

IDU MISHMI CULTURAL & LITERARY SOCIETY (IMCLS)

Registration no: SR/ITA/122 dt. 27/10/1987

Apex body of Mishmi (Idu) community

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NO.IMCLS/NTCA/25/2018-19/35-40

Dated the Roing 27th June'2019.

To,

✓ The Chief Secretary,
Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar

Sub:- Forwarding of minutes of meeting in context of notifying the Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary as a tiger reserve based on a project carried out by the Wildlife Institute of India, and funded by National Tiger Conservation Authority.

Ref. No:- NTCA's letter No.: F.No.15-12/2014-NTCA Dated the 3rd January,2019.

Respected sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, undersign would humbly like to draw the attention of your good office in context of notifying the Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary as a tiger reserve, based on project carried out by the Wildlife Institute of India and funded by National conservation Authority.

In this regard Idu Mishmi Cultural and Literary Society (IMCLS), the apex body organization of the Mishmi (Idu) community of Arunachal Pradesh through its letter **Dated Dec. 17th 2018** to NTCA had requested that the Idu Mishmi community wished to be consulted in context of notifying the Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary as a tiger reserve, tiger is intricately linked to our culture and belief system.

And in the same letter IMCLS had suggested a cultural model based on local tribal autonomy and sovereignty –and is based on upon strengthening local cultural values to conserve tigers.

Replying to which, vide its letter **No.: F.No.15-12/2014-NTCA Dated the 3rd January,2019** NTCA responded that the process of notifying a tiger reserve by the State Government concerned, is an inclusive process which requires consultation with experts in Ecology as well as Social Sciences. NTCA also drew our attention to **Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, amended 2006, section 38 V(4)(i) and 38 V (5); while suggesting that IMCLS be part of this process by approaching the State Authority concerned** (copy of letter enclosed as **Annexure-A**)

Based on which a public meeting was organized at Anini on **03/03/2019** at Government circuit house Anini under the aegis of Idu Mishmi Cultural and Literary Society,

Anini unit to draw the public opinion on the aforesaid matter, the public of Dibang Valley has unanimously resolved that **“NO TO TIGER RESERVE” without revisiting to the issue of Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary which was illegally notified through proclamation of notification of 1998 without obtaining the consent of the people (Scheduled Tribes inhabiting the area) as per provision laid down under Rules** (copy of Judgment order dated 06/08/2015 of the Hon’ble Gauhati High Court annexed as **Annexure-B** for ready reference). The minutes of meeting of aforesaid public meeting is also enclosed as **Annexure-C** for your kind reference.

Warm regards,

Yours faithfully,



(Ginko Lingi)

President (IMCLS)

Roing, Lower Dibang Valley,

Arunachal Pradesh

Dated the Roing 27th June’2019.

NO.IMCLS/NTCA/25/2018-19

Copy to:

- 1) The Chairman National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) First Floor, East Tower, NBCC Place, Bhishma Pitamah Marg New Delhi 110003 with reference to No.: F.No.15-12/2014-NTCA Dated the 3rd January,2019 NTCA for kind information.
- 2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.
- 3) The Chief Wildlife Warden, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.
- 4) The Inspector General of Forests (NTCA), Regional Office, Guwahati for information please
- 5) Shri Eva Mipi, Assistant General Secretary, IMCLS Dibang Valley Anini with reference to his letter dated 4th March’2019 for information please
- 6) Office copy.



(GinkoLingi)

President, (IMCLS)



Annexure-A

राष्ट्रीय व्याघ्र संरक्षण प्राधिकरण
NATIONAL TIGER CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अधीन स्थापित राष्‍ट्रिय निकाय
(Statutory Body under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India)

डॉ. अनूप कुमार नायक
DR. ANUP K. NAYAK

अधीन वन महानिदेशक (व्याघ्र परियोजना)
राष्‍ट्रिय सचिव (रा.व्या सं.प्रा.)
Addl. DGF (Project Tiger) &
Member Secretary (NTCA)

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F. No. 15-12/2014-NTCA

Dated the 3rd January, 2019

Dear Sri Ginko Lingi and Sri Rao Dele,

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 17, 2018 in context of notifying the Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary as a tiger reserve which is based on a project carried out by the Wildlife Institute of India, and funded by the National Tiger Conservation Authority.

