

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
FORESTS & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**

**ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR**

**NOTIFICATION**

*Dated : Shillong, the 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.*

**No. FOR. 50/2001/Vol.1/747 :-** In supersession of this Department's Notification No. FOR. 50/2001/Vol-1/701, dated 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 and in accordance with the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 in category-I- Matters relating to Wood Based Industries in I.A. No. 2365 in 1406/2005 in W.P(s) (civil) No(s). 202/1995, T.N. Godavarman Thirumulpad vs Union of India & Ors, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to re-constitute the State Level Committee for Wood-Based Industries, comprising of the following members :-

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| 1.  | Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Head of Forest Force   | Chairperson      |
| 2.  | Deputy Director General of Forests (C), Govt. of India, Regional Office Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Meghalaya, Shillong. | Member           |
| 3.  | Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Revenue & Disaster Management Department.  | Member           |
| 4.  | Conservator of Forests (T), Khasi & Jaintia Hills, Meghalaya, Shillong.   | Member           |
| 5.  | Conservator of Forests (CC, R & T), Meghalaya, Shillong.  | Member           |
| 6.  | Director, Agriculture, Meghalaya, Shillong  | Member           |
| 7.  | Director of Commerce & Industries, Meghalaya, Shillong.   | Member           |
| 8.  | Chief Forest Officer/Representatives of the Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Shillong.  | Member           |
| 9.  | Chief Forest Officer/Representative of the Jaintia Hills Autonomous District Council, Jowai.  | Member           |
| 10. | Chief Forest Officer/Representative of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council, Tura.  | Member           |
| 11. | Managing Director, Forest Development Corporation of Meghalaya  | Member           |
| 12. | Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Meghalaya, Shillong   | Member Secretary |

**Terms of reference of the Committee :**

- (i) Assess the availability of timber for wood based industrial units in the State every five years.
- (ii) Assess quantity of different raw material requirement for wood based industrial units which may be sustainably harvested from trees outside forest areas in the State.
- (iii) Assess annual requirement of timber and other forest produce in the domestic markets in the State.
- (iv) Maintain a database of timber and other raw materials utilized by each wood based industrial unit permitted to establish and operate in the State during each financial year.
- (v) Approve appropriate locations for setting up of wood based industrial units.
- (vi) Approve the name of wood based industrial units which may be considered for grant of fresh or enhancement of the existing licensed capacity in case the Committee is satisfied

that timber is available legally for the said new Wood Based Industries (such as trees outside forest areas, forests etc)

- (vii) The State Level Committee will ensure that the amount lying with the respective State Forest Departments (recovered from Wood Based Industries) will be utilized for the purpose of afforestation only.
- (viii) Examine and make appropriate recommendations on any other matter referred by the State Government or the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate.

Sd/-

(Pravin Bakshi, IAS)

Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,  
Forests & Environment Department.

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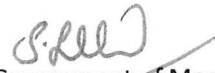
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1. The P.S. to the Minister in-charge, Forests & Environment Department for kind information of the Minister.
2. The P.A to the Commissioner & Secretary, Forest & Environment Department for information of the Commissioner & Secretary.
3. The Director, Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi-110003 for information.
4. The Deputy Director General of Forest (C), Government of India, Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Law-u-Sib, Lumbatngen, Near MTC Workshop, Shillong-793021.
5. The Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Revenue & disaster Management Department
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Meghalaya, Shillong.
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14. The Chief Forest Officer/Representatives of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council, Tura.
15. The Managing Director, Forest Development Corporation of Meghalaya.
16. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong for publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.
17. The Senior System Analyst NIC Shillong Meghalaya with a request to place in Government website.
18. Guard file/Office copy.

By Order etc;



Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya  
Forest & Environment Department.

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