

**MINUTES OF THE 88th FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD UNDER
THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF Mr. IQBAL KHANDEY IAS, CHIEF SECRETARY, JAMMU
AND KASHMIR, AT CIVIL SECRETARIAT, SRINAGAR ON 08/06/2015.**

The 88th meeting of the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) constituted under the J&K Forest (Conservation) Act, 1997, was held under the chairmanship of Mr. Iqbal Khandey, IAS, Chief Secretary, Jammu and Kashmir Government, at Civil Secretariat, Srinagar on 8th June, 2015.

The following members of the FAC and special invitees attended the meeting:

(I) Members (FAC)

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| 1. Dr. Arun Kumar IAS | Financial Commissioner (Revenue) |
| 2. Sh. R. K. Gupta, IAS | Principal Secretary, Forest Deptt |
| 3. Sh. A.K. Singh, IFS | Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K |
| 4. Sh. Deepak Khanna IFS | Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K |
| 5. Sh. Ravi Kesar, IFS | Director, Soil and Water Conservation Deptt., J&K |
| 6. Sh. Suresh Chugh, IFS | Director, Deptt. of Env. & RS, J&K |
| 7. Prof. G.A. Bhatt | Member (Non-official) |
| 8. Dr. M. Ishaq | Director General (Budget) |
| (Representative of the Commissioner Secretary, Finance Department) | |
| 9. Sh. Rajeev Kr. Tiwari, IFS | Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) (Member Secretary). |

(II) Special Invitees

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| 1. Sh. Rohit Kansal, IAS | Commissioner/Secretary, PW(R&B) Department |
| 2. Sh. Parvaiz Ahmad Malik, IAS | Secretary, PHE, Irrigation and FC Department |
| 3. Sh. Arun Tickoo, IFS | Director, Social Forestry Department, J&K |
| 4. Sh. Nissar Ad. Darji, IFS | Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir. |
| 5. Sh. Sayeed Nayeem | Chief Engineer, PMGSY, Jammu. |
| 6. Sh. Arshad Iqbal | Chief Manager, PGCI. |
| 7. Sh. Vinod Goswami | Consultant, GIGL. |

The itemówise agenda for the approval of following proposals was presented by Sh. Rajeev Kumar Tiwari IFS, Member Secretary, Forest Advisory Committee. Proposals were discussed and following decisions were taken;

Agenda Item No.	Proposal	Forest Division	Indenting Agency	Decision of FAC
88.01	Proposal to allow use of 2.3506 Ha. of Chakore Wildlife Reserve for 400 KV Kishenpur to New Wanpoh Transmission Line.	Ramban	Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd.	Proposal was approved on the terms and conditions laid down in the Agenda.
88.02	Proposal to allow felling of 540 trees for Bhathinda-Jammu Pipeline Project.	Social Forestry Division Jammu/ Kathua	GSPL India GASNET Limited	Proposal was approved on the terms and conditions laid down in the Agenda.
88.03	Proposal to allow use of 2.7893 Ha. of forest land for construction of road Banihal to Mangit Phase-IV (realignment).	Ramban	PMGSY	Proposal was deferred with the direction that the Chief Engineer PMGSY Jammu will submit a detailed plan for the stabilization of the abandoned section of road duly funded by the PMGSY under the project. The Chief Conservator of Forests Jammu will also submit a special project for Afforestation of the same section with the objective to restore the forest cover on the rugged and steep slope.
88.04	Proposal to allow use of 1.10 Ha. of forest land for construction of water storage tank at Baba Mukam (Wani Duroosa) for irrigation purpose.	Kamraj	Irrigation & Flood Control	Proposal was approved on the terms and conditions laid down in the Agenda.
88.05	Proposal to allow use of 1.11 Ha. of forest land for construction of water storage tank at Syed Shiraz Pora for irrigation purpose.	Kamraj	Irrigation & Flood Control	Proposal was approved on the terms and conditions laid down in the Agenda.
88.06	Proposal to allow use of 1.47 Ha. of forest land for		Irrigation & Flood	Proposal was approved on the terms and conditions laid down

	construction of water storage tank at Rangwar Larpora for irrigation purpose.	Kamraj	Control	in the Agenda.
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Status of the payment of outstanding amount by the different User Agencies was reviewed by the committee and following decisions were taken;

- i. Each Chief Engineer of a province/project will be treated as one user agency instead of the department as a whole.
- ii. Cases, which have already been recommended by the FAC and the Cabinet approval has also been accorded with an inbuilt condition to pay the outstanding amount and if in any such case the due amount has been paid, the sanction order may be issued and it should not be linked with the payment of outstanding amount in the old cases.
- iii. The committee decided that proposals of following departments should now be placed before the FAC, in view the efforts made by the respective departments in reconciliation and payment of old outstanding.
 - a. Border Roads Organisation
 - b. Northern Railways
 - c. Power Development Department
 - d. State Power Development Corporation
 - e. Chief Engineer (Kashmir), Irrigation and Flood Control Department.
- iv. The status of payment of old outstanding shall be reviewed by the committee after three months.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Rajeev Kumar Tiwari, IFS
(Member Secretary)
Forest Advisory Committee.