. due to its terrain and hilly rivers. The district caters the need of materials irrespective of Government Projects being executed in the district and other neighbouring district and also individual demands. There is a huge opportunity of scientific mining in the district for minor minerals for development and revenue of the State

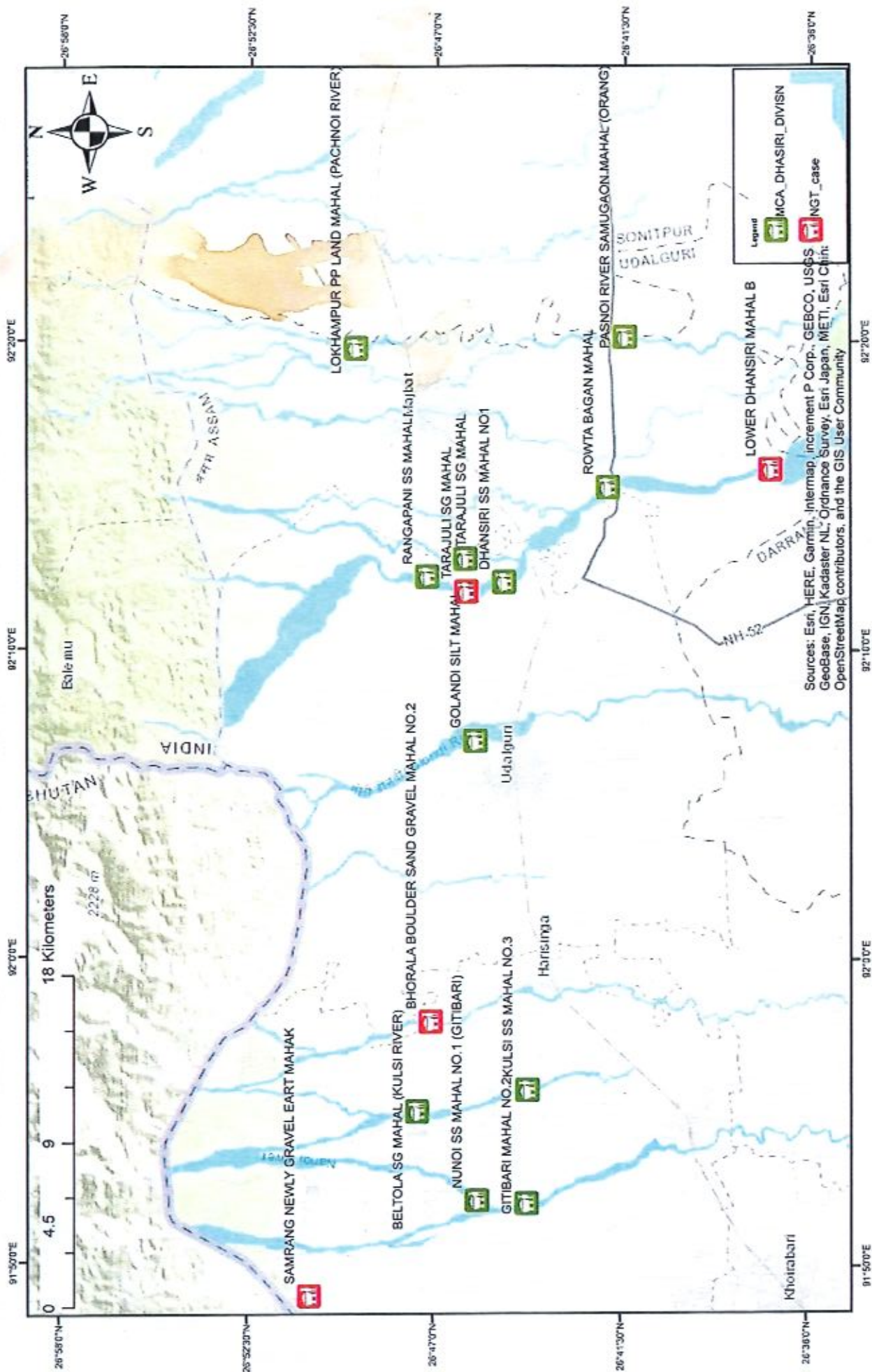
  
(Pratap Kumar Sarmah)  
ACES of PCBA and  
Member of Fact Finding  
Committee

  
(Anupam Phukan)  
Sr. Geologist of DGM and  
Member of Fact Finding  
Committee

  
(Sarfraz Haque)  
Addl. District Magistrate &  
Member of Fact Finding  
Committee

