

12. Three Parallel Rivers of Yunnan Protected Area (China) (N 1083 bis)

Decision: 35 COM 7B.12

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined Document WHC-11/35.COM/7B,
2. Recalling Decision **32COM 7B.11**, adopted at its 32nd session (Quebec City, 2008),
3. Notes with concern reports that unapproved construction has begun at the Liuku dam on the Nu River outside the property, which appears to have resulted in the displacement of the Lisu people and the construction of new roads adjacent to its boundaries, and notes reports that surveying for four projects - Maji, Yabilou, Liuku and Saige, outside the boundary – is underway, including drilling and road construction;
4. Also notes the State Party's report that a dam has been approved outside the property on the Jinsha River, 30 km from the buffer zone of the Haba Snow Mountain sub-unit, as well as reports of active applications for dams at Ludila and Longkiakou on the Jinsha River, and regrets that no Environmental Impact Assessment has been submitted to the World Heritage Centre, in conformity with Paragraph 172 of the *Operational Guidelines*;
5. Considers that the many proposed dams could cumulatively constitute a potential danger to the property's Outstanding Universal Value, as defined in Paragraph 180(b)(ii) of the *Operational Guidelines*;
6. Requests the State Party to submit to the World Heritage Centre by **1 February 2012** a detailed list and map of all proposed dams and mines that could affect the property, and to submit to the World Heritage Centre the Environmental Impact Assessments for any such dam and mining proposals, prior to their approval, in conformity with Paragraph 172 of the *Operational Guidelines*;
7. Also requests the State Party to submit to the World Heritage Centre, by **1 February 2012**, a report on the state of conservation of the property and on the progress made in undertaking a Strategic Environmental Assessment of all the proposed dams and ancillary development that could potentially affect the property's Outstanding Universal Value, for examination by the World Heritage Committee at its 36th session in 2012.

13. Kaziranga National Park (India) (N 337)

Decision: 35 COM 7B.13

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined Document WHC-11/35.COM/7B.Add,
2. Recalling Decision **33 COM 7B.13**, adopted at its 33rd session (Seville, 2009),

3. Regrets that the State Party did not submit a report on the state of conservation of the property nor an Environmental Impact Assessment of the alternatives to the proposed upgrading of the highway NH37, as requested by the World Heritage Committee at its 33rd session;
4. Notes reports received by IUCN that:
 - a) The park authorities have increased efforts to prevent poaching, and that poaching is now largely under control,
 - b) The National Highway Authority has abandoned the proposal to upgrade highway NH37, which runs along the southern boundary of the property, and is considering a new alignment which will circumvent the property along an existing road on the northern bank of the Brahmaputra River;
5. Requests the State Party to develop and implement a monitoring and management system to address the issue of invasive species;
6. Urges the State Party to inform the World Heritage Centre of any planned developments that could negatively impact the Outstanding Universal Value of the property, including dams, in accordance with Paragraph 172 of the *Operational Guidelines*, and to submit Environmental Impact Assessments of such plans to the World Heritage Centre prior to taking a final decision;
7. Also requests the State Party to submit to the World Heritage Centre, by **1 February 2012**, a report on the state of conservation of the property, including a report on i) the question of the approval and alignment of the alternative highway expansion that avoids the property, ii) any plans regarding dam construction that may affect the property and iii) time series data of key wildlife populations and poaching records, as well as the other issues raised above.

14. Keoladeo National Park (India) (N 340)

Decision: 35 COM 7B.14

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined Document WHC-11/35.COM/7B.Add,
2. Recalling Decision **33 COM 7B.14**, adopted at its 33rd session (Seville, 2009),
3. Welcomes the State Party's initiatives to increase the involvement of local communities in the management of the property, and commends the State Party for its efforts to ensure the long-term conservation of satellite wetlands, in line with the recommendations of the 2008 reactive monitoring mission;
4. Notes with serious concern that the completion of the Govardhan Drain and the Dholpur – Bharatpur drinking water project has been further delayed since its 33rd session (Seville, 2009), requests the State Party to ensure the completion of these projects urgently, and urges the State Party to continue the release of water from the Panchana dam to the property annually;