



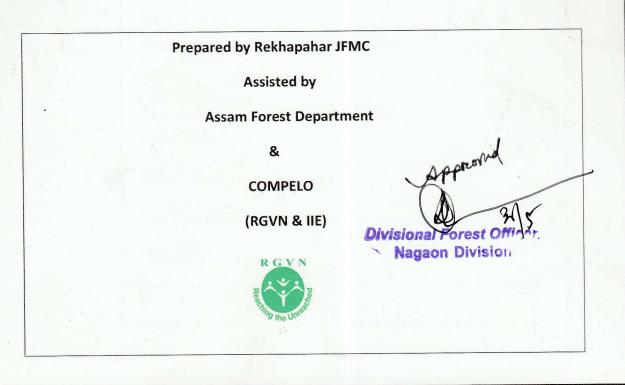


**Rekhapahar Joint Forest Management Committee** 

## Nagaon Division, Nagaon

# MICRO-PLAN

(2016-17 to 2025-26)



# List of Acronyms

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FYP     Five Year Plan	FYP	Five Year Plan	
GHG Green House Gases	GHG	Green House Gases	
GoI     Government of India	GoI	Government of India	

GP	GaonPanchayat
На	Hectare
IEC	Information Education & Communication
IIE	Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship
JFMC	Joint Forest Management Committee
MDR	Major District Roads
MGNREGS	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
MoEFCC	Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
NTFP	Non Timber Forest Produce
OBC	Other Backward Classes
ODR	Other District Roads
PCCF	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
РНС	Primary Health Center
PMU	Project Monitoring Unit
PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal
REDD+	Reducing Emission from Deforestation and Forest Degradation Plus
RGVN	RashtriyaGraminVikasNidhi
RO	Range Officer
Sc	Scheduled Caste
SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
SLF	Sustainable Livelihood Framework
Spp	Species
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ST	Scheduled Tribe
SWOT	Strength Weakness Opportunity & Threat
TV	Taungya Village
TV	Television
WLS	Wildlife Sanctuary
WPA	Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
WPC	Working Plan Circle

## Glossary of Vernacular Name of Trees, Shrubs, Herbs and Other Plants

## TREES

Names
gallocha
losa
niaflosreginae
indica
llichii
agnifera
semblica
ca
lata
ibelerica
aylvatica
aamygdalina
losa
edunculata
nelos
ndicum
iflora
raecox
jube

Bohat	Artocaprpuslakoocha
Bon-lichu	Nepheliumlongana
Bon-poniol	Miliusaroxburghiana
Borpat	Ailanthus grandis
Bor-thakera	Garciniapedunculate
Gendheli-poma	Dysoxylumhamiltonii
Ghora-neem	Meliaazedarach
Hilikha	Terminaliacitrina
Hingori	Castanopsis species
Hoanlu	Listsaeapolyantha
Jamuk	Syzygiumcuminii
Jati-poma	Toonaciliala
Kadam	Anthocephaluscadamba
Kathal	Artocarpusintegrifolia
Kathi-jamuk	Syzygiumcuminii
Leteku	Baccaureasapida
Manipuri urahi	Parkiaroxburghii
Mani Sal	Sapindusmukorosii
Modar	Erythrinastricta
Mahudi	Croton joufra
Мој	Albizzialucida
Nahar	Mesuaferea

Dilleniaindica
Flacourtiacataphracta
Toonaciliala
Shorearobusta
Alstoniascholaris
Cassia fistula
Cinnamomumtamala
Tamarindusindica
Talaumaphellocarpa
Dilleniaindica
Bischofiajavanica
Sterculiavillosa

## LIST OF NTFP

Local Name	Scientific Name
Bon Naharu	Allium tuberosumRottl. Ex Spreng
Bontulasi	Ocimumbasilicum L
Dhekia	Diplaziumesculentum
Kolmou	Ipomea aquatic Frosk
MatiKanduri	Alternantherasessilis (L)
Pippali	Piper longum L

Tora	Alpiniaallughas
Kochu	Colocasiaesculenta L

## LIST OF HERBS & SHRUBS

Local Name	<u>Scientific Name</u>
Abu-Tenga	Antidesmaacidum Retz
Agora	TriumfettarhomboideaJacq
Assam lota	Eupatorium odoratum
Bogitora	Alpiniamolluccensis
Bhat-tita	Solanumtorvum Swartz
Bhedelilata	Hedyotisscandens
Bhekuri	Solanumindicum
BhotuaXak	Chenopodium album Linn
BorManimuni	Hydrocotyleasiatica Linn
Bondhonia	Ranunculussceleratus Linn
Durunxak	Leacuslanata
Dighlati	LitseaSalicifolia
Helochi	Enhydrafluctuans Lour
Jamlakhuti	Costus specious Sm
Kana-ximalu	CommelinaduffusaBarun F
Kaupat	Phrynium species

Khutura	Amaranthusvirdis Linn
Lajukilota	Mimosa pudica Linn
Mati-kaduri	Altermantherasessils (L) Br
Makhi-loti	Flemingiastrobilifera
Ikora	Phragmiteskakra (Retz) Trin
Tengesi	Marsileaqudrifolia
Tita-phul	Phlogocanthusthyrsiflorus
Xaru-manimuni	HydrocotylesibthorpioidesLimk

## LIST OF GRASSES

Local Name	<u>Scientific Name</u>
Ikra (Ekra)	Erinthusravaneae
Jarmaniban	Eupatorium odoratum
Kush	Saccharumspontaneum
Meghela	Saccharumarundinaceum
Nal	Phragmiteskarka
Sau	Pollinia ciliate
Sungress	Imperataarundinacea

## LIST OF BAMBOOS

Local Name	Scientific Name
Bojal	Pseudostachympolymorphum
Hill-jati	Bambusa pallid
Kanta	Bambusaarundinaceae
Muli	Melocannabambusoides

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PART-I

### 1. Introduction

#### **1.1 About the Project**

The vision of the Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (APFBC) is 'to enable sustainable forest and biodiversity conservation and management in Assam through multi-scale integrative planning and involvement of forest dependent communities in target areas and giving fillip to their livelihood activities through sustainable use of forest and nonforest resources'. The project's objective has been stated as: 'In collaboration with the forest dependent communities, to restore forest eco-systems to enhance the forest dependent community's livelihoods and ensure conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity'.

The above project is being mainly funded by the *Agence France de Développement* (AFD) - i.e. the French Development Agency, with co-funding from the Government of Assam. The Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Society (APFBC Society) has the mandate for planning, implementation, monitoring, coordination and management of all the activities under the above mentioned project.

#### 1.2 Micro-Planning & Livelihood Development

In order to promote livelihood activities through market potential based value addition; the present project intends to take up activities like entrepreneurship promotion, product processing value addition and marketing under this project. This has become necessary on account of the pressures on existing forest resources due to the growth of population. There is a need to explore value addition to the existing forest and biodiversity products and services, based on the market potential. In addition, non-forest based livelihoods need to be explored and the capacities of the community members need to be built-up through skills development initiatives.

A consortium comprising of Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) Guwahati and *Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Nidhi* (RGVN) has been formed to implement (*inter*-alia) the micro-planning and livelihood development under the above project. The above consortium has been titled as 'Consulting Service for Micro Planning Enhancing Livelihood Opportunities' - COMPELO in short.

As per project guidelines, this micro-plan includes 'various operations of village and forest development ... livelihood support of forest dependent members and keeping sustainable forest management as the broad objective'. It includes both forest development and livelihood development.

#### **1.3 Micro-Plan for the REKHAPAHAR JFMC**

This document gives the Micro-Plan for the Rekhapahar JFMC, which is located in Nagaon district of Assam. The JFMC falls under the jurisdiction of the Nagaon Division of the Northern Assam Circle. The profile of the community is given in the next section.

## 2. General Description of the Area

#### 2.1 General Description

The area of Nagaon Forest Division consists of 19 (nineteen) Reserved Forests and 16 (sixteen) Proposed Reserved Forests within the modified boundaries of the civil District of Morigaon and two Sub Divisions vizNagaon and Koliabor under Nagaon District within the geographical limits of East Longitude- $92^{0}0'$  (%  $93^{0}30'$ , North Latitude- $25^{0}30'$  (%  $26^{0}30'$ ).

The district wise distributions of these reserves are shown below:

a. Nagaon District (Nagaon & Kaliabor Sub divisions)

- 1. Borpani RF
- 2. Lutumari RF
- 3. Pilkhana RF
- 4. 1st addition to Jakota RF
- 5. Hirapuja RF
- 6. Daboka (part) RF
- 7. Kafitoli RF
- 8. Bamuni RF
- 9. North Dijoo RF
- 10. South Dijoo RF
- 11. Swang RF
- 12. Bagser RF
- 13. Kamakhya Hill RF
- 14.Madhapara PRF
- 15. 1<sup>st</sup> addition to Borpani (Dhansila) PRF
- 16. Kondoli PRF
- 17. Deosur Hill PRF
- 19. Hatimura PRF
- 20. Salbari PRF
- 21. Sakuranga PRF
- 22. Borjuri PRF
- 23. Dholpahar PRF
- 24. Lengteng PRF

25. KothalguriLalpahar PRF

b. Morigaon District

- Sonaikuchi RF
   Sonaikuchi RF
   Kholahat RF
   Borbari RF
   Killing RF
   Duadoloni RF
   TeteliaBoghora RF
   Basundhari PRF
   Boha PRF
   CharaihagiHatimuria PRF
   Gobardhan PRF
- Most of the Reserves are situated on the outlying stretches of the Karbi-AnglongHils and Meghalaya Hills and often contain steep slopes such as are found in the Sonaikuchi KholahatDaboka (part), Kafitoli, Swang, South Dijoo&Bagser. The slopes are comparatively moderate and terrain is more or less undulating with khurkhani mounds dotted with beels and swamps in case of the reserves.

#### 2.2 Location

The reserves are not well distributed over the territory of the division. Most of the reserves are situated on the Southern part of the division. Out of the 22 Nos of reserve forests 13 reserves are situated along the periphery of the common boundaries in between Nagaon and Karbi- Anglong and the state of Boundaries of Meghalaya. The total area of the reserve forests of the entire division is approximately 371 square km.

The reserves are situated between the geographical limits of East Longitude 92°0'& 93 30' and North Latitude 25° 30' and 26° 30'.

#### 2.3 Soil Type

The southern slopes of the Khasi Hills are said to be of gneissic origin. Nearly the whole of the NorthKarbi-Anglong hills are composed of massive gneiss or foliated granite. The gneiss is

composed mostly of quartz feldspar with magnetic hornblende and mica. A mottled earthy trap is often found at the junction of gneiss and the sedimentary rocks, but there is a remarkable absence of trap dykes in the gneissic area. There are great quantities of ferruginous sandstone passing locally into sandy haematite and haematitic conglomerate.

In the hilly areas, the soil found in the forest is generally clayey loam which is good and suitable for the forest growth. It is generally deep, except on some hill slopes where rocks occur near the surface. In the hills, the soil is derived by the decomposition and weathering of mostly gneiss or sand stones. It is reddish in colour due to the presence of ferruginous material in both rocks and is of very fine texture, so that it becomes extremely slippery and claylike when wet, though when dry it looks friable and sandy. On exposure, the soil on the ridges and slopes loses its fertility very quickly due to washing away of the fine material and with it the organic and mineral matter.

In the plains, the soil is of alluvial origin and can be divided into classes viz, (a) Brahmaputra alluvium up to Kollong river (b) JamunaKapili alluvium. The differences in the soil are due to the rocks in the sources of the river being geographically different and also due to the rates of flow and rise and subsidence of flood water, which determines the size of the particles deposited being different. There is more Sand and Silt in the Brahmaputra alluvium.

#### 2.4 Water

There are a number of rivers and streams which runs through or flows along the neighbourhood of the reserves of the division, and scarcity of water is not common except on the top of the hills. The principal river is the Brahmaputra which flows along the whole of the Northern boundary of the terrain into which all the drainage of the drainage of the division ultimately finds its ways. The Kollong is the most important water course of the Division, which gets many drainage coming from Karbi-Anglong, N.C. Hills & empties itself into the Brahmaputra.

The water table is generally high and sinking of well is not difficult. During rains, the water level rises even within 5 feet in some places and during the driest part of the year, it does not generally sink below 30 feet.