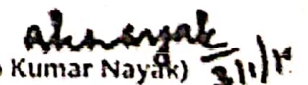
At the outset, I must place on record our appreciation for the Idu Mishmis and the Idu Mishmi Cultural and Literary Society to have fostered a congenial environment for tiger survival in the unique and challenging Dibang Landscape. At the same time I would like to inform that the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, amended 2006, has adequate provisions to address concerns raised by you vis-à-vis adopting the cultural model as suggested.

Further, the very process of notifying a tiger reserve by the State Government concerned, is an inclusive process which requires consultation with experts in Ecology as well as the Social Sciences. In this regard, your attention is drawn to Section 38 V(4)(i) and 38 V (5) of the said Act. It shall be prudent for you to be part of this process by approaching the State Authorities concerned, to whom I am marking this letter.

I once again pay my respect to the cultural relevance and reverence of the tiger by the Idu Mishmis.

Warm regards,


Yours sincerely,


(Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak) 3/1/19

Sri Ginko Lingi, President,
& Sri Rao Dele, Gen. Secretary,
Idu Mishmi Cultural & Literary Society (IMCLS),
H.Q. Roing, Lower Dibang Valley Dist.,
Arunachal Pradesh.

Copy to:

1. The Chief Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Arunachal Pradesh
3. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Arunachal Pradesh
4. The Inspector General of Forests (NTCA), Regional Office, Guwahati


THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT AT GUWAHATI
 (The High Court Of Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh)
 PRINCIPAL SEAT AT GUWAHATI

Case No : PE 51/2015

District : DIBANG VALLEY

Category : 10194 (Public Interest Litigations.)

1 NGASI MENA
 S/O LT. TIBU MENA FOUNDER CHAIRMAN OF POPU
 HERITAGE FOUNDATION, R/O ETALIN, DIBANG VALLEY
 DISTRICT, A.P.

Petitioner/appellant/applicant

Versus

1 THE STATE OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH AND 6 ORS
 REP. BY ITS CHIEF SECY., GOVT. OF ARUNACHAL
 PRADESH, CIVIL SECRETARIATE, ITANAGAR, A.P.

Respondent/Opp. Party

Advocates on record for Petitioner/appellant

1 S MOW
 2 M OPO

Advocates on record for Respondents

1 MR. K ETE
 2 GA. AP[RT&3-7]

CERTIFIED COPY OF JUDGEMENT / ORDER

BEFORE
 HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. SREEDHAR RAO, THE CHIEF JUSTICE (ACTNG.)
 AND
 HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P. K. SAIKIA

DATE OF ORDER : 06/08/2015

JUDGMENT AND ORDER (CAV)

(P. K. Saikia, J)

This proceeding has been initiated seeking following reliefs:-

"In view of the premises stated above, it is, therefore, prayed that the
 Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased:-

(i) To admit this writ petition and issue rule Nisi.

(ii) A writ of Mandamus shall not be issued, directing Respondents to
 de-notification/re-notification/alteration of boundaries of Dibang Wild

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view of various stances, taken by State respondents. Still then, we find it necessary to direct the petitioners herein to prefer a detailed and proper representation before the jurisdictional Deputy Commissioner for redressal of their grievances which allegedly accrued following proclamation of Notification of 1998 in an illegal manner.

12. In the event of filing such a representation by the petitioner before the jurisdictional Deputy Commissioner, he would look into the matter in accordance with the existing Rules and Procedures and then dispose of the same as early as possible preferably within a period of 6 months from the date of receipt of the representation.

Sd/-
Justice P.K. Saikia.
Judge

Sd/-
Justice K. Sreedhar Rao
Chief Justice (ACTG)

| DATE OF FILING APPLICATION | DATE WHEN COPY WAS READY | DATE OF DELIVERY | FEES PAID |
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Sl No. : 326677
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COMPARING ASSISTANT

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21/09/2015

To

The President
Idu Mishmi Cultural & Literary Society
HQ - Roing

Dated Anini, the 4th March, 2019.

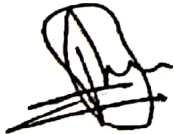
Sub: Forwarding of Minutes of the Meeting

Sir,

I would like to inform you that, as proposed a meeting was convened on 3rd March, 2019 regarding notification of Tiger Reserve at Dibang Valley District.