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**MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE MINING CONTRACT/PERMIT AREA AND MAHALS NOT IN OPERATION**





## Appendix-'A'

NAME OF MAHAL: -TARAJULI SG MAHAL (DHANSIRI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST DIVISION,  
DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 04-02-2025





## Appendix-'B'

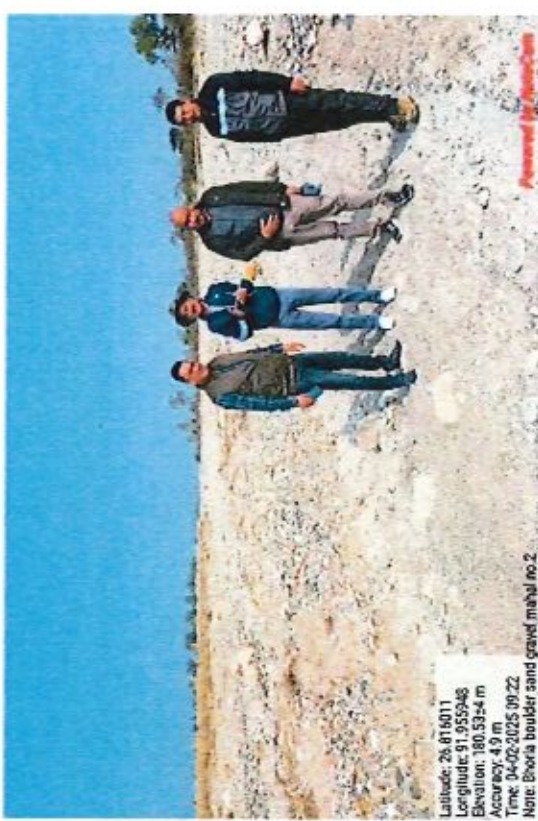
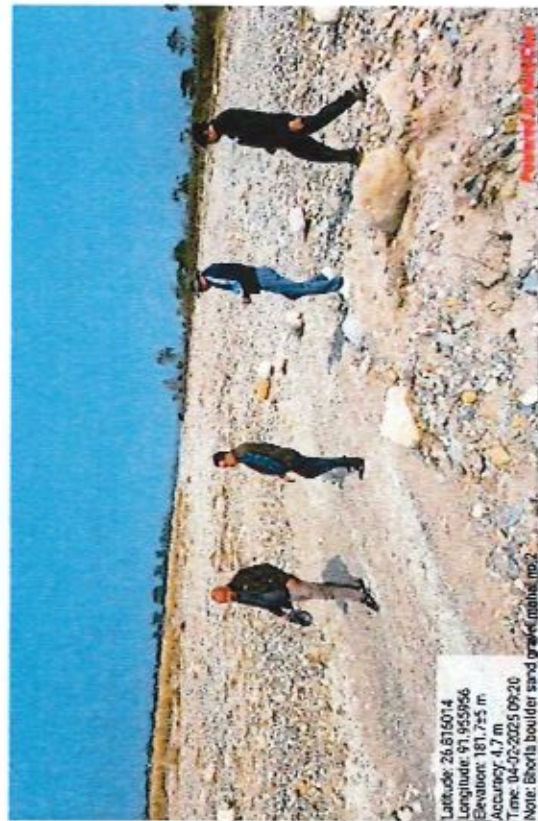
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DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 04-02-2025