#### 2.5 Climate

The climate is characterized by the excessive humidity in the air and the rise of temperature is checked by frequent showers and thunder storms. The change of season is therefore not marked by the extreme contrasts of temperature and humidity. The annual rainfall, on an average varies from 2.96 mm to 341.62 mm. A comparatively dry zone with average rainfall between 1270 to 1524 inches exists around Dhing (Brahmaputra plains).

#### 2.6 Ecosystem & Bio-diversity

The forests of the tract dealt with comes generally under the type Northern Tropical Moist Deciduous Forests (Sub group - 36). The Forests included under this type fall into two categories, sal forests and the rest. But biotic factors like age long shifting cultivation, unregulated felling and uncontrolled burning have given rise to a number of variations and for the purpose of convenient description, the following classification has been adopted:-

- I) Sal Type
- II) Dry miscellaneous type
- III) West Miscellaneous type
- IV) Riverine type
- V) Savannah type
- VI) Swamp type

The sal bearing reserves are situated, with the Sonaikuchi Reserve in south West and ending in the Dijoo Valley (North) reserve in the north east. A number of other species also occur mixed with sal according to the local variations in the site. Species like Koroi, Jamuk, Ajhar, Sam etc., occupy the moist localities, while Gomari, Sopa, Amari, Poma, Bhelu, Simul etc., occupy the typical sal areas.

The main tree species found in the Reserve forests are Ajhar, Bhelkor, Kholiori, Bajiow, Tinpati, Amlokhi, Soura, Bon-Jamuk, etc. It is also comprise of Bhelkor, Ajhar, Bamboo, Amlokhi, Kholiori, Bon-Jamuk, Soura, Kanchan, Tinpati, Dhekia, Tora, Keturi, Jarmoni, Murphula etc.

#### 2.7 Concern of Bio-diversity Conservation

- Illegal trespass and settlement, fishing, poaching, grazing and felling and removal of trees and timber and other forest produce
- Flood and River Erosion: Flood causes bank erosion and cuts away slices of reserves on main river bank taking away plantations and valuable forests under simul, and other species, as has been generally happening in Sonaikuchi, Kukurakata Hill reserves.

- **Storms:** Storms are experienced during the rains and are responsible for breaking and uprooting of trees. The damage is more visible in the open Sal forests.
- Fires Plantations raised in grassland are vulnerable to fire danger.
- Annual Floods: Floods are an annual phenomena in the Brahamaputra valley of Assam. With the onset of flood, wild animals usually washed away and are found to be injured killed.

#### 2.8 Rights and Concession

The details of rights and concessions granted to the people as mentioned against each of the reserve forest as per notifications published at the time of initial constitution of the reserves are

i. Borpani RF - Rights of way by the following paths passing through the reserve was granted:

- (a) Singimari to Bothalangsu
- (b) Singimari to Lengri

ii. Lutumari RF- The following rights was granted to the public:

(a) The path from Dahpara to Borthol

(b) The path from Domaithagi to the Borpani River

iii. Bagser RF- Public rights of way by the following paths passing through the reserve was granted:

(a)From Phulaguri village to Kahangtaran.

(b)From Sirang (Deosur) village to Kahangtaran

## 3. Village Socio-Economic Profile and JFMC Profile

## **3.1 Key Information**

Rekhapahar is a revenue village and is located in Nagaon District. The JFMC was registered on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2002 (Appendix III as per the registration certificate) under the jurisdiction of NagaonDivision. This forest village is located in the R.F.

Name of the JFMC	Rekhapahar
Name of the Gram	Anjukpani
Panchayat / VCDC	
Revenue Circle	Koliabor
District	Nagaon
Forest Division	Nagaon
Forest Range	Salonah
Forest Beat	Salbari
Year Formed	2002
Registration no.	NAC/N/16
Description of Boundary	As below
of JFMC	North: Karbi Hill
	South: North Dijoo Reserve Forest
	West: Salonah tea Estate
	East: Lengteng Tea Estate

## **Table-A: Key Information of the JFMC**

Source: JFMC Records & Discussions during PRA Exercise in March 2017

### **3.2 Brief Details of the Executive Committee**

The brief details of Executive Committee & General Body of the JFMC are contained in the table, which is given below.(**Appendix IV**- Signed list, **APPENDIX V-** Group photo of the JFMC members)

Name	Age	Guardian's Name/	Educational	Phone No	Designation
		Address	qualification		
Horen Borah	65	C/o Lt Deben Borah	H.S.L.C.	9132603514	President
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
A.K. Nazimul	45	Forest Range Office,	Graduate	9854587447	Member
Ahmed		Salonah			Secretary
Surjya	55	C/o Lt Nirmal	H.S.L.C.	9613581548	Member
Rajbongshi		Rajbongshi			
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Anima Saikia	65	C/o Lt SushilSaikia	H.S.L.C.		Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Runu	40	C/o Joydeep	Primary	9613076401	Member
Rajbongshi		Rajbongshi,			
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
GopalKalita	36	C/o Lt DiporuKalita	H.S.L.C.	9859231906	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Maseda Khatun	27	C/o Mohammad	Primary	9854331107	Member
		Rajav Ali			
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
SabaSanga	30	C/o Lt SamburSanga	H.S.L.C.	7399314295	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Popi Borah	22	C/o Mousum Borah	H.S.L.C.	9577251662	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
JiyabuHaque	23	C/o Lt Amsoi Ali	H.S.L.C.	8811943442	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
DevjaniRajbong	35	C/o	Primary	9577084297	Member

**Table-B: Brief Details of Executive Committee** 

shi		DhirenRajbongshi			
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
GoneshSaikia	40	C/o DhirenSaikia	Primary	8811849790	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
BiswajitRajak	22	C/o Ganga Rajak	Primary	9859630766	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Mohammad	60	C/o Lt Kitab Ali	Primary	9613080832	Member
Sidhik Ali		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
Bana Orang	45	C/o Donesh Orang	H.S.L.C.	9613841890	Member
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			
BirenRajbongsh	42	C/o Lt. Nirmal	Primary	8752852645	Member
i		Rajbongshi			
		Rekhapahar, Nagaon			

**Source**: JFMC Records

#### 3.3 Households & Population Composition

The village has 152 households, of which 142 households are BPL (Below Poverty Line) households.

Demography							
Catagowy	No of Households	Male	Female	Total			
Category	5	11	9	20			
Gen			-				
OBC	8	21	12	33			
ST	5	13	12	25			
SC	2	3	6	9			
Min	22	69	63	132			
Other	110	283	238	521			
Total	152	400	340	740			

The total population is 740 of which 400 are male and the rest are female members. The population includes 132 Minority, 9 SC, 25 ST, 33 OBC, 20 General and 521 Other persons.

From this, it is inferred that:

- (1) The average number of persons in a household is 5
- (2) The sex ratio is 850 females per 1000 males in the village.

Age and Sex Distribution							
Age Class< 5 years							
Male	23			52	21		
Female	25	134 98	170 175	31	11		
Total	48	232	345	83	32		

#### 3.4 Education & Skills Development

The education profile of the JFMC is given in Table E below.

**Table-E : Education Profile** 

Age	Primary Middle		le High H.S G		Graduate	Masters	Illiterate
class	I I IIIIai y	Wilduit	School	11.0	Graduate	Masters	micrait
<25	98	96	67	31	3	0	21
years	20	20	07	51	5	0	21
>25	87	75	59	22	1	0	132
years	07	15	57		1	0	152
Total	185	171	126	126	4	0	153

Over 77.89% of the population is reported to be literate.

Livelihood skills are usually acquired under various settings – formal & informal. In the JFMC area, informal means for skills development is the traditional norm. People have traditional skills in the following areas:

- (a) Small scale tea cultivation
- (b) Agriculture

### 3.5 Land Use Pattern

From the land-use pattern of the village, it is seen that the land-use in the village is as follows:

Crop Land: 3.21% Tree Cover: 21.42 Habitation: 53.56 Water Bodies: 0.37% Other (Tea Plantation): 21.42%

#### **3.6 Land Holding Pattern**

From the type of households as per land-holding, it is seen that:

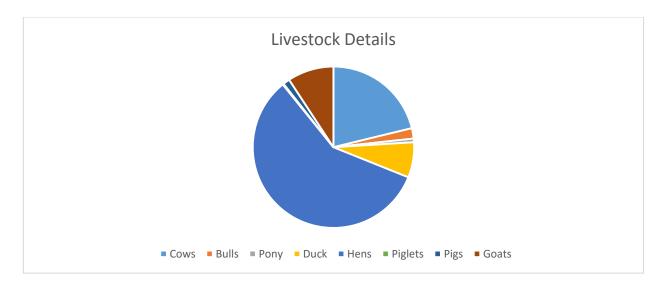
- 6.25% of the households are landless;
- 87.5% of the households are marginal farmers (less than 2 Ha);
- 6.25% of the households are small farmers (2-10 Ha)

#### 3.7 Livestock

The main types of livestock possessed by the households include:

#### **Table: Livestock Details**

Sl.No	Livestock	Number
1	Cows	204
2	Bulls	20
3	Pony	7
4	Duck	68
5	Hens	559
6	Piglets	2
7	Pigs	13
8	Goats	89



## 3.8 Village Infrastructure & Communication Facilities

In any community, the availability of basic infrastructure enables the development of sustainable livelihood options. The present condition of infrastructure in the village is not satisfactory. This gives the present status of the village infrastructure.

		Location	Number	Approxim	Condition and
SI.	Point Infrastructure	inside	(If	ate	status of
No		village or	applicable)	Distance	present use
		Outside		from	
				Village, if	
				outside	
				(m/Km)	
1	Bus stand	Out	2	12 km	Good
2	Primary Health Centre	Out	1	16 km	Good
3	Primary School	In	2		Good
4	Middle School	Out	1	3 km	Good
5	High School	Out	1	3 km	Good
6	HS School	Out	1	25 km	Good
7	College	Out	1	25 km	Good

## **Table-F: Physical Infrastructure**

8	Post Office	Out	1	3 km	Good
9	Bank	Out	1	10 km	Good
10	Telephone				
11	Anganwadi Centre	In	4	200 km	Good
12	Gram Panchayat Office	Out	1	6km	Good
13	Revenue Circle Office	Out	1	25 km	Good
14	Police Outpost/ Thana	Out	1	10 km	Good
15	Forest Beat Office	Out	1	10 km	Good
16	Forest Range Office	Out	1	15 km	Good
17	Railway Station	Out	1	12 km	Good
18	Drinking Water Sources				
19	Community Hall	In	1	100 m	Good
20	House with Electricity		100		
21	Street Lighting	No			
22	No. of Tractors	No			
23	No. of Power Tillers	No			
24	Temple/ Church/ Mosque/ Namghar		Temple: 2 Church: 1 Mosque:2 Namghar:1		
25	District Head Quarter	Out	1	45 km	Good
26	No. of Vehicles(Cars/ Trucks)				
27	No. of JCB				
28	Nearest Market	Out	1	7 km	Good

From the above table, the following have been noted with regard to village infrastructure:

**Physical Infrastructure:** The habitation is deprived of basic physical infrastructure like water supply while the condition of roads are considerably better.

**Education & Health Facilities:** There are minimal educational and health facilities. Public transport is not available, and the community members have to use bicycles to move around.

**Govt. Offices**: The government offices (such as Police station, Revenue office, Forest Beat office etc.) are located at a considerable distance.

**Financial Inclusion**: Facilities for financial inclusion like bank and post office are located at a considerable distance from the habitation which hampers the overall efficiency.

#### 3.9 Agriculture/Crops

The main crops grown in the village are Sali paddy and tea cultivation.

The production and yield of these crops is given as follows:

(a) Sali Paddy: Production:200 Quintal; Yield:1,500 kg /ha

#### 3.10 Fodder Availability

The village depends on the nearby forest. The main sources of the fodder in the village are as follows:

- a) Local market
- b) Homestead areas

#### 3.11 Markets

The main markets used by the community are as follows:

- (a) Grocery / PDS: Rekhapahar JFMC
- (b) Weekly / Bi-weekly Market: Salonah and Misa at 10km away
- (c) Major Market: Nagaon at 45 km away

#### 3.12 Water Resources

The main water resources with the water availability are as follows:

- (a) Ring well 100 nos. (Water Availability: Poor)
- (b) Supply water Not functional

#### **3.13 Energy Consumption**

The major sources of energy in the village have been listed below.

