MINUTES OF THE 72nd FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SHRI MADHAV LAL, IAS, CHIEF SECRETARY, JAMMU AND KASHMIR GOVERNMENT, AT CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU, ON 19-11-2012.

The 72nd meeting of the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) constituted under the J&K Forest (Conservation) Act, 1997, was held under the chairmanship of **Shri Madhav Lal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Jammu and Kashmir Government**, at Civil Secretariat, Jammu, on 19th November, 2012.

The following members of the FAC / Special Invitees participated in the deliberations:-

(A) <u>Members FAC</u>

1.	Shri Iqbal Khandey, IAS Financial Commissioner, Finance Department, J&K	MEMBER
2.	Sheikh Ejaz Iqbal, IAS Commissioner/Secretary to Govt. Forest Department	MEMBER
3.	Shri Vinod Ranjan, IFS Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K	MEMBER
4.	Shri A.K.Singh, IFS Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K	MEMBER
5.	Shri Suresh Chugh, IFS Director, Environment and Remote Sensing, J&K	MEMBER
6.	Shri U. Pachnanda IFS Directoir, Soil Conservation Department, J&K	MEMBER
7.	Shri M.H.Malik Special Secretary, Planning	Representative of Principal Secretary, Planning Deptt.
8.	Shri J.S. Manhas D.C Central	Representative of Financial Commissioner (Revenue)
9.	Prof. S.P.Singh Dutta (Environmentalist)	MEMBER (Non- Official)
10	 Shri H.S. Salathia, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) & Nodal Officer 	MEMBER SECRETARY, FAC
(B)	Special Invitees	
1.	Shri Atal Dulloo, IAS Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Tourism Department.	Spl.Invitee
2.	Shri Manzoor Ahmed Khan, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir	Spl. Invitee
3.	Shri Mushtaq Ahmad Lone. Chief Engineer, PWD (R&B), Srinagar.(Kashmir)	Spl. Invitee

The item-wise agenda of the meeting presented by Shri H.S. Salathia, IFS, Member Secretary, FAC, was discussed and deliberated upon by the participating members and the following decisions were taken:-

Agenda Item No.	Proposal	Forest Division	Indenting Agency	Decision of the Forest Advisory Committee
71.01	Proposal to allow use of 2.12 hectare of forest land for improvement of track conditions from Panjtarni to Holy Cave of Shri Amarnath Ji (Pahalgam route) and construction of separate pony track from Base Camp to Holy Cave	Lidder & Sindh	Pahalgam Development Authority	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the proposal.
71.02	Proposal to allow use of 0.256 hectare of forest land for improvement of track conditions from Domail to Sansani Top (Baltal route to the Holy Cave of Shri Amarnath Ji)	Sindh	PWD (R&B)	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the proposal.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

H. S. Salathia, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) & Nodal Officer Member Secretary, Forest Advisory Committee