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To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF's,
All States/ UTs

Sub: Pan India Card/ Transit Permit for inter-state movement of commonly grown agro-forestry species - reg.

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer to the Ministry's letter of even number dated 6.10.2017 and the minutes of the meeting held with the PCCF&HoFF's of all the States/ Union territories on 19.12.2017 in the Ministry regarding promotion of agroforestry in the country.

2. Requirement of felling and transit permits is found to be one of the major impediments in the growth of agroforestry sector in India. Even though, in many States the felling regime have been liberalized the inter-state transit of timber is a major problem being faced by the growers. This is a great disincentive and hence the growers are not keen to raise trees on their farm lands. Hence there is a need to revisit the existing felling/transit regime and substitute the same with a simple mechanism to promote growing of trees on private/non forest land. At the same time we need to address the inter-state movement of timber sourced from commonly grown tree species on private land.

3. To remove such impediments and also with a view to create an enabling environment for raising plantations on all available lands and also for augmenting the pace of tree plantation on private land, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change issued Model Guidelines for Liberalizing Felling and Transit Regime for Tree Species grown on Non-forest/Private land on 18th November, 2014 requesting all States/UTs to take necessary action followed by various Advisories. In the advisory dated 6.10.2017, the states/UTs were requested to consider exempting the following ten commonly grown agroforestry species from the requirement of felling and transit permit:-

(i) Eucalyptus, (ii) Poplar (iii) Casuarina (iv) Subabul (v) Silver oak (vi) Acacia Mangium (vii) Melia Dubia (Malabar Neem) (viii) Khejri (Prosopis spp.) (ix) Indian willow (Salix alba) and (x) Gamari (Gmelina Arborea), etc.

4. Recently an advisory for Pan India Transit Permit for inter-state movement of bamboo has been issued to all the States/Uts on 9.10.2017. On the similar lines a draft Pan India Transit Permit for inter-state movement of commonly grown agroforestry species initially with 10 indicated species are issued for consideration and suggestions for finalising the Pan India Transit inter-state movement of agroforestry species.

5. The following operational guidelines may be adhered to in respect of the said Pan India Permit:

- (i) Permit to be issued in bilingual (English and Hindi)
- (ii) Permit to be issued in four copies (one for DFO office, one for the trader, one for Range Office, one for concerned CF)
- (iii) Pass to have a limited validity of 45 days from the date of issue.
- (iv) No in lieu T.P. will be issued by other State. Only an endorsement to be made by the Check Post of States in transit.
- (v) Gradually this system can be shifted to an electronic National Portal System

6. This may be accorded priority and the action taken report may also be furnished to the Ministry.

Encl; as above.

Yours faithfully,


(Noyal Thomas) 23/11

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Copy to:

The Chief Secretary, All State/ UT Governments

Forest Department.....

Name of State/UT.....

Transit Permit for inter-state movement of ten commonly grown agroforestry species {(i) *Eucalyptus*, (ii) *Poplar* (iii) *Casuarina* (iv) *Subabul* (v) *Silver oak* (vi) *Acacia Mangium* (vii) *Melia Dubia* (Malabar Neem) (viii) *Khejri* (*Prosopis spp.*) (ix) *Indian willow* (*Salix alba*) and (x) *Gamari* (*Gmelina Arborea*)} within the Country

1. Details of Issuing Authority

- a) Name of Officer :
b) Designation of Official :
c) Office Address with Telephone No.:
d) Email and Mobile Number :

2. Permit No. _____

3. Details of the person(s)/entity to whom the permit is granted:-

- a) Name :
b) Aadhar Number/
Registration No. in case of a firm) :
c) Address :
d) Email and Contact details :

4. Date of issue :

5. Details of Species/Produce :

*(may attach a separate sheet)

S.No	Produce	Quantity in number / weight as applicable	Source of Origin	Remarks, if any
1	Species: (i) (ii) (iii)			
2	Timber: (i) (ii) (iii)			
	Produce: (i) (ii) (iii)			

6. Route(s) by which timber.of indicated species/produce produce will be transported:

7. Mode of Inter-State transport:

8. Details of Final Destination:

9. Marking through Transit by the concerned States:

10. Date of expiry of permit (validity of permit is 45 days from date of issue)

Date to be indicated:

DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER,

Forest Division
(Name, date and Seal)