

VISIT NOTE ON ROAD /HIGH TENSION CABLE LINES ON NAGRAKATA – JALDHAKA ROAD, DIST. JALPAIGURI & KALIMPONG

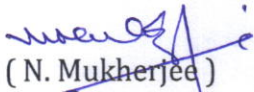
I had recently visited Jaldhaka Hydroelectric Power Plant run by W.B.S.E.D.C.L. I approached the power plant from Nagrakata, Chapramari road in Jalpaiguri district though the plant is physically situated in Kalimpong district.

2. I observed that the high voltage power transmission lines (33 KV tower) were criss-crossing the motorable road at several points carrying high-voltage electricity. There were no protective NETS placed underneath the high-voltage wires. This is a very hazardous situation as it can cause immediate electrocution in the event the wires snap due to thunderstorm, or any other cause. It will cause immense damage to motorist, trucks or pedestrians as the road carries heavy traffic.

3. From Human-Rights point of views it is recommended that concerned authorities should immediately place protective nettings underneath cross-over points to prevent any untoward event as mentioned above.

4. Special Secretary, West Bengal Human Rights Commission is directed to send this note (after authentication) to Additional Chief Secretary, Power Department, Govt. of West Bengal with copies to District Magistrates, Kalimpong and Jalpaiguri. Action taken Report be sent to West Bengal Human Rights Commission by Additional Chief Secretary, Power Department within three (3) months time.

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