



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER::: UDALGURI::ASSAM
(DISASTER MANAGEMENT BRANCH)



Minutes of the meeting on "Status of Human Elephant Negative Interaction in Udalguri District" held on 20/05/2025 at 12:00 Noon in the Conference Hall of the District Commissioner's Office, Udalguri.

Members Present at Annexure-A

A District Level meeting on "Status of Human Elephant Negative Interaction in Udalguri District" was held on 20th May, 2025 at 12:00 noon in the Conference Hall of District Commissioner's Office, Udalguri. The meeting was chaired by Shri Pulak Patgiri, ACS, District Commissioner, Udalguri District.

At the outset, Shri Manojyoti Kutum, ACS, Additional District Commissioner (Disaster Management), Udalguri welcomed all the members present at the meeting and emphasized on the necessity of preparedness to be undertaken by all responding agencies and stakeholders responsible for managing human-elephant conflict in Udalguri District.

After detailed discussion, the following resolutions were taken:

1. The District Forest Officer, Udalguri, informed the House about the damages caused by elephants last year and also elaborated on the compensation received from the government. He also informed the house that the Nonoi Range is the most affected area by elephants.
2. WWF representative Shri Anupam Sarmah presented WWF's activities and experiences in Udalguri District. He explained the behaviors of elephant herds, pointed that conflict occurs most frequently during the harvesting season.
3. The Chairman instructed Dr. Susanta Borgohain, Consultant, SFDRR, DDMA, Udalguri, to form a Coordinating/Monitoring Committee involving departments such as Forest, Police, DDMA, members of Tea Gardens, NGOs, and SSB.
4. The WWF informed the house about the installation of illegal high-voltage fencing by local people, which has harmed elephants and could potentially be fatal. They also suggested that no fencing should be installed along elephant corridors.
5. The District Forest Officer, Dhansiri Forest Division, Udalguri requested the Chair to provide torches and firecrackers for public safety in vulnerable areas.
6. The Chairman instructed the District Agriculture Officer, Udalguri, to conduct public awareness campaigns on the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana scheme so that the farmers whose crops are damaged by elephants may avail the benefits of insurance.



7. The Chairman instructed all stakeholders to implement necessary measures, conduct awareness programmes in conflict zones (hot-spots) for managing human-elephant conflict in Udalguri District.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chair.

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1. The Addl. Chief Executive Officer, Assam State Disaster Management Authority, Dispur Guwahati-06.
2. All Members present for kind information and necessary action.
3. The DIO, NIC for uploading the minutes in official website.
4. Office file.

(e-Signed)
District Commissioner &
Chairman DDMA, Udalguri

