

प्रभागीय वन अधिकारी का कार्यालय
दक्षिण अण्डमान, विम्बर्लीगंज

**OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
SOUTH ANDAMAN, WIMBERLYGUNJ**

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**PRESS NOTE**

In a major breakthrough, the Forest officials of Mannarghat Range during their routine patrolling detected 2.0978 cbm. of padauk hand sawn timber from Burma Jetty near Shore Point in the wee hours of 14.07.2019.

The team consisting of Foresters S/Shri Abdul Gafoor, Shri Rajeswar Rao, Abdul Majeed and other workers while on their routine patrolling on the night of 14.07.2019 at Burma Jetty, Shortpoint, noticed some suspicious activity and on getting closer to the seashore, they noticed that padauk sawn timber was being unloaded from a fishing dinghy. On seeing the approaching Forest officials, the offenders ran away and escaped in the Mangrove forest taking advantage of pitch darkness. The dinghy along with the padauk sawn timber was immediately seized under the provisions of IFA, 1927 and further investigation on the matter is going on. The entire operation was carried out under the close supervision of Shri Ismale Kujur, Range Officer, Mannarghat.

The Divisional Forest Officer, South Andaman has further appealed to the general public to pass on credible information pertaining to illegal activities related to forest & wildlife over phone No.256178 & 255228. The identity of the informer will be kept secret.



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