# Appendix-'C'

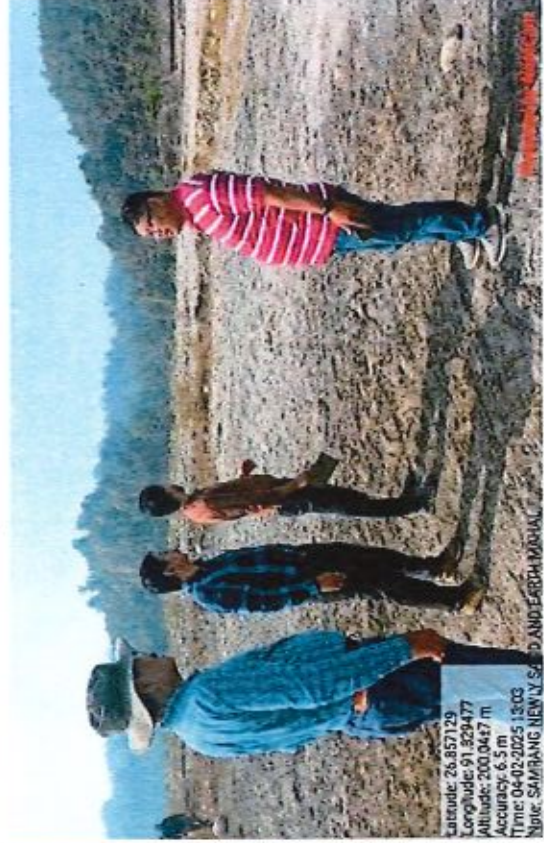
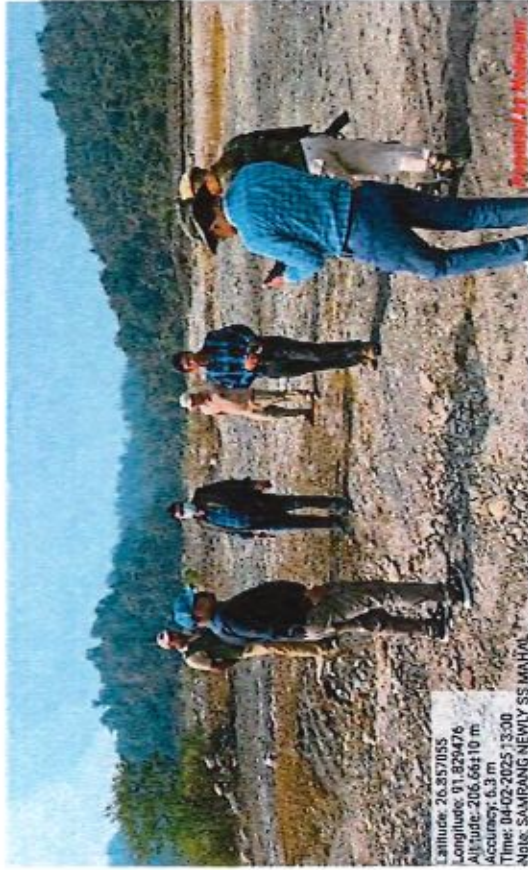
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FOREST DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT:- 04-02-2025





