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### **NOTIFICATION**

No. B.12012/20/2013-FST, the 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. Whereas the Governor of Mizoram had notified its intention to extend existing core area of Dampa Tiger Reserve (Dampa Wildlife Sanctuary) covering an area of 500 Sq.km. by inclusion of the contiguous areas of Serhmun Village Council covering an area of 45 Sq.km in Dampa Wildlife Sanctuary bacause of its ecological, faunal, geo-morphological, natural or zoological significance and for the purpose of protecting, propaging or developing wildlife therein or its environment vide Preliminary Notification No.B.12012/20/2013 - FST dated 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

And whereas, as required under section 19 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and as directed by the Government of Mizoram, the District Collector, Mamit District carried out an inquiry into the existence, nature and extent of rights of any person in or over the land comprised within the limits of the proposed extension of Dampa Wildlife Sanctuary.

And whereas the Council of Ministers in its meeting held on 13th August, 2018 gave its approval for inclusion of Serhmun Village Council area covering 45 Sq.km. in the Dampa Tiger Reserve in view of conservation needs and the villagers' prior informed consent and initiatives.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 26A(1) of the Wildlife (Prorection) Act, 1972, the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to declare the areas specified in the schedule below as the revised core area of Dampa Tiger Reserve (Dampa Wildlife Sanctuary) with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the official Gazette.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Name of the Tiger Reserve

Dampa Tiger Reserve

Location

Western side of Mizoram along Indo-Bangladesh border between

Silsury and Bunghmun villages under Mamit District.

Legal status Area

Wildlife Sanctuary 545 Sq. Km

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**NORTH:** The boundary starts from the point where Sailui meets Sazalui (also known as Tuilianpui) and thence follows Sailui upstream up to the source and thence proceeds straight eastward crossing Persang ridge line meeting Thaichanglui and follows Thaichanglui upstream crossing BRTF road. Thence the boundary follows upstream of Thaichanglui upto about 100 metres and turns towards north running parallel to the ridge of Hachhek tlang upto the tributary of Kawrthindeng lui. Thence the boundary runs across the slope towards northwest upto about 3 Km crossing Malpui stream and Ulu Chhara till it meets Banruhtliah lui, a tributary of Gunda lui. The boundary then follows Banruhtliah lui/Gunda lui downstream till it meets Aitam lui; and it follows Aitam lui upstream eastward till it meets Serhmun - Bunghmun PWD road (KDZKT road). The boundary then follows the said PWD road northward till it meets the source of Ramri lui. It thence follows the said Ramri lui downstream till it meets Bakpuilui. It thence follows the said Bakpuilui upstream and goes to a saddle at Thuamluia's abandoned jhum land from where it turns towards north direction upto 209 Mtr along the ridge and meets Luitedam source. It thence follows Luitedam downstream till it meets Sengmatawk lui. The boundary thence follows Sengmatawk river upstream till it meets Thlerpui lui, a tributary of Sengmatawk lui. It then follows Therpui lui upstram till it meets Tuiluikawn-Serhmun PWD Road. It then runs along the said road southward and then eastward till it reaches R. Teirei at Teirei Forest.

**EAST:** From the point where BRTF road crosses Teirei river, the boundary follows Teirei river upstream upto its source and then runs straight towards south crossing a saddle where it meets phaileng - Marpara BRTF road, thence the boundary follows the said road southward upto Tuikhurlui stream near Phuldungsei.

SOUTH: The boundary follows Tuikhurlui downstream westward crossing inter village footpath of Phuldungsei and Saithah crossing Vaisamtlang. Thence it follows another stream Thingthupui lui from its source towards west downstream upto the meeting point with Hmarluang lui. Thence follows Hmarluang lui upstream southward upto its source which is saddle and after crossing the saddle it meets the source of Aivapui lui. Thence the boundary follows Aivapui lui downstream towards south and southwest till it meets Tuilianpui (Saza lui).

**WEST:** The western boundary then follows Tuilianpui (Saza lui) upstream northward till it meets Sailui at the starting point.

This notification shall not affect the right of innocent passage of any person or vehicle through the existing State highway passing through the sanctuary.

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