- (a) Fuel wood: Households Depending: 160 Nos. ; (Source: Forest)
- (b) Kerosene: Households Depending: 160 Nos. ;(Source: Other)
- (c) LPG: Households Depending: 5 Nos. ; (Source: Gas Agency)
- (d) Electricity: Households Depending: 100 Nos. ; (Source: Government)

#### 3.14 Socio-economic status

**Social set-up:** The village is inhabited by Assamese, Karbi, Muslim and Adivasi communities. They have a caste system. The society is marked by social divisions. The observed position of women is not satisfactory.

**Economic Condition:** The economic position is / not satisfactory. The main livelihood is Tea garden labourers and agriculture. Most households earn Rs. 30,000 to Rs. 50,000 per annum. Additional details are available in the next section.

#### 4. Livelihood assets profile and vulnerability contexts

This section deals with the livelihood assets and their current status in the village. The vulnerability context has also been analysed in the section

#### 4.1 Livelihood Assets Analysis

As per the sustainable livelihood framework (SLF) there are five most important livelihood assets i.e. Human capital, financial capital, social capital, natural capital and physical capital that are needed for livelihood enhancement in a village. The status of the five capitals have been analysed and are given below:

#### **Human Capital**

With regard to the human capital in the area, the existing skills, literacy rate, professional profile are the major points of emphasis. The percentage of literates in Rekhapahar is 77.89% denoting a high literacy rate. In terms of the skills in the village, there are 20 women involved in weaving, 5 in cane and bamboo craft, 3 women in tailoring and 15 men in masonry. These skills could be further enhanced with the application of specialised training to act as a source of income.

In terms of the professional profile, there are people working as shopkeepers, tea garden labourers, farmers and other.

These factors play a major role in the overall development of the village. Educated and well skilled people would help improve the individual economic conditions along with the conditions of the village as well. 57.43% of the population is in the working age group, which shows a high potential of workforce in the area.

#### **Physical Capital**

The development of a village is also based on the kind of physical infrastructure that exists. Provision of basic facilities such as drinking water, electricity, health care and education is a crucial task. With regard to Rekhapahar, in terms of educational infrastructures, there are 2 primary schools located in the village, while the middle and high schools are at a distance of 3 km each. On the other hand, higher educational facilities such as colleges and HS schools are 25km away. Educational facilities in the village would help improve the literacy rates in the village.

The condition of roads in the village is rather good but it lacks in terms of transportation and communication. Drinking water facilities are also not adequate which creates a number of

issues to meet daily needs. Hence, attention needs to be paid to help develop the basic physical needs of the village

### Natural Capital

The natural capital of the village is rich with a wide variety of flora and fauna that is available. Rekhapahar is located in the fringes of the Salona Reserved Forests which adds to the wide natural habitat. Presence of a wide variety of animals such as elephants, wild boars, pythons, cobras and birds such as cuckoo, doves, hornbills etc. There are rivers such as Langkhang and Dijoo but the quality of water is rather poor.

There is a total of 100 bighas of fertile land which provides area for growing crops such a Sali paddy and act as a source of income for the people.

#### **Social Capital**

Focusing on the social capital in the village, the emphasis is on the various institutions of religions, culture and social life. With regard to the presence of religious institutions, since the communities are diverse, there are 2 mosques, 1 namphar, 1 chruch and 2 temples in the area. There are 4 angadwadi centres in the village which looks after the pre natal care for women and post birth child care. The panchayat helps in the fulfilment of administrative duties in the

village and the village headman helps in resolving social conflicts that arise.

#### Financial Capital

Financial capital of a village focuses on the availability of financial institutions and the awareness of the people with regard to the various advantages that the institutions can provide. In Rekhapahar, the bank and post office are both located outside the village at a distance of 10km and 3km respectively. There are 120 people with bank accounts and the same number of people have availed the provisions of micro finance.

A strong financial literacy is a big boon for the people to help enhance their economic condition. The community should be made aware of the various government schemes available for their benefits and to provide them with financial aid.

#### 4.2 Livelihood Asset Pentagon

Based on the analysis and assessment of the existing five livelihoods assets in the village a livelihood pentagon was studied. The livelihood pentagon is not balanced and gaps could be plugged by taking appropriate livelihood strategies and actions that are mentioned in the village development plan and livelihood development plan

#### 4.3 Vulnerability Context Analysis:

The existing vulnerabilities of a village such as animal depredation, diseases etc. hamper the overall development despite it being rich in all five livelihood capitals. These have a negative impact on the livelihood enhancement of a village.

With regard to Rekhapahar, it faces vulnerabilities such as elephant depredation which occurs almost all throughout the year disrupting the crops and damaging property as well. The village also faces pest attack damaging the agricultural crops. There are also the diseases such as malaria which spreads during the months of May to August, while dysentery affects during the months of April, May and June.

#### 4.4 Seasonality:

The seasonality calendar has been prepared in consultation with the community. It showcases the various cropping seasons that exist in the village along with the various hazards/diseases that occur.

In Rekhapahar, Sali Paddy is cultivated as a major crop during the months of July-December.It is evident from the above calendar that the JFMC area is susceptible to many kinds of hazards such as elephant depredation almost all through the year. Along with the spread of seasonal diseases such as malaria and dysentery. There are also instances pest attack from May to December which ruin standing crops in the agricultural fields.

	Months											
Particulars	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Crops					Sali Paddy							
	Elephant Depredation											
Hazards					Pest attack							
					Malaria							
Diseases				D	ysente	ry						

#### Seasonality Calendar of Rekhapahar JFMC

### 5. Existing Plans and programs

This Chapter deals with certain essential linkages with other key planning and execution mechanisms and processes which have direct bearing upon micro planning. The topmost among these is the Working Plans which provide an overall umbrella for sustainable development and forestry and wildlife conservation in forest areas of the State. In wildlife areas, these plans are known as Management Plan, and in Tiger Reserves, as Tiger Conservation Plans. In addition, there are several plan scheme components such as the Tribal Sub Plan (TSP), and Scheduled Caste Component Plan (SCP) which also get implemented in forest villages through the Forest Department. There are several line departments providing health, education, power, irrigation and livelihood services. Often these departments also implement schemes in the forest villages.

After the promulgation of the Assam Joint (Peoples' Participation) Forestry Management Rules, 1998 in Assam, the joint forest management got initiated, and the JFMCs and EDC were constituted in 2002. Prior to this, some working plans had prescriptions for joint forest management or constituted JFM circles. However, the National Working Plan Code, 2014 gave the right impetus to the microplanning and has incorporated detailed guidelines to this effect. This Microplan is based on the 2014 National Working Plan Code.

#### 5.1 Linkages with Working Plan

The thickly populated parts of the present day Nagaon, earlier spelt as Nowgong, were amongst the chosen targets of violence during the Burmese rule in the late 1810s. There was no leadership to organize resistance movement against the Burmese. The people heaved a sigh of relief when the British came down heavily on the Burmese and compelled them to withdraw from Assam. Following the treaty of Yandaboo in 1826, this area of the province passed off silently into the hands of the British. Nagaon was carved out as a separate district administrative unit in 1832. It took a couple of years before the British finally settled on the present site on the bank of the Kollong River as the district headquarters in 1839. The district headquarters was called Nagaon and gradually it emerged into a town. It became a municipality in 1893.

It is based on the Working plan of Nagaon Division (2000-2001 to 2009-2010) by Sri Shashi Kant Srivastava, IFS. In order to obtain the various objectives set for the management purpose of the working plan, the following six circles were constituted:

a. Sal Working Circle (S.W.C)

b. Teak Working Circle (T.W.C)

- c. Miscellaneous Plantation Working Circle (M.P.W.C)
- d. Afforestation Working Circles (A.W.C)
- e. Bamboo Overlapping Working Circle (B.O.W.C)
- f. Protection Working Circle (P.W.C)

#### **5.1.2 Protection of Forests**

It is most essential to conserve and protect the natural heritage of the division by preserving the remaining natural forests with the vast variety of flora & fauna. As forest the forest protection is most important aspect of forestry these days, the following measures were suggested in the Working Plan:

i. It is suggested to keep strict vigilance in the vulnerable R.F. areas in order to minimize illegal felling etc.

ii. Patrolling vehicles should be provided to all vulnerable ranges for protection of forets wealth.

iii. Motor boats for river patrolling is to be provided in Borpani, Kapili, Killing rivers etc.

iv. All existing vehicles are to be immediately repaired.

v. A new facilities like wireless communication is absolutely necessary to communicate urgent matters

vi. All effective measures should be taken to prevent new encroachment. Efforts should be made to recover the already encroached areas and plant up the same at the earliest opportunity.

vii. Sufficient budgetary allocation should be there to protect forest wealth.

viii. Local Forest Protection and Regeneration Cmmities should be formed at every range and beat level to take up Protection measures.

#### **5.2 Forest Department Initiative in the Past**

**5.2.1 Formation of JFMC:** The formation of Joint Forest Management Committees, within forest areas and in fringe forest areas were initiated during 2003-04, with an objective of protection of forests in association with JFM Committees. During the initial period many Entry Point Activities

were taken up through the JFMCs, such as Construction of Community Halls, Drinking water provision, Repairing of existing school buildings, supply of School Uniform, supply of Deskbench, construction of waiting shed, construction and repairing of roads, etc.

In addition to the above Entry Point Activities plantations and nurseries were also created. The plantation activities under JFMCs were taken up under NAP, NBM, ACCP-NaRMIL, Forest Village Development Schemes, Medicinal & Aromatic Plants Board, Jatropha Scheme, through 86 Nos. of JFMCs covering the districts of Nagaon and Morigaon under Nagaon Forest Division, Nagaon.

#### 5.2.2 Special works of improvement under Nagaon division:

Under State Plan Scheme, various plantation activities like RDF, ABY etc. have been taken up to improve the degraded forest areas and for restocking of the existing R.F.'s, Aided Natural Regeneration was taken up in Sal forest & Misc. species forest under state plan scheme and under Externally aided project under NaRMIL& APFBC.

Also many Joint Forest Management Committees were created to take up plantations, Soil & Moisture Conservation works through participatory mode involving the forest fringe villagers and people dependent/destructive to forests, so as to help them lead an alternative livelihood activity.

Under the National Bamboo Mission, for enabling alternative livelihood of the people/JFMC members under Nagaon Divisional areas, various training were given in production of Agarbatti sticks, Bamboo Furniture & other local Handicrafts in the Handicraft Production Centre which was established in Bajiagaon, Samogurialongwith Bamboo seasoning unit. Bamboo plantations were also taken up under JFMC areas.

Under the Medicinal Plant schemes, plantation of medicinal plants was taken up under Salona Range.

Year	Name of Range		Name of JFMC	Species	Area in Hect.
2006-07	Kampur Range, Kampur		Pilkhana- 1	Arti. Regeneration	20.00 Hect.
	Kampur	Range,	Pilkhana- 2	Arti. Regeneration	20.00 Hect.

5.2.2.1 Forest Village J. F. M. C. Scheme 2006-07.

	Kampur			
	Northern Range, Salona	Barhula	Arti. Regeneration	15.00 Hect.
	Northern Range, Salona	Baghakhaity	Arti. Regeneration	15.00 Hect.
	Northern Range, Salona	Bapudaloni	Arti. Regeneration	5.00 Hect.
Total =	I			75.00 Hect.

