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## The Rhino Road Stop

A police officer waved us over to the side of the road in Assam, India. Was Grandfather driving too fast? He was eager to show me the farm where our family has grown tea for generations. It was my first visit to my parents' home country.

"I must ask for your patience while we close the road," the police officer said. "It borders a national park where rhinos live. A baby rhino has fallen into a trench not far from here, and the mother is in the woods, as angry as a hurricane."

When the rescue crew arrived, we helped unload their gear. In the distance, we heard the mother's angry snorts. The veterinarians said that the calf was about two months old, and they carefully lifted her out of the trench. As we watched her trot into the woods toward her mother, I felt proud to have played a small part in her rescue.