This is for your kind information and further necessary action please.

Yours faithfully



(Bachan Mipi) Assistant General Secretary
Idu Mishmi Cultural & Literary Society
Anini

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 03/03/2019 AT 1000HRS AT CIRCUIT HOUSE ANINI
REGARDING NOTIFICATION OF TIGER RESERVE IN DIBANG VALLEY DISTRICT.**

A meeting was convened by the IMCLS Dibang Valley unit to obtain view points from the indigenous people of the district regarding notification of Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary as a Tiger Reserve. The meeting started with the welcome address by Sri Tingoma Miri, Member IMCLS, he warmly welcomed all the members present in the meeting and highlighted the agenda of the meeting.

Sri Jando Taru, Public from Etalin Circle stated that, the declaration of Dibang wildlife Sanctuary has already deprived us as it was been declared by misrepresenting our poor illiterate elders, the DWS has covered 4,149 SqKm almost half of the total area of the district which is 9,129 Sqkm and notification of Tiger Reserve in such situation should not be accepted. The matter of Tiger reserve should be brought only after the re-demarcation and rationalization of the Sanctuary. He appreciated the proposal of IMCLS for preservation of Tiger through cultural prospects and suggested to consider the geographical aspect as well.

Sri Bata Mipi, Gaon Burah, Brango village expressed his gratitude to the IMCLS members for organising such public platform and collecting view points. He shared his experience of way back when the process of Proclamation of Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary was initiated; he articulated how DWS was declared without wide participation and by misrepresenting the indigenous of the district. He himself had objected to declaration of the Sanctuary as it was covering huge area of the district but his claims and objection were unheard. So as far as the Tiger reserve is concern he clearly and strongly condemned for creation of such reserve as the DWS covers almost half of the district again creation of such reserve would deprive us from our ancestral land.

Sri Emuko Miwu, GB Maronli as a priest shared his knowledge about the relationship of Tiger and Idu Mishmi tribe and explained how we coexisted.

Sri Ananta Meme, Public from Kronli -Mrambo stated that the mapping of Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary was done in close door without any proper physical workout and as a matter of concern if Tiger reserve is proposed a proper map should be made and brought to the notice of the Public.

Sri Mon Mohan Mihu, Member Idu Elite Society provided some data to the house regarding the funding done to the Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary, hundreds of crores have been spent in the name of financial assistance and other beneficiary components but it never reached to those who are deprived of their land. After such evidential record we are not in the mood of declaration of Tiger Reserve.

Sri Ilunji Mikhu, Secretary Dibang Valley Students Union gave his opinion that as the issue of Dibang wildlife Sanctuary is in the Court for re-demarcation and rationalization till then the issue of Tiger reserve should not be persuaded.

Sri Suli Mikhu, Secretary, All Gaun Burah Association, Arunachal Pradesh welcomed the initiatives taken up by the IMCLS and requested all the denizens of the district no to get lured by the representatives of the government for creation of Tiger Reserve.

Many speakers spoke and came to the same point that the matter of Tiger Reserve should not be taken up until and unless the existing Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary is re-demarcated.

Sri Naraju Mihu, Joint Secretary IMCLS Anini thanked all the members present in the meeting for giving valuable suggestions and opinion.

After collecting view points from every corner the house came to this conclusion that:

1. Every possible effort should be given on re-demarcation of Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary.
2. The indigenous people of this district do not encourage the Tiger Reserve Project until the matter of DWS is solved.



(Eva Mipi) Asstt. General Secretary
Idu Mishmi Cultural & Literary Society
Dibang Valley District
Anini

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Mr. Eva Mipi
Assistant General Secretary
Idu Mishmi Cultural & Literary Society (IMCLS)

FOLLOWING ~~MEMBERS~~ MEMBERS WERE PRESENT IN THE MEETING

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| 28. | Sri Janda Tarn | PAPF, COMMAN | 9436884109 | |
| 29. | Sri Eva Mipi | Asst. IMCLS | 9402457341 | |
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| 32. | " Hali Miwu | public | 9436048694 | |
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| 34. | " Emkay Tagn | " | | |
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| 38. | Sri Bandey Mipi | Public | 9436407409 | |
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Mr. Eva Mipi
 Assistant General Secretary
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