## 5.2.2.2 Medicinal & Aromatic Plants:

Year	Name of Range	Name of JFMC	Name of RF	Area in Hect.
	W.R. Dharamtul	Jagiroad Bon	Sonaikuchi	Agar = 25
		Unnayan		Bhatghila = 25
		Deosal	Sonaikuchi	Agar = 70
		Kalapani	South Dijoo	Agar = 75
				Bhatghila = 50
				Kala Haldhi = 25
2010-11	N.R. Salona	Majigaon	Swang	Agar = 25
				Pioli = 25
		Solal	Bagser	Bhatghila = 50
		Baghekhaiti	Swang	Pioli = 50
	Kathiatoli Range	Modertoli	Doboka	Agar = 80
	Kange	Kathiatoli	Doboka	Agar = 25
	Morigaon	Sonjukta	Tetelia-	Bhatghila = 25
	Range		Boghora	

## 5.2.2.3 Scheme NAP (National Afforestation Programme)

Year Name of Range		Name of JFMC	Location	Artificial Regeneration Phy (Ha.)	Mixed Plant <sup>n</sup> Phy(Ha.)	Bamboo Plant <sup>n</sup> Phy (Ha.)	Total area (Ha.)
		Banabandhu	Satipur	10	5	5	20
		Pragati	Buraraja	10	5	5	20
		Barbori	Borigaon	10	5	5	20
		Deosal	DeosalMandir	5	5	10	20
	Western	Kamarkuchi	Gova	5	10	10	25
	Range,	Naldhara	Sindhisur	5	10	5	20
	Dharamtul	Silchang	Akaragaon	10	5	10	25
		Amsoi	Majargaon	10	5	5	20
2004-		BasundhariKakatigaon	Gospara	10	5	5	20
2005		Dalimbari	Dalimbari	5	10	5	20
		Sivakunda	Hatigarh	5	10	5	20
		Garugaon	Garugaon	5	10	5	20
	Kampur	Kandapara	Bilpar	10	5	5	20
	Range	Kherani	KheraniGaon	5	10	5	20
		Padumoni	Bilpar	5	10	5	20
	Northern	HatimuraTengabariTopahula	Hatimura	5	10	5	20
	Range,	Pulibagan	Jiyajuri	5	10	5	20
	Salona	Rekhapahar	RekhapaharVill.	10	5	5	20
	Kampur	Dadumani	Bilpara	5	5	5	15
2006-	Range	Padumoni					
07	Northern Range, Salona	Rekhapahar	Rekhapahar Village	5	5	5	15

Year	Name of Range	Location	MHW	NTFP	Sal	ANR
			(Hect.)	(Hact.)	Regn. (Hect.)	(Hect.)
	W.R. Dharamtul	Kholahat RF	20	20	0	20
	N.R. Salona	Kathalguri PRF	0	0	0	20
2013-		South Dijoo	10	10	0	0
2014	Kampur Range	Lutumari RF	10	10	0	30
	Morigaon Range	TeteliaBoghora RF	5	10	0	10
	Kathiatoli Range	Doboka RF	5	0	0	0
		Sub-Total =	50	50	0	80
	W.R. Dharamtul	Kholahat RF	20	0	95	0
2014-	N.R. Salona	Swang RF	0	0	55	0
2015		South Dijoo RF	30	0	0	0
	Morigaon Range	TeteliaBoghora RF	0	0	0	5
	Kathiatoli Range	Kafitoli RF	0	40	100	0
		Sub-Total =	50	40	250	5

## 5.2.2.4 Assam Project on Forest & Bio-Diversity Conservation(APFBC):

## REKHAPAHAR JOINT FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NAGAON DIVISION, NORTHERN ASSAM CIRCLE

Micro-Plan (2016-17 to 2026-27)

PART-II

## 6. Micro plan Objectives, SWOT and GAP Analysis

#### 6.1 Micro plan Objectives

A village level Micro-Plan is a village development plan and forest development plan, which is need based and site specific, commensurate to available resources. As the unit of the plan is small, it is called a micro plan. The Micro plan tries to meet the twin objectives of:

- i. Enhancing livelihoods
- ii. Biodiversity conservation and maintaining the ecological balance

In India, micro-plans have become an integral part of the joint forest management approach adopted by the Government of India. In this context, a micro-plan is a simple document prepared with the active participation of the community members. The community (village) is the unit for such micro-planning. The document aims to link local forest based resources to local needs and programme objectives of the Forest Department. As per the JFM Guidelines of 2000, the Forest Officers and JFMC should prepare a micro plan after having detailed PRA exercise in the village. The micro-plans of the JFMC are to be incorporated into the working plans of the Forest Department.

The present micro-plan has been prepared by members of the community, including both male and female members. This document has emerged as an outcome of the following Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) process undertaken by the community and personnel of RashtriyaGraminVikasNidhi (RGVN) in March 2017 The various steps followed are enumerated briefly below:-

- a) Community meetings organized at the outset in to March 2017discuss the objective of the project and obtaining their cooperation to gather the required information about the community and its contexts;
- b) Collection of the baseline data on the community and its contexts as per the available formats;
- c) Validation of collected information through community discussions held thereafter; and
- d) Preparing the outline of the Action Plan as per the community participation and feedback.
- e) The micro-plan has been compiled by RGVN based on the project guidelines. The document has been discussed and finalized for adoption in April 2017.

#### 6.2 Need Assessment and GAP Analysis

Based on the resource assessment, capacity assessment, livelihoods assets mapping and vulnerability assessment through focused group discussions, PRA exercises, village level and household level survey, the need assessment, gap analysis and SWOT analysis was carried out. The action plan, livelihood, village development strategies and forestry development plan were conceptualized for the **JFMC** primarily based on this analysis.

#### **Training Need Assessment:**

- a. Capacity building of communities through regular awareness programmes on important development issues like Forests and Biodiversity, Sustainable development, climate change issues, Gender issues, Financial inclusion, importance of WATSAN, Soil and water conservation, Flood management should be carried out. A mechanism for the same is proposed in the action plan for village development.
- b. Skill Development: Conducting regular review of livelihood skills and providing specialized training on use of equipments and tools and processes and procedures for livelihood enhancement to be conducted on a regular basis as proposed in the action plan for livelihood development.

#### **GAP** Analysis

- Lack of irrigation facilities in the village which adversely affects the agricultural production
- The condition of health care facilities and infrastructure is rather poor which is a major drawback
- Elephant depredation destroys the standing crops and fields
- Lack of provision for proper drinking water to all households

#### **6.3 SWOT Analysis**

The SWOT analysis was carried out through participatory approach by involving both male and female members of the community.

#### Strengths

- i. The road conditions are satisfactory
- ii. The natural capital in the village is rich
- iii. No occurrence of floods in the area

#### Weaknesses

- i. Poor public transportation and communication facilities
- ii. Education and health facilities are lacking
- iii. Less agriculture land which creates issues in the overall yield

#### **Opportunities**

- i. Bought leaf factories can be established by maintaining the standards of Tea Board of India
- ii. Scope for development of nursery to act as an alternate source of livelihood
- iii. Provision of better agricultural tools will help increase the production
- iv. Scope for Fishery development in the area as an income generating source

#### Threats

- i. Spread of diseases such as malaria
- ii. Elephant depredation
- iii. Threat to biodiversity due to fire wood collection

#### 6.4 PRA Exercise

Appendix VI(A) to VI(D) gives the **PRA** maps

Team from RGVN Guwahati carried out PRA exercise in Rekhapaharvillage as follows:

Date: 24/3/2017 Location: Rekhapahar

#### Numbers Present: 20

**In Presence of**: JFMC office bearers, Village Headman, community members, Forest department personnel.

Awareness and orientation programme was conducted at village level before taking up the participatory mapping and transect walk. The main themes covered during awareness and orientation included the following:

- (a) Participatory Planning
- (b) Participatory tools & Methods
- (c) Importance of Microplanning and role of JFMC
- (d) Environmental issues
- (e) Climate change and Climate variation
- (f) Ecological balance and Ecosystem management (traditional and scientific)
- (g) Sustainable livelihood Framework

- (h) Livelihood Assets Pentagon and importance of social capital
- (i) Cluster formation & SHG, Financial inclusion
- (j) Marketing and Value addition
- (k) Development agenda and its relationship with environment and ecological balance
- (1) Gender Issues and gender equality

**Observations**: The communities actively participated during the discussions and PRA exercise. The following important points have emerged:

- People expressed that the JFMC have not been very active in the past due to lack of funds and projects
- There have been very few awareness and orientation programs in the JFMC in the past.
- They appreciated the importance of micro planning and were very supportive and cooperated during the micro planning process.
- While some NGOs have been visiting the JFMC they only collected data and information but did not take up any development activity.
- It was for the first time that Under the APBFC the NGO has come and interacted with the community and created awareness and proper orientation not only about the project but also on the development issues including environmental and ecological aspects to growth and development.
- The communities have good local wisdom and traditional knowledge regarding the environment, forestry and other livelihood issues like pest control, livestock management etc.
- They shared their concern over the climate variation and its ill effects on agriculture and health in the village. They are keen to learn more on the scientific facts about climate change issues.
- A sense of importance was observed among the people as they understood the important role they had towards reducing causes leading to climate variation by protecting the nearby forests and a sense of ownership seems to be gripping them boosting their self esteem.

**Community Need Assessment**: Based on the PRA exercise, Focus group discussions, consultations with village community, JFMC members, forest staff and other stakeholders the Village Development plan and Livelihood development Plan was prepared for the JFMC. Through

the participatory approach the community Need Assessment was carried out. The people's needs can be categorized as follows:

#### **1. Structural Needs**

#### 2. Non Structural needs

These needs can be classified further into long term needs and short term needs. The details of the community's needs are given in the village development plan.

The structural needs of the people have direct and indirect linkage with livelihood improvement. These include improvement of infrastructure like roads, school buildings, Health care infrastructure, drinking water supply system, water tanks, ring wells etc. Construction of toilets, community halls and training sheds, market sheds.

The non structural needs of the people include provision for skill training, provision of veterinary services, health care services, mobile doctors team, requirement of teachers for schools in the villages, capacity building through training and awareness on financial inclusion, SHG and cluster formation, provision for raw materials, village maintenance & development fund/ community fund for JFMC, Value addition of traditional products and marketing linkages. Exposure visits to best practice sites relating to joint forest management, community participatory project cites, artisans villages and participation in melas, trade fairs etc.

#### 7. Village Development Plan

Considering the long term and short term needs for village development a village development plan was prepared in consultation with the community members as well as the JFMC members. The measures planned by the community members for the village development are as follows:

- a) The drinking water facilities in the village are rather poor and the supply water doesn't reach all the households. Hence, it is important that the basic amenities of water be provided to all.
- b) Lack of diverse employment opportunity in the village leads to low economic conditions. Introduction of skill development programmes regarding nursery or piggery to help provide specialised training to the participants and act as an alternate source of livelihood.
- c) The provision of a community hall in the village would act as a centre for trainings to take place regarding SDPs and also to hold important discussion with the community members.
- d) The condition of the existing health care facilities is rather inadequate which poses problems for people during times of emergency needs of medical care. Hence it is crucial that this be looked into and proper facilities be provided to all the people.
- e) Tea growers can be registered with the Tea Board of India/ Tocklai Tea Research Institute/Department of Tea Husbandry and Technology, Assam Agricultural University. This would help them to avail various training, technical guidance and subsidies offered by the institutions.

#### 7.1 Ranking of EPA

For village development, the community proposes to take up a number of Entry Point Activities. The EPA includes infrastructure development and skill development and both are directly linked with other.

Rank	Village EPA as ranked	Details	Budget
1	Community hall	Size: 40x50 feet	
		Location: Near the Namghar in the community Land size: 2.5 bigha	
		Proposed activities:	
		1. JFMC office – (Size 9x10 feet)	
		<ol> <li>Library</li> <li>Wardrobe- (Nos. 2)</li> </ol>	12 lakh
		4. Chair- (Nos. 50)	

-	schard Devolution	5. Table- (Nos. 5)	
	and the constitution	6. Toilet- (Nos. 2) (Size: 6x6 feet)	
	in a second state where they have	7. Training hall	
		8. Generator	
	angerija die seeries vierije Angerija	9. Well for water facilities	
2	Nursery	Location: Near Horen Bora Namghar	
	tele de la presente	Land Size: 3 bigha	
	is mission company and	Proposed Activity	
	hine - A a chine an	1. Greenhouse	10 lakh
	lighter vir a strend and a	2. Transportation facility	
	and a state of the	3. Training programme provision	
	alam Inan Mithiles		
3	Drinking water facility	Location: Will be voted for in the next	
	Read for	Panchayat meeting	
		Proposed Activity	1.5 lakh
		1. Cement well (Nos. 4)	
4	Livestock	Training and financial assistance group wise	2 lakhs
5	Tractor	Tractor for agriculture- (Nos. 1)	6 lakhs
		Trailer with equipment	

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#### 8. Livelihood Development Plan

Effective PRA exercises and socio-economic surveys in the fringe and forest villages have been conducted with the help and support of JFMC members and RGVN in order to prepare microplan for the village. Various Income Generating Activities (IGA) were identified through focus group discussions and PRA. Some of the important income generating activities as identified by the communities include:- pisciculture, vegetable farming, poultry, dairy farming, apiculture, mushroom farming, decentralized nursery, tailoring, small crafts, jute crafts, bamboo crafts, candle making, incense stick making, pickle making, etc. Value addition to the products can be made by processing, grading packing/ bottling and labelling professionally. Inputs, equipments, raw materials required for the IGA were identified. A marketing platform, called Van Bazar, is proposed to be established to showcase and sell products from JFMCs.

