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No. 716-EN / T-II-7/003-ii/2003

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the power conferred by sub section (1) of section 37 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 (No. 18 of 2003) and rule 20 of the West Bengal Biological Diversity Rules, 2005, the State Government in consultation with the West Bengal Biodiversity Board (WBBB), hereby notifies the designated Compartments / Block falling under Darjeeling Forest Division as Tonglu Biodiversity Heritage Site and Dhotrey Biodiversity Heritage Site respectively, as detailed in the schedule given below:-

1. **Short Title.** – This notification may be called ‘Declaration of Tonglu Forests and Dhotrey Forests under the Darjeeling Forest Division as Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS)’. It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Kolkata Gazette.

2. **Extent of application.** – This notification shall apply to the Tonglu Medicinal Plant Conservation Area (MPCA) and Dhotrey Medicinal Plant Conservation Area (MPCA) under Darjeeling Forest Division. The details of the area and boundary of the Tonglu BHS and the Dhotrey BHS are given in the schedule below:-

3. **Land schedule:-**

3.1. **THE TONGLU BHS**

3.1.1. **The Area covered**

Forest Compartment	Proposed BHS area (ha)
Tonglu 2 (part)	35.0
Kankibong 3 (part)	155.0
Kankibong 4 (part)	40.0
Total	230.0 ha

3.1.2. **GPS-Coordinates: Tonglu BHS**

The boundaries of the proposed Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) are subtended by below mentioned GPS co-ordinates:-

Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)	Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)
1	27.0317	88.0717	17	27.0415	88.0872
2	27.0317	88.0717	18	27.0430	88.0890
3	27.0331	88.0713	19	27.0431	88.0906
4	27.0347	88.0713	20	27.0431	88.0916
5	27.0366	88.0716	21	27.0415	88.0920
6	27.0389	88.0726	22	27.0380	88.0925
7	27.0413	88.0732	23	27.0387	88.0935
8	27.0423	88.0735	24	27.0372	88.0962
9	27.0434	88.0751	25	27.0359	88.0945
10	27.0441	88.0767	26	27.0352	88.0932
11	27.0427	88.0780	27	27.0343	88.0913
12	27.0428	88.0810	28	27.0338	88.0915
13	27.0422	88.0818	29	27.0334	88.0913
14	27.0428	88.0838	30	27.0330	88.0906
15	27.0425	88.0857	31	27.0324	88.0893
16	27.0412	88.0863	32	27.0312	88.0873

Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)	Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)
33	27.0320	88.0834	45	27.0349	88.0776
34	27.0323	88.0832	46	27.0347	88.0773
35	27.0328	88.0830	47	27.0345	88.0769
36	27.0332	88.0828	48	27.0342	88.0765
37	27.0337	88.0823	49	27.0340	88.0762
38	27.0343	88.0816	50	27.0331	88.0751
39	27.0347	88.0813	51	27.0331	88.0750
40	27.0352	88.0807	52	27.0329	88.0747
41	27.0357	88.0805	53	27.0323	88.0735
42	27.0359	88.0791	54	27.0322	88.0731
43	27.0357	88.0786	55	27.0319	88.0724
44	27.0354	88.0779	56	27.0317	88.0717

3.1.3. Boundaries: Tonglu BHS

North – Compartment: Kankibong 3 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

South – Compartment: Tonglu 2, Kankibong 3 and Kankibong 4 of the Darjeeling Forest Division and the Indo-Nepal border identified by road running from Meghma to Tumling.

West – Compartment: Kankibong 4 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

East – Compartment: Tonglu 2 and Kankibong 3 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

3.2. THE DHOTREY BHS

3.2.1. The Area Covered

Forest Compartment	Proposed BHS area (ha)
Selimbong 3 (part)	20.00
Selimbong 4 (part)	95.00
Kankibong 1 (part)	65.00
Total	180.00 ha

3.2.2. GPS-Coordinates: Dhotrey BHS

The boundaries of the proposed Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) are subtended by below mentioned GPS co-ordinates:-

Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)	Waypoint	Latitude (° N)	Longitude (° E)
1	27.0598	88.1232	18	27.0672	88.1099
2	27.0599	88.1228	19	27.0676	88.1123
3	27.0592	88.1225	20	27.0680	88.1137
4	27.0594	88.1215	21	27.0698	88.1162
5	27.0586	88.1178	22	27.0707	88.1171
6	27.0586	88.1141	23	27.0708	88.1186
7	27.0583	88.1112	24	27.0680	88.1194
8	27.0589	88.1086	25	27.0668	88.1199
9	27.0607	88.1075	26	27.0647	88.1211
10	27.0618	88.1059	27	27.0638	88.1219
11	27.0631	88.1039	28	27.0636	88.1220
12	27.0635	88.1029	29	27.0631	88.1224
13	27.0645	88.1008	30	27.0624	88.1223
14	27.0657	88.1007	31	27.0620	88.1223
15	27.0668	88.1010	32	27.0613	88.1226
16	27.0663	88.1025	33	27.0601	88.1231
17	27.0659	88.1045	34	27.0598	88.1232

3.2.3. Boundaries: Dhotrey BHS

East – Compartment: Selimbong 4 and Kankibong 1 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

West – Compartment: Selimbong 3 and 4 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

North – Compartment: Selimbong 3 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

South – Compartment: Kankibong 1 of the Darjeeling Forest Division.

4. Management of the BHS shall be done through the concerned Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC), jointly with the MPCA Committee or respective Forest Protection Committee. Wherever the BHS extends to more than one local bodies, the management of the BHS shall be the responsibility of the Biodiversity Heritage Site Management Committee constituted by the BMCs or any other relevant local institutions linked to the local bodies in case BMC does not exist, approved by the West Bengal Biodiversity Board in consultation with the Forest Department, Govt. of West Bengal.

5. The collection of the species of plants, animals and microbes from the Biodiversity Heritage Site areas shall be regulated by the concerned BHS Committee under the guidance of the W. B. Biodiversity Board and the Department of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal and any infringement on the said declared site shall be dealt by the relevant section(s) of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and the Indian Forest Act, 1927.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/-

Chandan Sinha

Principal Secretary

to the Govt. of West Bengal

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 - 4) Chief Conservator of Forests, Hill Circle.
 - 5) Divisional Forest Officer, Darjeeling Division.
 - 6) Divisional Forest Officer, Silviculture (Hills).
 - 7) District Magistrate, Darjeeling.
 - 8) Chairman, Gorkha Territorial Administration.
- II
 - 1) Chairman, West Bengal Biodiversity Board.
 - 2) Member Secretary, WBBB & Chief Environment Officer, Deptt. of Environment.
 - 3) P.S. to the Hon'ble MIC, Deptt. of Environment.
 - 4) Director, State Medicinal Plants Board.
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 - 1) Chairman, National Biodiversity Authority and Addl. Secretary, MoEF.
 - ✓ 2) Secretary, National Biodiversity Authority.
 - 3) Director, Convention on Biological Diversity, MoEF.
 - 4) Director, Zoological Survey of India.
 - 5) Director, Botanical Survey of India.


Deputy Secretary