



भारत सरकार  
पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS

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dated, the 09 October 2009

To

The Principal Chief Conservators of Forests  
All States/ Union Territories

**Sub: Annual permission for execution of Working Plan prescriptions**

Sir,

Ministry of Environment & Forests grants permission to the States for implementation of Working Plan prescriptions on an annual basis based on the proposals sent by the respective States. These proposals are prepared on the basis of annual operations prescribed in the approved Working Plans and the budgetary provision provided to implement those prescriptions. Such proposals are submitted to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry, which examines these proposals and forwards to the Ministry, if required, with their comments. In this process, information regarding compliance of the conditions stipulated in the permission are based on the figures of forest year preceding the year of felling. Thus, for the permission for 2008-09, the felling and regeneration operation carried out till June, 2008 are examined. This causes difficulty because there is not enough time for the State Government to compile the information beyond 30 June and Regional Office of the Ministry does not find enough time to scrutinise the proposal and carry out necessary field verification, if any. This has resulted in delay in according permission of the Ministry which adversely affects the work schedule.

2. In the Core Group meeting of the Ministry held on 26 August 2009, this issue was discussed and a decision has been taken that permission for implementation of Working Plan prescriptions for the year 2009-10 will be granted on the basis of compliance information of financial year 2007-08 i.e. work done up to 30 June 2008. Likewise, for permission for the year 2010-11, the relevant compliance period will be 2008-09 i.e. work done up to 30 June 2009.

3. This will leave enough opportunity for proper documentation and screening both at the State as well as at the Ministry's level.

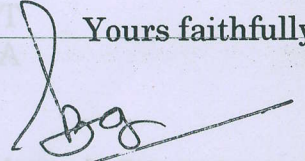


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4. Hence, the States are requested to submit their proposals for implementation of Working Plan prescriptions for the year 2009-10 immediately and for the year 2010-11 beginning January, 2010. This may please be implemented with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,



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1. CCF(C), Regional Office at Bangalore, Bhopal, Bhubaneshwar, Chandigarh, Lucknow & Shillong
2. Technical Director, NIC, Paryavaran Bhavan, New Delhi with the request to place this letter on the website under "Forest Conservation"
3. PPS to DGF&SS