#### 8.1 Ranking

#### **Ranking of Livelihood and Skill Development**

- Small scale tea cultivation
- Agriculture
- Nursery development
- Poultry
- Fishery development

#### 8.2 Livelihood Opportunities

#### Livelihood were identified as follows:

- Agriculture & horticulture
- Skill development in weaving, handicraft
- NTFP
- Livestock

#### 8.3 Agriculture & Horticulture

The main constraints are:

- (a)No irrigation facilities
- (b) Lack of modern tools and machines to help enhance production
- (c) Elephant depredation in the area destroys standing crops

(d) Lack of knowledge on new techniques and methods of farming

The opportunities are:

(a) Organic farming to sustain health of soil, eco-system and people.

(b) Nursery Development

(c) Mechanisation of the existing techniques of agriculture through use of better machines

#### 8.4 Livestock

The main constraints are:

- (a) No veterinary services in the area to treat diseased animals
- (b) Lack of knowledge on scientific rearing methods
- (c) Unawareness regarding special provision of financial aid to farmers

The opportunities are:

- (a) Provision of veterinary facilities in the area
- (b) Scope for development of poultry farming

#### 8.5 NTFP

The main constraints are:

- (a) Market linkage initiatives are lacking
- (b) Medicinal properties of most of the NTFP is unknown to the community
- (c) Lack of knowledge by community about NTFP utility

The opportunities are:

- (a) Some of the products can be used for commercialisation processes
- (b) Awareness creation about conservation and judicial usage of NTFP.

#### 8.6 Specialized Skills

The main constraints are:

- (a) Lack of product and skill diversification
- (b) Absence of proper skill building measures
- (c) Lack of knowledge regarding marketing strategies

The opportunities are:

(a) Scope for development of nurseries as an alternate source of livelihood.

(b) More initiative of Skill Development Programmes to train the community members in diverse skills such as tea plucking.

(c) Development of piggery as an income generating occupation.

#### 8.7 Credit Facility

The main constraints with the reasons are:

(a) Low risk taking attitude leading to unwillingness of the community members to avail loan facilities.

(b) Higher rate of interest charged by private money lenders

(c) Lack of knowledge about different financial schemes of the government .

The opportunities are:

(a) Motivation to form active SHGs and avail loans within the group.

(b) Micro finance Institutions

(c) Provision of coverage under different government schemes.

#### 8.8 Strategic Interventions

Summarizing the suggested programmes above as strategic interventions for the Livelihood Development Plan:

1. Skill development in sectors such as nursery, poultry etc. to help create more employment opportunities

2. Provide better access and availability of tools and machines with regard to agriculture

- 3. Improve the condition of tea cultivation in the area to help enhance its productivity
- 4. Motivate the people to form SHG and JLG

#### **8.9 Income Generating Activities**

The main income generating activities as planned at the village are:

- 1. Small scale tea cultivation
- 2. Agriculture
- 3. Piggery
- 4. Nursery
- 5. Fishery

#### 8.10 SHG activities

SHGs of the village can plan the following activities:

- 1. Nursery development
- 2. Piggery
- 3.

#### 8.11 Exposure Trips

The following exposure trips are planned:

1. Good practices/project of JFMC in North East and other states of India

2.Participation in fairs (melas) likeAgri-Horti Expo, SARAS and other exhibitionsorganised by TRIFED

#### 8.12 Convergence

The planned initiatives may be converged with the following schemes of the Government of India:

- (a) National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme for rural employment
- (b) RashtriyaKrishiVikasYojana (RKVY) for agricultural and allied development
- (c) RashtriyaKrishiSinchayYojana (RKSY) for irrigation, including watershed development
- (d) National Rural Livelihoods Mission
- (e) Skills Development schemes
- (f) Prime Minister UjjwalaYojana
- (g) NRLM
- (h) NRHM
- (i) Bamboo Mission
- (j) Other schemes for rural development and livelihoods as found appropriate.The above convergence will yield synergies for the present plan, as well as help in sustaining the planned works in the post-project periods.

#### 9. Forest Development Plan of Rekhapahar JFMC

This Forest Development Plan has been prepared after a detailed PRA exercise at the village level as a part of the Micro-Plan of **Rekhapahar** JFMC. The objective of this plan is to provide for the sustenance of the conservation and bio-diversity values, environmental functions and productive potential of the forests assigned to the JFMC; while meeting the consumption and livelihood needs of the community in a sustainable manner.

The micro-plan takes into consideration the following categories of the JFMC Forests of the **Rekhapahar**JFMC:

- (a) Forest areas assigned to the JFMC by the Forest Department; and
- (b) Areas planted / to be planted on community lands and other lands outside the notified forest area.

The status of both the above categories of JFMC forests is briefly discussed below.

#### 9.1 Forests & Existing Their Conditions

The conditions of the forests of the **Rekhapahar** JFMC have been summarized below.

Identification	Area of JFMC Forest (Ha)	Distance from Village (Km)	Condition of Forest [Good - Forest with crown density of 40% of more Else 'Degraded']	Frequency of Use by Community [2-3 m / 3-6 m / 6-9 m / Over 9 m]
(A) Assigned Forest				
RF / PF Name:North	200	4	Good Area: 200 Ha	6-9 m
Diju RF			Degraded Area: 0 Ha	
Beat:Chapanala				
Compartment: -				
(B) Other Planted				
Area				
Location:	100	4	Good Area: 0 Ha	6-9 m
Type of Forest:Moist			Degraded Area: 100	
Deciduous Mixed			На	
Forest				
VF / Other				
TOTAL	300		Good Area: 200 Ha	

Table-1: Conditions of the Forests of Rekhapahar JFMC

	Degraded Area: 100	
	На	

It is seen that the **Rekhapahar** JFMC has 300 Bigha under its forests, of which Ha (66 %) is 'Good' (Crown density >40%) and the rest is 'Degraded'.

#### 9.1.1 Forest Soil Type

The forests of **Rekhapahar**JFMC are located in.Alluvial Soil type(s) of soil. Some salient points of the forest soil type have been given in the following table.

Parameter	Status in Assigned Forests	Status in Other Planted
		Areas
Fertility Level	Good	Good
Soil Erosion Status	Medium	Medium
Presence of:		
(a) Silt	-	-
(b) Mud-flat	-	-
(c) Newly accreted	-	-
land		
(d) Sand dune	-	-

Table-2: Forest Soil Type inRekhapahar JFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

For the **Rekhapahar**JFMC; the salient points of the forest soil type are summarized below:

(a) Alluvial with pebbles deposit

#### 9.1.2 Existing Composition of Flora

In the forests of the**Rekhapahar**JFMC, the existing composition of the flora has been given as follows.

Parameter	Local Name(s)	Botanical Name(s)
Major Forest Species	Sal, Segun, Tita-Sopa	Shorearobusta,
		Tectonagrandis,
		Michelliachampaca,
Associates	Gamari,Amalokhi,	Gmelinaarborea,
	Koroi,Arjun	Kirganeliarecticulata,
		Albezziaprocera,
		Terminaliaarjuna.
Shrubs		
Medicinal Plants	Outenga, Hilikha, Bohera	Dilleniaindica,
		Terminaliachabuja.
Produces	Bambo Spp.	
Others, if any		

Table-3: Existing Composition of Flora in the RekhapaharJFMC

#### 9.1.3 Forest Village Management in the Past

The measures taken by the **Rekhapahar**JFMCfor forest protection in the past have been discussed as follows.

- (a) Number of households involved: Nos. 152nos.
- (b) Number of people involved: Nos.727 nos.
- (c) Summary of the measures:
  - 1) Joint Patrolling
  - 2) Information Sharing on illegalities

[Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & JFMC members]

#### 9.1.4 Domestic Requirements of Forest Produce

The dependency of the local community on forest produce for household requirements is available in the table given at below

Name of Forest	Average Hous	ehold	How met at	Source
Produce	Requirement		Present	
	Frequency	Approx.		
	of	Qty		
	Requirement			
Firewood	Per Day basis	62 Ton		Homestead
		/month		Dead
				drywood
Timber for House	Per Day basis	700 nos. big	From	Bamboo and
		bamboo	Homestead	wood
Small timber for	Per Day basis	350 nos.		From
Implements				Homestead
				and Forest
Pole / Bamboo	Per Day basis	350 to 450 m		Cultivable
				land and
				Forest
Fodder from Forest	Per Day basis	5 bosta		Homestead
				and forest
NTFP	Annually		Broom,	Home stead
			bamboo,	and forest
			thatch, cane	
			etc.	
Other				

 Table-4 (A): Domestic Requirement of Forest Produce per Household of the

 RekhapaharJFMC

There are 97 households in the **Rekhapahar**JFMC. From the above table and this number of households, it is inferred that the total annual requirements of the **Rekhapahar** village for forest produce for own use is as follows:

Name of Forest Produce	<b>Community Requirement</b>	Remarks
	(Kg per annum) (*)	
Firewood	2550 ton	
Timber for House	3820 nos.	
Small Timber for Implements	1080 nos.	
Pole / Bamboo	18200 m	
Fodder from Forest	126 bosta	
NTFP		
Otherbroom	11500 kg	

 Table-4 (B): Total Domestic Requirement of Forest Produce - All Households of the

 RekhapaharJFMC

Source: Table - 4(A) at above & Total Household Number from Community records

(\*) = Approx. Qty. of Average Household Requirement (from Table-4 (A) x 131 Households

#### 9.1.5 Collection & Marketing of Forest Produce by Villagers

Apart from use in the households, the community dependency on forest produces also includes the collection of such items for sale in local markets. The collection and marketing of forest produce by villagers of **Rekhapahar** JFMC is given in the following table.

## Table-5 (A): Collection & Marketing of Forest Produce by Villagers of the RekhapaharJFMC

Name of Forest	Colle	Collection for Marketing			
Produce	Season /	No of	Average Qty.	Collection	
	Months	Households	Collected		
		Collecting	(Kg)		
Firewood	Rainy	78 hh	27 kg/hh/day	Homestead	
	season/			and forest	
	Winter				
Timber for House	Winter	20-22 hh	20 nos.	Homestead	
				and forest	
Small timber for	Annually	30-35 hh	20 nos.	Homestead	
Implements				and forest	
Bamboo	April-May	60 hh	20 nos.	Homestead	
				and forest	
Pole	April-May	60 hh	20 nos.	Homestead	
				and forest	
Fodder from Forest	Not regular	20-25	20-25 m	Homestead	
				and forest	
NTFP	Dec-January	40-50 hh	150-250 kg.		
Other					

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

In the above connection, the following table gives additional pertinent information.

# Table-5 (B): Collection & Marketing of Forest Produce - Additional Information [RekhapaharJFMC]

Name of Forest	Surplus	How marketed	Average
Produce	Marketed		Income per
	(Kg)		HH from
			sale of
			Forest
			Produce
Firewood			
Timber for House	-	-	-
Small timber for	-	-	-
Implements			
Bamboo			
Pole	-	-	-
Fodder from Forest	-	-	-
NTFP	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.1.6 Total Requirements of Forest Produce - Domestic Use & Marketing

The total requirements of forest produce by the community members of the **Rekhapahar** JFMC have been summarized below - based on the information in the previous subsections.**Table-6: Total Requirements of Forest Produce by Villagers of the RekhapaharJFMC** 

Name of Forest	Community	Surplus	Total
Produce	Requirement	Marketed (Kg)	Requirements
	(Kg per annum)	From Table-5(B)	(Kg)
	From Table-4(B)		
Firewood			
Timber for House			
Small timber for			
Implements			
Bamboo / Pole	198 m		
Fodder from Forest			
NTFP_ thatch	1200 bags		
Other	-	-	-

**Source**: Tables 4 (B) & 5 (B) of this Section, given at the previous pages

#### **9.2Forest Protection Issues**

#### 9.2.1 Protection Problems

The protection issues of the forests of **Rekhapahar**JFMC have been summarized below.