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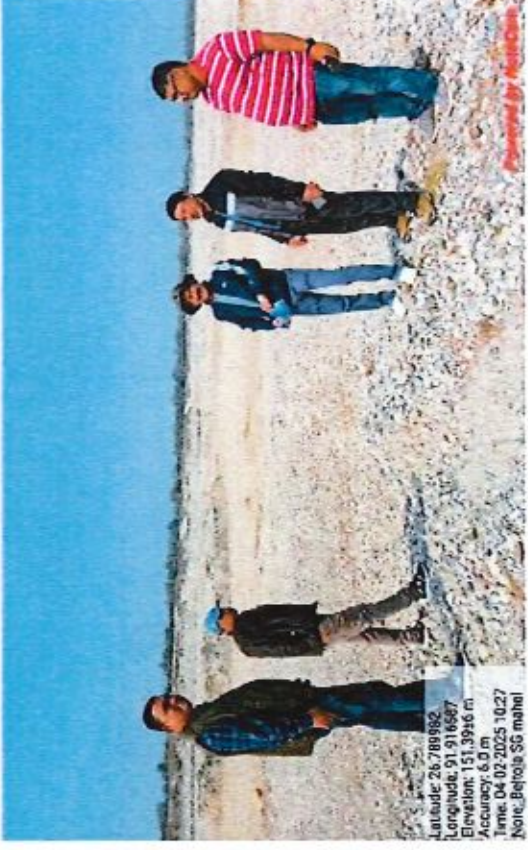
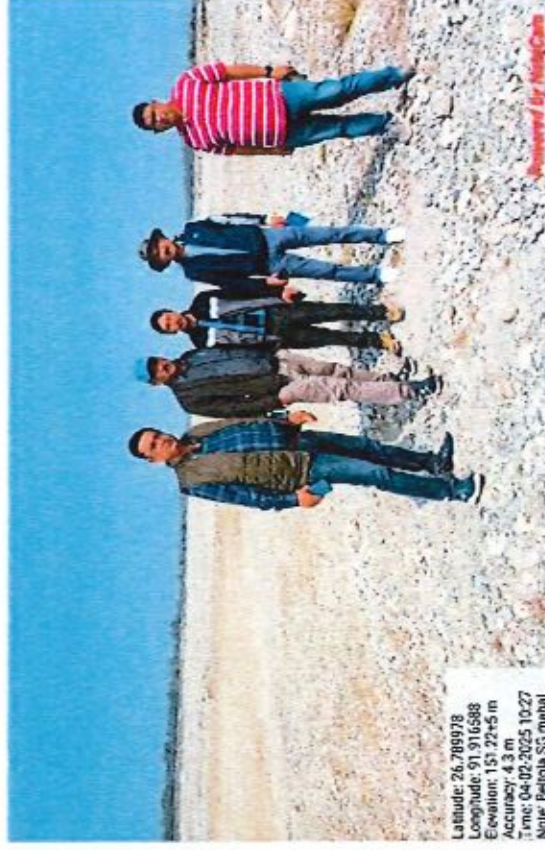
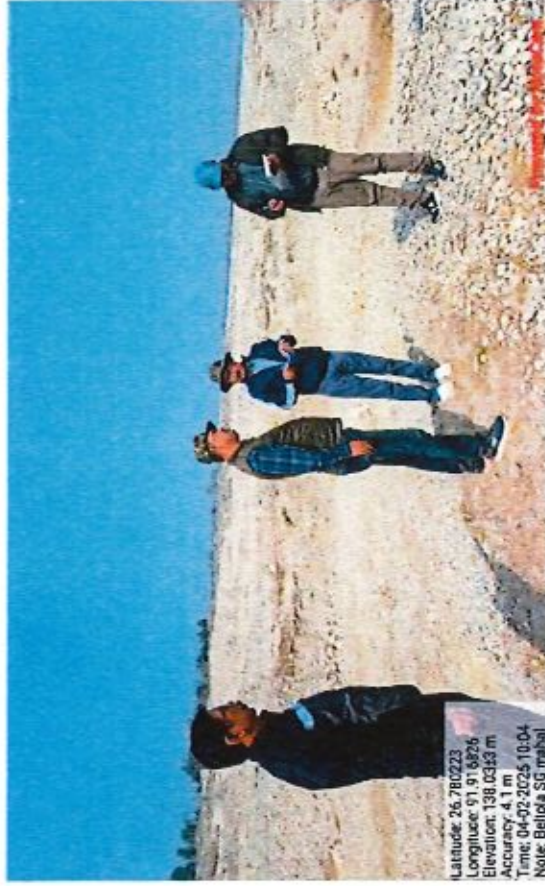
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FOREST DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 04-02-2025





## Appendix-'E'

NAME OF MAHAL:- BELTOLA SG MAHAL (KULSI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST DIVISION,  
DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT:- 04-02-2025





