#### No. F (T)/21/23

# प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक का कार्यालय OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, अण्डमान तथा निकोबार द्वीप समूह

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS, वन सदन, हैंडो ।

VANSADAN-HADDO.

Port Blair, dated the 12th April, 2017

То

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Forest Policy)
Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
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Fax No. 011 – 24695378

Sub: Latest Status and Action Taken Report on the Guidelines for Felling and Transit Regulation for Tree Species grown on Non-Forests/ Private lands – regd.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 8-14/2004-FP (Vol.3) dated 27.03.2016 on the above mentioned subject, I am directed to submit the following information:

SI. No.	Points	ATR/ Status
1.	Felling regime for tree species grown on the non forest/private land	Administration has submitted a Draft Regulation titled A & N Felling and Transit of Trees Species on Non Forest Land Regulation, 2005 to the Ministry of Home Affairs which is under consideration.
2.	Transit regime for tree species grown on the non forest/private land	As per the Andaman & Nicobar Island Forest Produce Rules, 1966, TP is required for transit of forest produce in A & N Islands and no exemption for any species has been provided in the Regulation.

The forests close to villages are vulnerable to illegal activities, and therefore, issuance of TP for forest produce for tree species grown on forest land is essentially required.

In this regard our earlier reply dated 18.10.2016 (copy enclosed) on the matter may also kindly to be referred.

Yours (a)thfully,

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Deputy Conservator of Forests
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#### OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS, VANSADAN-HADDO.

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Port Blair, 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.

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Sub: Guidelines for Felling and Transit Regulations for Tree species Grown on Non Forest/ Private land – regarding.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 8-14/2004-FP(Vol.2) dated 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 on the above subject, I am directed to submit the following information as under:-

- (a) In compliance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 07.05.2002 accepting the recommendation of Shekhar Singh Commission report, the A&N Administration is finalising draft regulation titled 'A&N Felling and Transit of Trees Species on Non-Forest Land Regulation 2005' and the draft regulation is under consideration of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (b) Teak plantations which exist in these islands are introduced and are being removed in a phased manner to bring back the area into natural profile as per Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 07.05.2002. Therefore, Teak (Tectona grandis) and Kadam (Anthocephalus kadamba) need to be excluded from the list 'A' of Ministries 'Guidelines.
- (c) A Notification has been issued vide No.194/2002 F.No. 22(E)/156 dated 27.09.2002 in pursuance to Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated 07.05.2002 where-in complete ban has been imposed on the movement of logs or timber in any form including sawn timber from Andaman & Nicobar Islands to anywhere in India or anywhere else, Therefore this aspect needs to considered and incorporated in the Guidelines for Andaman & Nicobar Island as an exception.
- (d) Teak and Padauk are available in the natural forest of these islands apart from the existing pure plantations. Exemption of permission for felling and transit of both the species as mentioned in the Guidelines would be against the Acts and Rules in force Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

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- (e) There are no recorded agro forestry plantations in these islands. Fo promote Agro forestry in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, a system of record of plantations/register agro forestry plantation are to be maintained by the DFOs concerned for facilitating inspection of such plantations as well as issuance of T.P at the time of actual transportation of such species without any restriction.
  - (f) Electronic format of the T.P may be encouraged /promoted for easy checking and facilitating for inter-state transportation of Forest Produce and steps may also be taken to upload such T.P in the website for facilitating checking by the authorities concerned.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Conservator of Forests (Planning & Monitoring)

Copy to-

1- The General Section, PCCP's Office for information

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Port Blair, 14th October, 2016.

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Forest Policy) Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, 6th Floor Vayu Wing, Jor Bagh Road, Aligunj, New Delhi - 110003. Fax No. 011 - 24695378

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