Type of Problem	Relevant (Yes / No)	Significant (Yes / No)
Grazing - Local Animals	Yes	Yes
Grazing - Animals from Other Area	Yes	Yes
Illicit Felling of Timber	Yes	Yes
Smuggling of Timber	Yes	Yes
Accidental Fires	Yes	Yes
Encroachment of Forest Lands	Yes	Yes

**Source**: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members Thus, it is seen that the significant forest protection issues facing the above JFMC are:

- (a) Seizing illegal timbers through patrolling
- (b) Creating awareness among locals.

#### 9.2.2 Reasons for Degradation of the Forest

In the **Rekhapahar**JFMC, the reasons for degradation of forest are as follows:

- (a) Grazing of animals
- (b) Illegal removal of timber
- (c) Firewood Collection

[Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members]

#### 9.3 Components of the Forest Development Plan

The following sub-sections discuss the main components of the Forest Development Plan of **Rekhapahar**JFMC; viz. the plans for Protection, Forest Improvement (Treatment), Nursery Development, Maintenance and Miscellaneous Operations.

#### 9.3.1 Protection Plan

The Protection Plan given at below, discusses the measures for the protection of the forests of **Rekhapahar**JFMC from the issues discussed earlier at Sub-section 3.1

Protection Work	Location in	Quantification of	Timing	Priority
[to be filled from Table	Forest Area	the Measures		[High /
3.7 of Proforma-3 as		[Length, Area, Size		Medium /
applicable]		etc.]		Low]
FPRC/JFMC	Forest	-	During day	Medium
protection force duty to	village area		time and also	
control the forest area			night	

 Table-8: Protection Plan of RekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

Thus, it is seen that the significant protection measures planned to be undertaken in the **RekhapaharJFMC** (with high / medium priority) are as follows:

- (a) To protect the plantation area.
- (b) Medium protection duty at day and night.

#### 9.3.2 Types of Operations Proposed

The types of operations proposed for the treatment of degraded areas of the JFMC Forest of **Rekhapahar**JFMC are given hereunder.

Treatment	Required	Responsibility	Month /	Extent of
	(Yes/ No)	of JFMC (Yes	Year when	Area
		/ No)	can be	proposed
			done	for
				Treatment
				(Ha)
Restoration of Degraded	Yes	Yes		50
Forests				
Protection to Cut Stumps	Yes	Yes		50
of Trees				
Watershed Treatment	Yes	Yes		50
Water Reservoirs	Yes	Yes		50
Grass &Silvi-pasture	Yes	Yes		
Bamboo Plantation	Yes	Yes		
Seed Sowing	Yes	Yes		50
Root & Shoot Cutting	Yes	Yes		50
&Plantation				
Cut Back & Coppice	Yes	Yes		50
Treatment				

#### **Table-9: Types of Operations Proposed in the Rekhapahar JFMC**

Treatment	Required (Yes/ No)	Responsibility of JFMC (Yes / No)	Month / Year when can be done	Extent of Area proposed for Treatment (Ha)
Physical Fencing	Yes	Yes		
Social Fencing	Yes	Yes		100
Other Activities	Yes	Yes		

Thus, it is seen that the following are the treatment operations which have been proposed in the forest area of the **Rekhapahar**JFMC:

#### 9.3.3 Forest Improvement Plan - Advance Works & Creation

The pertinent details in the above connection have been tabulated as follows.

Treatment	Area in Ha Priority for		Species	Spacing
	under	Block		(metre x
	Plantation	Plantation		metre)
	Module			
Assisted Natural	20 Ha	Yes	Indigenous	4m x 4m
Regeneration				
(with plantation in gap)				
Block Plantation	20 Ha.	1 Ha. each	Specific	2m*2m
Sowing of Neem, Amla,	20 Ha.	1 Ha. each	Site Specific	2m * 2m
Mahua, Bahera				
(Medicinal Plants)				
Enrichment Plantation	10 Ha.	1 Ha. each	Site Specific	2m * 2m
Direct Plantation	20 Ha.	5 blocks	indigenous	2m * 2m

 Table-10: Forest Improvement Planned in Rekhapahar JFMC

Treatment	Area in Ha under Plantation Module	Priority for Block Plantation	Species	Spacing (metre x metre)
Other				
Total Area (in Ha)	90 Ha.			

### 9.4 Forest Improvement - Annual Targets

The annual targets in the above connection are given below for a ten year period.

Treatment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Assisted Natural	4 Ha.				
Regeneration					
(with plantation in gap)					
Block Plantation	4 Ha.				
Sowing of Neem, Amla,	4 Ha.				
Mahua, Bahera					
(Medicinal Plants)					
Enrichment Plantation	2 Ha.				
Direct Plantation	4 Ha.				
Silvi-cultural Operations					
Intermediate Operations					

(Year-5)

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

 Table-10 (B): Annual Targets of Forest Improvement in RekhapaharJFMC (Year-6 to Year-10)

Treatment	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Aided Natural	4 Ha.				
Regeneration					
(with plantation in gap)					
Block Plantation	4 Ha.				
Sowing of Neem, Amla,	4 Ha.				
Mahua, Bahera					
(Medicinal Plants)					
Enrichment Plantation	2 Ha.				
Direct Plantation	4 Ha.				
Silvi-cultural Operations					
Intermediate Operations					

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.4.1 Nursery Development Plan

The Nursery Development Plan for the **Rekhapahar**JFMC depends on the following types of Nurseries:

- (a) JFMC Nurseries (incl. Departmental Nursery)
- (b) Other Nurseries SHG & Private.

The details are given below.

#### JFMC Nurseries

The following table gives the details of the nurseries of the **RekhapaharJFMC**. This includes the Departmental Nursery involved in JFMC works.

Location of Nursery	Species	Year of Development	Number of Seedlings	Remarks

#### Table-11 (A): JFMC Nurseries of theRekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### **Other Nurseries**

The following table gives the details of other nurseries near the RekhapaharJFMC.

Name of Nursery	Species	Year of	Number	Remarks		
		Development	of			
			Seedlings			
No other nurseries have been found near the JFMC						

#### Table-11 (B): Other Nurseries near theRekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.4.2 Maintenance Plan - 10 Years

The maintenance plan for plantations raised in the **Rekhapahar**JFMC is given below. This covers a period of ten years.

Timber Species :

#### Table-12 (A): Maintenance Plan of Firewood Plantation in theRekhapaharJFMC

Year(s)	Treatment
2015-16	Advance work & creation
2016-17	As per approved norms of the project for the year. i.e 4(four) weeding in a year
2017-18	-Do-

Year(s)	Treatment
2018-19	-Do-

(A) Bamboo

Year(s)	Treatment
2015-16	Advance work & creation
2016-17	As per approved norms of the project for the year. i.e 4(four) weeding in a year
2017-18	-Do-
2018-19	-Do-

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

(B) Fuel wood Plantation

Year(s)	Treatment
2015-16	Advance work & creation
2016-17	As per approved norms of the project for the year. i.e 4(four) weeding in a year
2017-18	-Do-
2018-19	-Do-

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

(C) NTFP / Medicinal Plantation

### Table-12 (D): Maintenance Plan of NTFP / Medicinal Plantation in the RekhapaharJFMC

Year(s)	Treatment
2015-16	Advance work & creation
2016-17	As per approved norms of the project for the year. i.e 4(four) weeding in a year
2017-18	-Do-
2018-19	-Do-

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.4.3 Miscellaneous Operations Plan

The miscellaneous operations planned in the **Rekhapahar**JFMC are given below.

Operation	Required (Yes / No)	Responsibility	Month / Year	Area (Ha)

#### Table-13): Miscellaneous Operations in the RekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.4.4 Marketing Operations

For produce from the **RekhapaharJFMC**, the planned marketing operations are:

- (a) Local Market facility
- (b) Value addition
- (c) Group activity to be developed.

#### 9.5 Expected Benefits

This sub-section furnishes the benefits expected from the forests protected by members of the **RekhapaharJFMC**, as well as the sharing mechanism for the usufruct benefits.

#### 9.5.1 Expected Benefits Related to Wood & Grass

The above has been tabulated below for the **Rekhapahar**JFMC. The benefits are expected from the forests protected by its members under this Forest Development Plan.

Item	Month	Year	Quantity	
		(Indicative)		
Firewood	Oct -Feb	7 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> year	150	
Timber for House	March – April	20 <sup>th</sup> year	250	
Small timber for	Mar-May	4 <sup>th</sup> in year	300	
Implements				
Bamboo	Nov-Mar	4 <sup>th</sup> year	1500	
Pole	Mar- Aug	4-5 year	200	
Fodder from Forest Trees	Oct- March	1 <sup>st</sup> year	200	
& Grass				
NTFP	Nov-Jan	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	2000 K.g	
Wages	Rs. 300/- per			
	person			
Other				

## Table-14: Expected Benefits from Forests Protected by Members of RekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### 9.5.2 Sharing Mechanisms

The sharing mechanism for the benefits is indicated below for members of the **Rekhapahar**JFMC.

Method	Items
To be shared equally	Timber ,Firewood ,Bamboo etc.
To be freely collected by the members	NTFP
Other Methods	A schedule for production increased method.

#### Table-15: Sharing Mechanism for RekhapaharJFMC

Source: Discussions with Forest Department personnel & Community members

#### **10. Implementation Strategies, Timelines and Budget**

#### 10.1 Roles and Responsibility Matrix

For the three sub plans namely Livelihood Development Plan, Village Development Plan and Forest Development Plan, a matrix of roles and responsibilities has been developed. The matrices have been shown below for each of the sub plans separately.

#### Production Stakeholder & Value Planning Manpower Training Funding Marketing M&E S Addition JFMC ✓ √ ~ NGO ✓ v √ Skilling Agencies Forest Deptt ✓ v ✓ Line Deptt.

#### Livelihood Development Plan

#### Village Development Plan

Stakeholders	JFMC	Forest Department	Line Departments	NGO	Training Institution	Govt of India/Corp
					S	
Solar Power		✓	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$
Solar/Hybrid Street Lights		✓	~			✓
Sprinkler Irrigation		✓	✓		~	$\checkmark$
LPG		✓			~	✓
Power Pumps		✓	✓			✓
Training Center		✓			~	✓
Community Hall cum JFMC Office		~	~			
Roads		~	~			

WATSAN	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$
School	$\checkmark$			
Health Infra	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~	$\checkmark$
Organic farming/ vermicompost	√	✓	~	✓

#### **Forest Development Plan**

Stakeholders	JFMC	Forest Department	Line Departments	NGO	Training Institutions	District Admin
Forest Protection		· √	•			✓
Wildlife Protection		✓	✓		✓	
Habitat Improvement		✓	✓		✓	
Nursery Development		✓			✓	
Wetland Conservation		✓				✓
Man-Animal Conflict		✓				
Grazing Control		✓	✓			
Eco-Tourism		✓	~			

#### **10.2Finance and Budget**

The budget for the microplan has been prepared based on annual requirement of the three sub plans namely the Livelihood Plan, Village Development Plan and Forest Development Plan. The consolidated table is given below.

SI No.	Plan	Amount (Rupees)	Remarks
1.	Livelihood Development Plan		
2.	Village Development Plan		
3.	Forest Development Plan		
	TOTAL		

## Livelihood Development Plan

SI No.	Item of Work	Amount (Rupees)	Remarks
1.	Skill Development & Training		
2.	Dairy Farming		
3.	Poultry/ Fishery/ Duckery		
4.	Computers		
5.	Trades and Callings		
6.	Handicrafts		
7	Kits and Equipment		
8	Value Addition & Certification		
9	Packaging and Marketing		
10	Exposure Visits		
11	SHG/ JLG/ Cluster Formation & Credit		
	TOTAL		

## Annual Village Development Plan:

Sl No.	Item of Work	Amount	Remarks
1.	Solar Power		
2.	Solar/Hybrid Street Lights		
3.	Sprinkler Irrigation		
4.	LPG		

5.	Power Pumps
6	Training Center
7	Community Hall cum JFMC Office
8	Roads
9	WATSAN
10	School
11	Health Infra
12	Organic farming/ vermi-compost
	TOTAL

#### **Annual Forest Development Plan**

Sl No.	Item of Work	Amount	Remarks
1.	Nursery		
2.	Fuelwood Plantation Creation		
3.	Desiltation of water bodies		
4.	Anti Depredation Squad		
5.	Crop Insurance		
6.	Life Insurance		
7.	Cattle Insurance		
	TOTAL		

#### **10.3 Action Plans and Strategies:**

Each of the **three** plans namely the Village Development Plan, Forest Development Plan and Livelihood Development Plan would require short term and long term action plans strategies in order to realize the prescriptions of the Microplan. Short term strategies should focus on activities to be taken up from 0-5 years, and long term plan should focus on activities to be taken up in 5-10 years of this Plan.

