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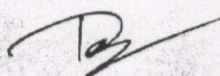
**ORDER**

**Sub: Extraction of trees involved in forest land diversion cases under the Forest Conservation Act.**

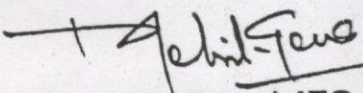
In supersession of this office Order No. PCCF/FCA/3046/1544-46 dated 29-05-2020 on the subject, the following instructions are hereby issued with immediate effect: (*This will have no bearing on the decision already taken in pursuance of the said order and follow up action in progress.*)

1. Administrative Approval for extraction of trees involved in forest land diversion cases shall be issued by Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial) concerned, inter-alia, specifying the agency for extraction considering the following;
  - i. In all the cases involving only Broad Leaved trees, the extraction shall be carried out departmentally and disposed of as per extant Government orders.
  - ii. In the cases involving conifer trees having a total standing volume upto 1000 Cft, extraction shall be carried out departmentally and disposed of as per extant Government orders.
  - iii. In the cases involving conifer trees having a total standing volume of more than 1000 Cft, extraction of trees shall be carried out by J&K Forest Development Corporation Ltd. (JKFDCL).
  - iv. In case the Chief Conservator of Forests concerned finds it expedient to deviate from the above general approach on operational grounds, a decision in such a case shall be taken in consultation with Managing Director, JKFDCL.

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2. The amount of time taken in processing of the FCA cases has been a matter of concern for the administration. In this context, this office vide communication dated 17-02-2020 had asked the territorial DFOs to involve the staff of JKFDCL at the time of enumeration of trees on the proposed diversion site. This would help them prepare the DPR for extraction of trees while the processing of the FCA case is going on, thus saving valuable time in the process of extraction once the case is sanctioned. Therefore, it is enjoined upon all territorial DFOs to involve JKFDCL (Divisional Manager of the area concerned) while enumeration of trees is in progress, in case the standing volume of conifer trees is estimation to be above 1000 cft.

  
(Dr. Mohit Gera) IFS 14/9/2020

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Jammu & Kashmir

No. PCCF/FCA/3046/2523-71

Dated: 16-09-2020

Copy for favour of information and necessary action to:-

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2. Chief Conservator of Forests Kashmir.
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