

# Etalin hydroelectric project

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**Context-** The Etalin hydroelectric project in Arunachal Pradesh has been rejected in its present form by the Forest Advisory Committee in the face of overwhelming opposition for its construction.

## Key Highlights

- The Forest Advisory Committee has asked the Arunachal Pradesh government to file a fresh proposal for forest diversion and the construction of the Etalin hydroelectric project (EHEP) because of the non-compliance to conditions stipulated by the FAC and the overwhelming pushback against the project in the region.

## Etalin project

- The Etalin project was being executed through the Etalin Hydro Electric Power Company Limited, a JV company of Jindal Power Limited and Hydro Power Development Corporation of Arunachal Pradesh Limited (A Govt of Arunachal Pradesh Undertaking).
- The installed capacity of the project is 3097 MW as per the detailed report of the project.
- It is also envisaged as a run-of-the-river scheme on rivers Dri and Tangon in the Dibang Valley District of Arunachal Pradesh.
- It ran into various controversies since its inception in 2008 over concerns of ecological damage, forest invasion, and tribal displacement.