#### **Livelihood Development Action Plan:**

The livelihood action plan may be divided into three parts namely, skilling, production & marketing and value addition. The most immediate want of the population is skilling. The skilling requirements needs to be viewed at basic level and advanced level. Once the trades and skill requirements have been frozen, the basic skills should be imparted within a period of 1 year for all willing members of the village both men and women in a phased manner. During this period, some of the trainees could also start production. The most marketable outputs need to be channelized to the available markets in order to create the brand effect and assess the marketability of the production in terms of quality and value.

#### **Village Development Action Plan:**

The village development action plan may be divided into the short term plan and the long term. In the short term plan activities like Solar lighting, Providing LPG connections, construction of Community hall and training centre and water sanitation needs would be addressed. In the long term plan for the village the activities like construction of schools, health care facilities would be taken up. Providing improved tools and equipments for enhancing agriculture production along with water sprinklers, power pumps would be provided.

**Forest Development Action Plan:** The forest development action plan comprises of the short term action plan and the long term plan. The short term plan includes formation and strengthening of forest protection squads, Nursery development, desiltation of water bodies, formation of anti depredation squads, Tongi construction and firewood plantations. In the long term action plan activities like Plantation, Crop improvement and habitat improvement would be taken up.

#### 10.4Institution Building, Networking and Partnership

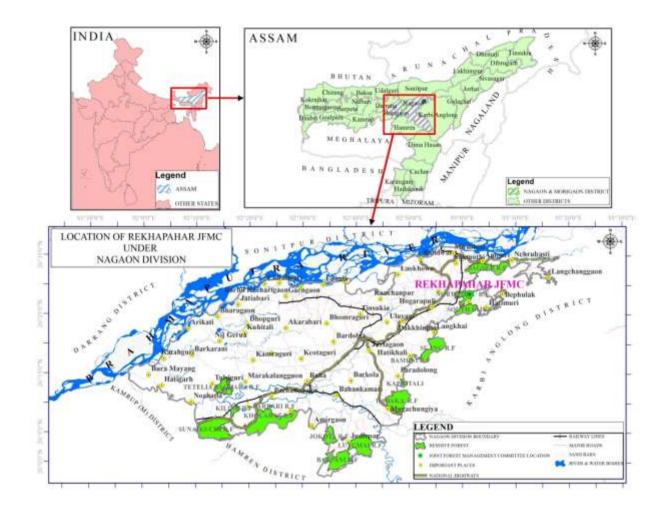
**JFMC:** The JFMC to be upgraded both in terms of its infrastructure assets and in terms of acting as a resource center for village and forestry development. The proposed JFMC office along with the community hall in the entry point activity to be provided with modern equipment like computer/ TV and support equipment like generator etc. Building capacity of JFMC members through training programs on use of computers, maintaining and updating records/ accounts keeping and village level/ forestry data on a regular basis. The JFMC office to be upgraded as a resource center, an activity and training hub. Improving their networking skills and creating awareness regarding development schemes of other departments and modalities for partnership.

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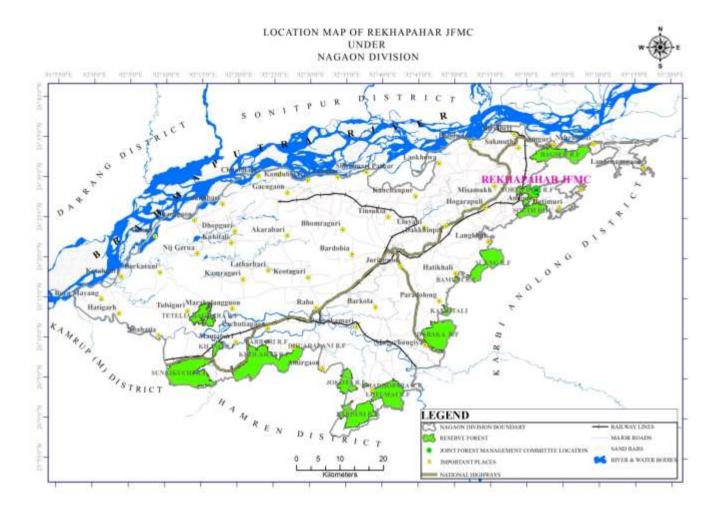
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## Appendix I (A)

## Location Map of JFMC in India

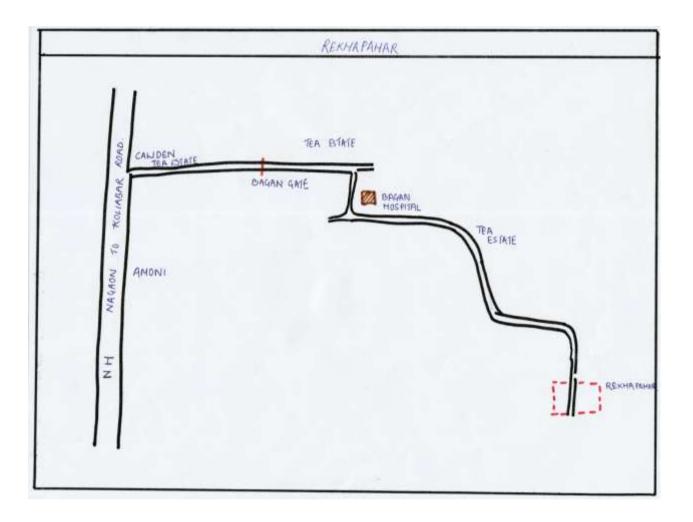


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### Approach map to JFMC



## **Appendix III(A)**

#### JFMC Registration Certificate

GOVT. OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, NORTHERN ASSAM CIRCLE TEZPUR

Registration No. NAC/N/16

Date 1- 19-07-2002.

#### REGISTRATION OF JOINT FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The registration of the committee has been done to facilitate implementation of forestry related projects.

(S. K. SRIVASTAVA, IFS) Conservator of Forests Northern Assam Circle Tezpur

## **Appendix III(B)**

#### **MoU/Resolution Certificate**

#### Memorandum of Understanding.

We the members of the Rekha Pahar JFMC do here by undertaken to perform the duties and functions under the rule 9 of Assam Joint(Peoples participation) Forest Management rules,1998 dated 10<sup>th</sup> November of the Forest Department, Govt of Assam for proper protection of the forest & plantations assigned to his committee as per the schedule given under.

#### Schedule

<ol> <li>Name of JFMC</li> </ol>	1	Rekha Pahar
2. Mouza	1.1	Dowar Salana
<ol><li>Panchayat</li></ol>	1	Anjukpani
4. Police Station	1	Samaguri
5. Sub-Division	1	Kaliabor
6. District	1	Nagaon
7. Status of Land	2	Degraded Reserve Forest

We understand that the usufructuary benefits as detailed in the aforesaid rule shall be allowed only upon satisfactory performance of the duties and the functions by this committee and the individual beneficiaries as per aforesaid rule.

Name and signature

Signature of Witness

Name	Address	Signature
President		
Sri Talesfor Uria	Vill Rekha Pahar	Sd/- T. Uria
	P.O Salona	
	Dist. Nagaon (Assam)	
Secretary		
Sri Ananta Kr. Tamuly	Forester-1	Sd/- A. K. Tamuly
(Ex-	officio Member)	
Member		
1. Sri Denel Urang	Vill: Rekha Pahar	Sd/- D. Uranh
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<ol><li>Sri Surjya Rajbongshi</li></ol>	-do-	Sd/- S. Rajbongshi
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1. Md. Ambia Begum	Vill: Rekha Pahar	Sd/- A. Begu
2. Smt. Saba Munda	-do-	Sd/- S. Mund
3, Anima Saikia	-do-	Sd/- A. Saikia

### FORMAT OF AGREEMENT TO BE EXECUTED BETWEEN THE JOINT FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER OF THE RESPECTIVE FIELD IMPLEMENTATION UNIT

## ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

Agreement No: & Date (To be filled up by the Divisional Forest Officer)

1. This deed of Agreement made in the form of Agreement on the 11. day of Sec 2015 between the Divisional Forest Officer. Nagaea. Division, Negaea Department of Forest, Assam on behalf of the Project Implementation Unit of the Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Society(APFBCS; hereinafter referred to as the First Party) and the President, Treasurer and Member-Secretary of the Executive Committee duly elected by the General Body of the Reklass Anar. Joint Forest Management Committee Village Reklasser, P.O. Sarrich Sars, Panchayat Anjuk part. Block West, Kaliaber Sub-Division, A. Kaliaber District Nagran.
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SCHEDULE:

a. Name of the Joint Forest Management Committee

- b. District
- c. Division
- d. Range
- e. Section
- f. Beat
- g. Block. Compartment No:
- h. Area(Ha)
- i. Boundary :

North Kand Hill South Reserve Forest

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j. Pictorial Map showing JFMC area (not to scale)

#### 2. Disbursement of funds.

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- The Second Party shall open a Joint Current Account in the name of 'Foresity Account and Community Account' in any Nationalized Commercial Banks, as ι. per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Society's Operational Manual, JFMC & EDC Manual as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party.
- The First party in consultation with the Circle Conservator shall nominate an Officer not below the rank of Forester-1 for opening and operating the Joint ii. Account in the name of 'Forestry Account' as per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Operational Manual and/ or JFMC&EDC Manual as annexed herewith and as per amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party
- Payment of necessary funds to the Second Party shall be released by the First Party as per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Society' Operational Manual iii. as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party.

#### 3. Maintenance of Accounts:

- The second party shall maintain separate accounts for all expenditure incurred out of the fund provided from time to time for execution of Project works. Such î. Accounts shall be made available to the First Party or Project Implementation Unit or its authorized representatives for the purpose for inspection The First Party shall be responsible for submission of expenditure statement and also necessary records to the PMU, as per the guidelines prescribed in the APEBC Society's Operational Manual, JFMC &EDC Manual as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party.
- The First Party and also the Second Party shall have to maintain a register where all relevant data of civil works and inputs receipt records etc. shall be maintained ii. properly. The register shall be kept open for all inspecting officers related to the implementation of the APFBC
- In case of any event of misuse of funds, the First Party shall have right to stop operation of the Bank Accounts of the Second Party and to be followed by iii. enquiry as may be deemed proper by the First Party.
- 4. Completion of Project work:
  - The Project Work shall be completed within the time frame of the annual action plan prepared as per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC society's Ť. . Operational Manual, JFMC & EDC Manual as annexed herewith and is per the amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party.
- 5. Duties and responsibilities of the First party
  - The First party in consultation with the respective Circle Conservator shall demarcate the forest area, where the Second Party shall be allowed to undertake £. all the project activities and discharge all the responsibilities as per the puideline

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  - v. The First Party shall have the right to instruct to stop or suspend any activity a any stage if there is any deviation from the specification prescribed in the APFBa Society's Operational Manual, JFMC & EDC Manual as annexed herewith and i per amendments made in it from time to time by the First Party, or violation of any of the terms of this agreement and demand recovery of its payments.
- 6. Duties and responsibilities of the Second Party:
  - Apart from observing all the duties and responsibilities as prescribed in the APFBC Society's Operational Manual, JFMC & EDC Manual as annex herewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith and as per the amendments made in it from time to time by the Fuherewith for the full for time to time by the full party; the Second Party shall be responsible to manage and implement all t decisions of the Joint Forest Management Committee
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  - Estimates for Works etc.
     The Second Party shall assign duties and responsibilities to the members and m constitute sub-committees as needed with a view to ensure implementation of i joint Forest Management Committee micro-plan and for effective discharge
  - iv. The Second Party in consultation with the General Body shall evo methodology on all issues relating to membership, conflict resoluti encroachments, customary rights and benefit sharing.
  - v. The Second Party shall prepare a Micro Plan for Project Works as per guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Society's Operational Manual, JFMC & E Manual as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it from time time by the First Party
  - vi. It shall be the responsibility of the Second Party to account for and manage funds and other resources received from the Government, other sources and funds internally generated, in accordance with sound financial standards practices.
  - vii. The Second Party shall identify and fix the responsibility on the members of Joint Forest Management Committee who commit specific offences like gra;

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Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Division

in the Forest and plantation areas, non-cooperation and disobedience towards decisions of the General Body and Executive committee and inflict Penalties as per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Society's Operational Manual, IFMC & EDC Manual as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it from

The Second Party shall ensure that the procurements are made as specified in the time to time by the First Party Procurement Procedure Manual of the APFBC Society as provided by the First Party and also as per the guidelines prescribed in the APFBC Society's Operational Manual, as annexed herewith and as per the amendments made in it

The Second Party shall be responsible for bringing any discrepancy or irregularity

- The Second Party shall abide by the technical suggestion/ direction of the First to the notice of the representative of the First Party ix.
- The Second Party shall ensure that there is no nos-utilization of the fund during Party or his representatives. Xi
- The Second Party shall pay all duties, taxes and other levies payable against execution of the Project Works. xi.
- The Second Party shall exercise its rights under this agreement in such manner a sii
- to protect the interests of the French Development Agency and First Party. The second party shall be responsible for maintenance and security of th property / equipment, if any supplied to individuals / communities as part of it xiii.
- project and ensures the same is not mis-utilized. XIV.
- Dispute Settlement:
- During execution of work, any dispute arises between the two parties, relating to a aspect of this agreement, the parties shall first attempt to settle the dispute throu mutual and amicable consultation. If the dispute is not settled through st consultation, the matter may be referred for arbitration to the Chairman of the DAC

- Signature of the First Party (Officers of the Forest Department, Asset SI.No. Name & Designation Signature (Divisional Forest Officer) 1. (Forest Range Officer)
  - 2.