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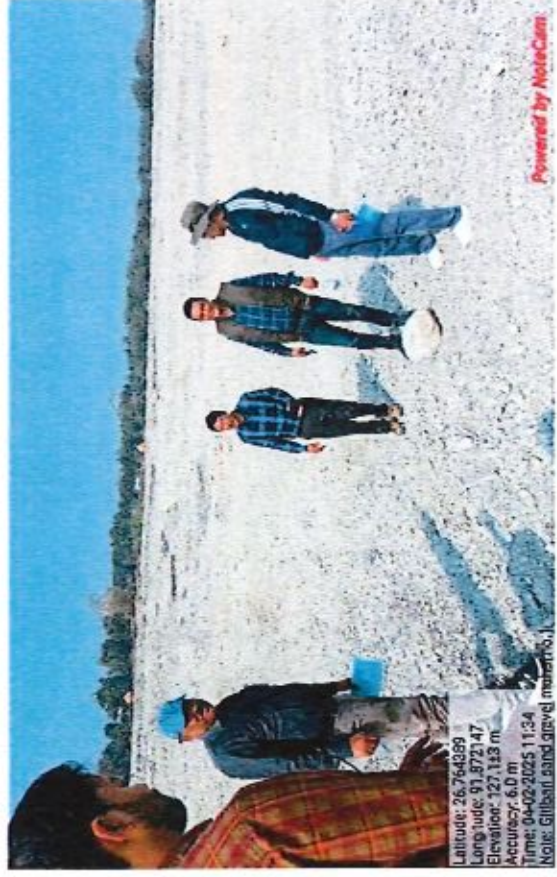
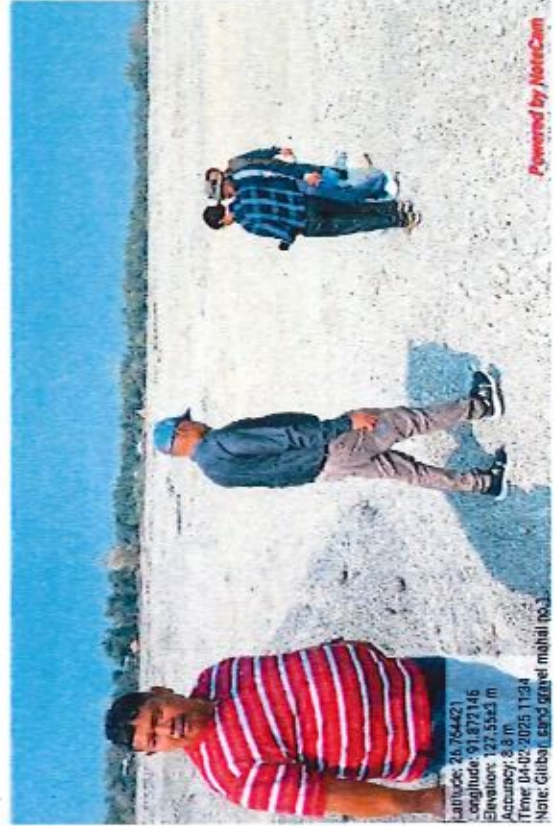
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DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 04-02-2025





## Appendix-'G'

NAME OF MAHAL: -NUNOI SAND & STONE MAHAL NO.1 (NUNOI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST  
DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 04-02-2025





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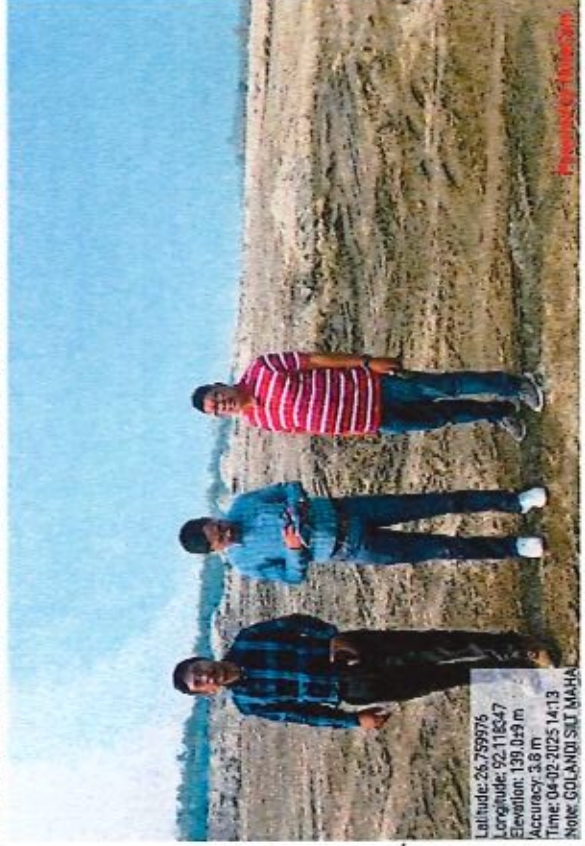
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# Appendix-'I'