Signature of the Second Party (Members of the Committee) Signature Name & Address :

(Treasurer) Shi Abushdaik ALi 2. 51° Eriz Fifth (Member-Secretary) A.K. Nazami Ahmeel, Fe-F. A.K. Norzami (President) Svi Haven Bora (Treasurer) Smi Abusidaix ALi ١., 2. 3.

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Name & Address: 1. Sni Shinj Rajbenthi 2. Sni Sanjay Borah 3. Signature 1. 2. 3.

# Appendix IV

## **Executive Members of Rekhapahar JFMC**

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## Appendix V

#### **Executive Members group Photo of Rekhapahar JFMC**



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## **Appendix VI**

### List of members present during PRA & FGD (Signed list)

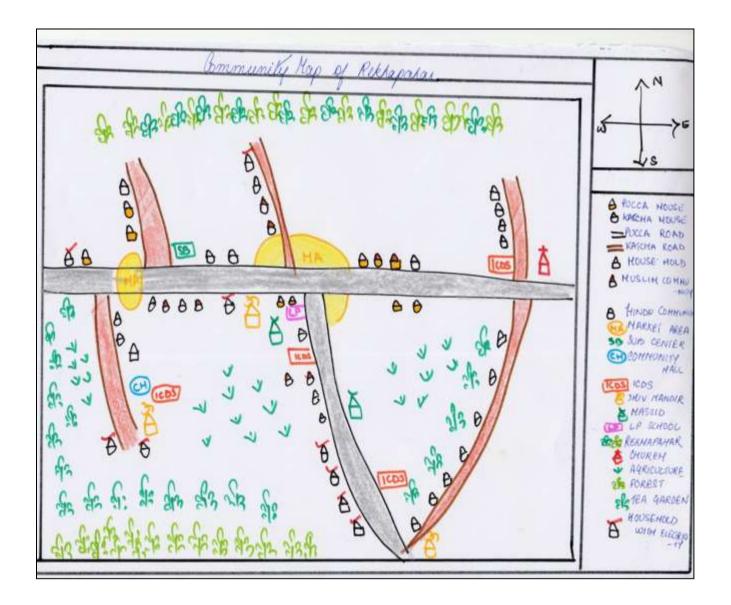
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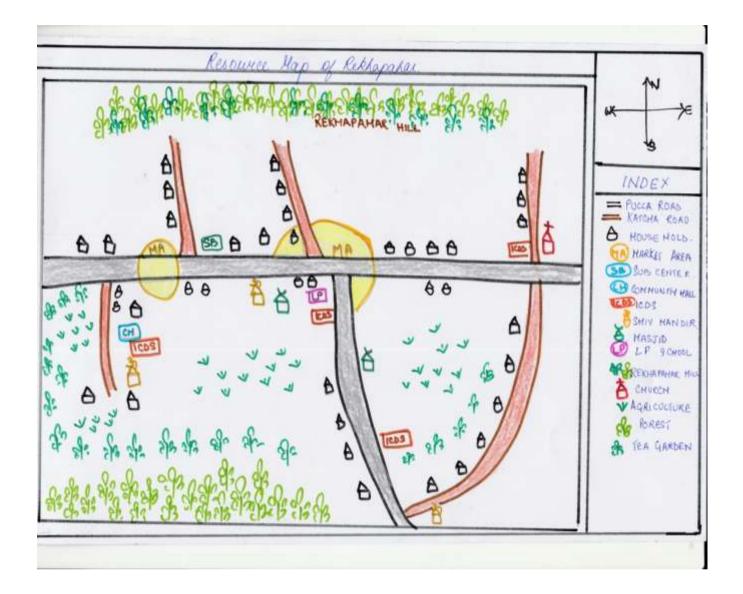
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# **Appendix VII(A)**

#### Community map of Rekhapahar JFMC

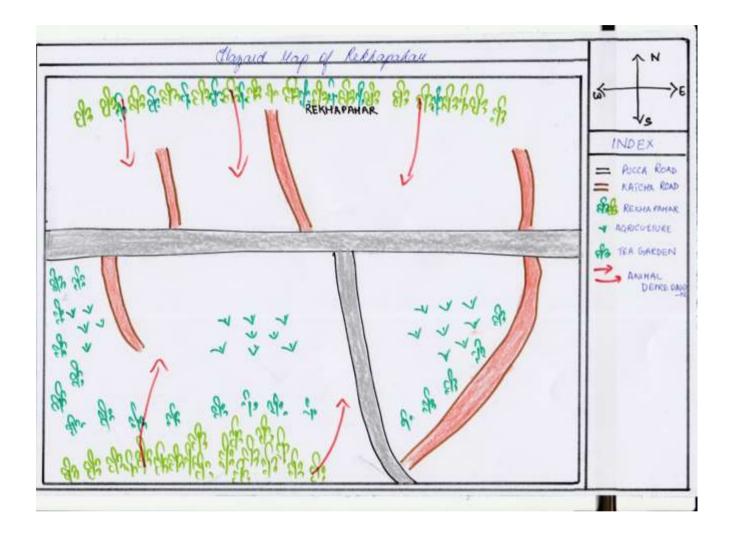


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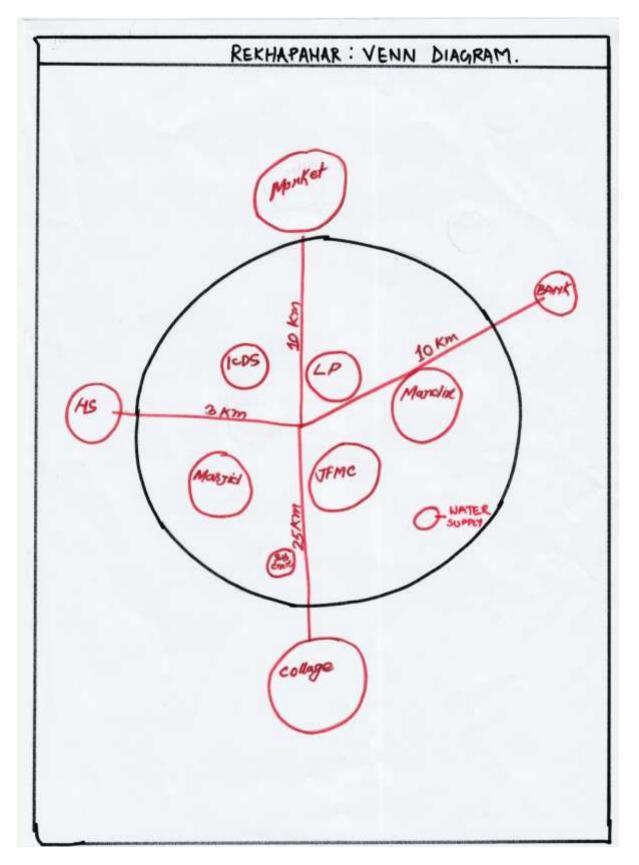
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#### Hazard map of Rekhapahar JFMC



# **Appendix VII(C)**

### Venn Diagram



## **Appendix VIII**

#### **Entry point Activities**

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# Appendix IX (A)

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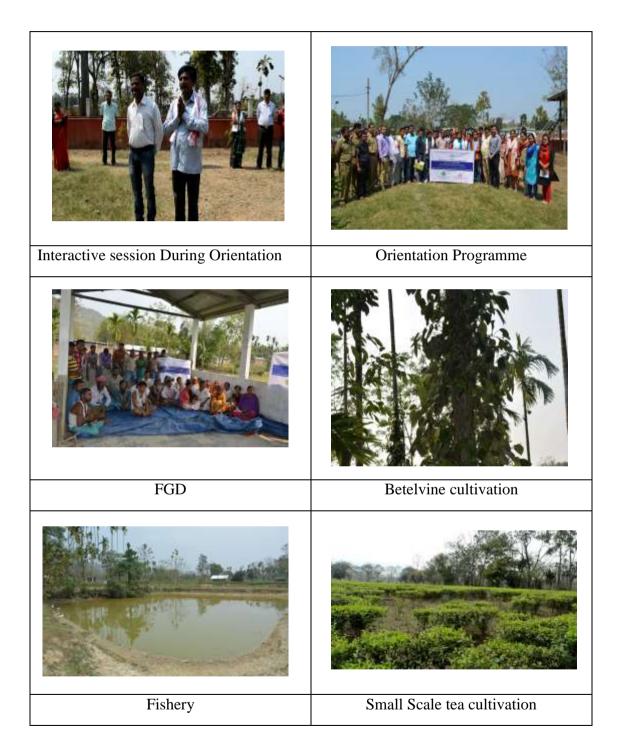
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### Photographs



# **Appendix XI**

#### **GPS Coordinates**

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Starting Point	E-93°01'38.2"
2. Meeting Point	N-26°28'34.5"
	E-93°01'06.9"
3. Haren Borah House	N-26°28'30.5"
	E-93°01'06.1"
4. Sub-centre	N-26°28'34.8"
	E-93°01'18.1"
5. End Point	N-26°28'35.3"
	E-93°00'53.1"



#### **GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS** OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER: NAGAON DIVISION, NAGAON Phone & Fax No. 03672-233610 Email ID- dfonagaont@gmail.com Letter No. FNGT/A/APFBC/2017/ 1451-52

Dated - 23/05/20/7

To,

The Project Director, APFBC, Society Panjabari, Guwahati - 37.

Subject:

Approval of Micro plan of 9 nos. of JFMC.

Sir,

With reference to subject cited above, I have the honour to inform you that Microplan of 9 nos. JFMCs i.e. Baghekaity JFMC, Borghat JFMC, Rekhapahar JFMC, Daponibori JFMC, Silsang Bengana Bari JFMC, Bura Raja Gaon JFMC, Kandapara JFMC, Madhabpara JFMC & Padumoni JFMC under Nagaon Division, Nagaon is hereby approved with minor modification and a copy of Microplan submitted to the Executive Director of Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Nidhi.

This is for favour of your kind information.

Yours faithfully,

(Suvasish Das, IFS) Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Division, Nagaon.

Copy to:-

1. The Conservator of Forests, Northern Assam Circle, Tezpur for favour of kind information.

> (Suvasish Das, IFS) Divisional Forest Officer. Nagaon Division, Nagaon

SI No.	Ammendments suggested	Corrections done
1	Correct the name of reserve forest in the cover page	Corrected the names in cover page
2	Correction in the year of Forest Conservation Act from 1981 to 1980	Correction done in Acronym
3	Inclusion of the number of households involved in past protection measures	Included in Chapter 9,Sub heading 9.2

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