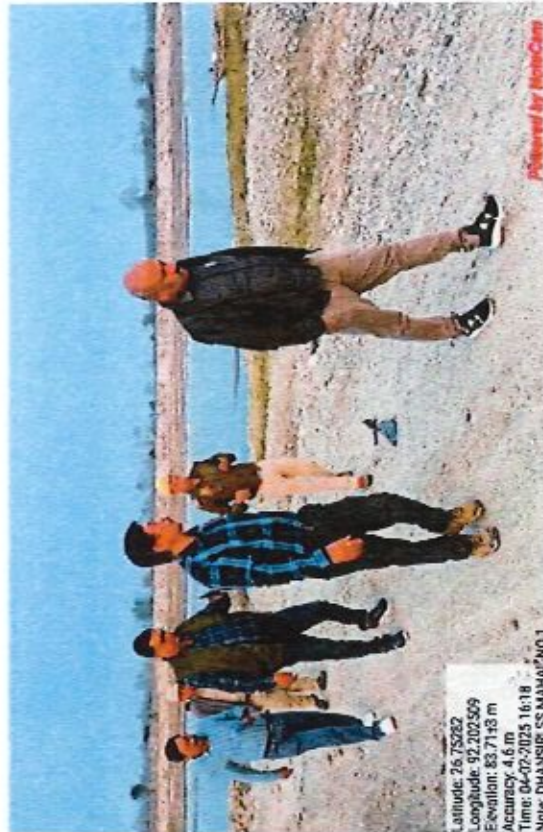
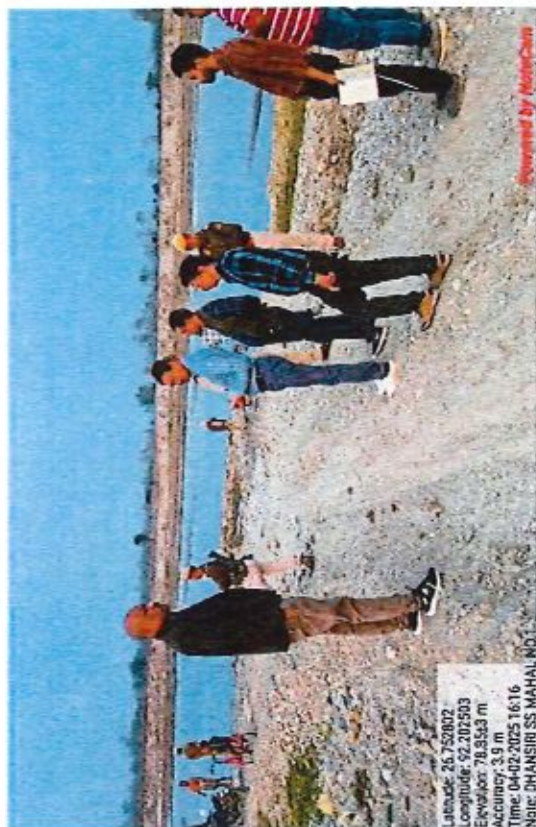
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# Appendix-'J'

NAME OF MAHAL:-DHANSIRI SS MAHAL NO.1 (DHANSIRI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST  
DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT:- 04-02-2025





# Appendix-'K'

NAME OF MAHAL: -LOKHAMPUR PP LAND MAHAL (PASNOI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST  
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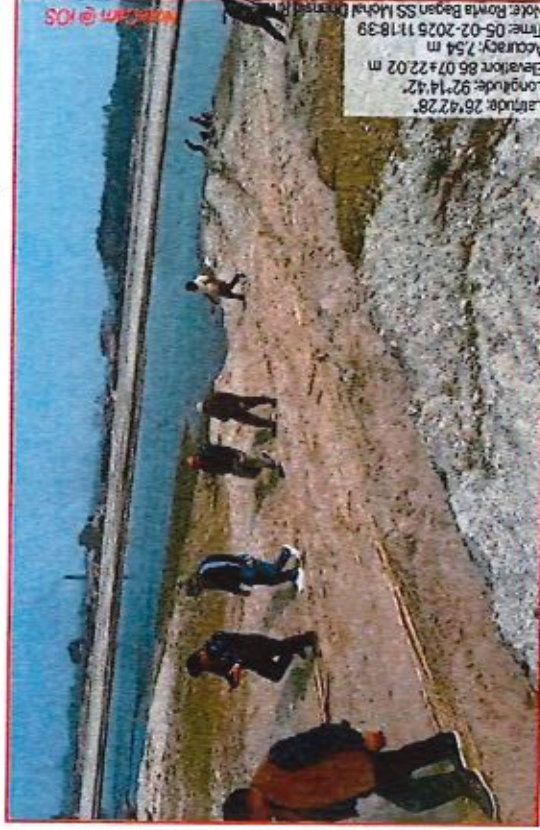
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# Appendix-'M'

NAME OF MAHAL: -ROWTA BAGAN SS MAHAL(DHANSIRI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST  
DIVISION, DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 05-02-2025





## Appendix-'N'

NAME OF MAHAL: -RANGAPANI SS MAHAL(DHANSIRI RIVER) UNDER DHANSIRI FOREST DIVISION,  
DIST- UDALGURI, DATE OF VISIT: - 05-02-2025

