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Government of West Bengal

Directorate of Forests,

O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force
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Kolkata-700106.

No: 58 /2M-52/2017

Date: 29.01.2018

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From: Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
Directorate of Forests
West Bengal.

To: Chief Conservator of Forest (Central Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (South West Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (South East Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (Western Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (Northern Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (Hill Circle)
Chief Conservator of Forest (Wild Life North Circle)

Sub: Forest Fire Preparedness Issuing of Advisory-Regarding

Ref: MoEF&CC F.No. 1-2/2015-FPD Dated 28-04-2017

Please find enclosed, a copy of the communication cited above, as received from the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (FPD), MoEF&CC, Government of India regarding the Forest Fire Preparedness.

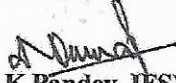
Accordingly, the State has been advised to undertake the following actions in the current fire season:

1. Mapping of assets/equipment to deal with Forest Fire be done at State/District level
2. Mapping of Water bodies for provisioning of water by the Air Force helicopter required for dousing fire by helicopter
3. Mapping of Helipads with coordinates near such water bodies, suitable sites for helipad be identified near water bodies where helipads do not exist.
4. The contact details of NDMA as per the communication enclosed need to be taken note of to seek assistance in case of any crisis situation arising due to forest fire.

In this regard it is requested to compile the information as required at S.No 1-3 above (District wise for each Circle) and forward the same to the Conservator of Forests, Working Plan and GIS Circle, West Bengal for further needful action at this end, preferably with in 5th February 2017.

This is for your kind information and needful action.

Encls. As stated


(N.K. Pandey, IFS)


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
West Bengal

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Copy forwarded for information to the Deputy Inspector General of Forests, FPD, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
vis a vis his communication cited above.


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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
West Bengal

MOST URGENT

F.No.1-2/2015-FPD
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
(Forest Protection Division)

Agni Wing, 5th Floor
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor Bagh
New Delhi - 110003
Dated: 27th April, 2017

To,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)
Department of Forests and Wildlife
Government of all States/UTs

Sub: Forest Fire Preparedness Issuing of advisory-regarding.

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's Advisories issued vide letter of even number dated 17.11.2016 and letter No. 17-3/2017 dated 09.03.2017, it is requested that the States and UTs may undertake the following actions in the current fire season.

- i. Mapping of assets/equipment to deal with Forest Fire be done at State/District level.
 - ii. Mapping of Water bodies for provisioning of water by the Air Force helicopter required for dousing fire by helicopter.
 - iii. Mapping of Helipads with coordinates near such water bodies, suitable sites for helipad be identified near water bodies where helipads do not exist.
2. States and UTs are also advised to take note of the following contact details of National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) to seek assistance in case of any crisis situation arising due to forest fire.

NDMA Control Room	Tel. 011-26701728, Fax: 26701729) and email ndmacontrolroom@gmail.com .
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3. States/UTs are also requested to refer to the letter no. 02/158/SFC&SOP/Ops/2017, dt 11.04.2017 of NDMA addressed to Chief Secretaries of the states (copy enclosed) regarding availing financial support for conducting mock exercises for forest fire at state/district level. Accordingly, states/UTs willing to avail such assistance, may send proposals directly to NDMA, as per details in the above letter.

Encl: as above

Yours Sincerely

(A. K. Mohanty)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (FPD)

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Government of India
 Ministry of Home Affairs
National Disaster Management Authority
 NDMA Bhawan, A-1, Safdarjung Enclave,
 New Delhi - 110 029



No. 02/158/SFC&SOP/Ops/2017

Dated, the 11 Apr, 17

To

Chief Secretaries / Administrators of States / UTs

Subject: Financial Support to States and UTs for Conduct of Mock Exercises.

Sir,

1. Please refer to NDMA letter No.02/112/SFC & SOP/2016 dated 07 June,2016 (copy enclosed) vide which information about a New Scheme for providing Financial Support to States/UTs for conduct of Mock Exercises at State/Districts level launched during the year 2016-2017 was circulated, this New Scheme is being continued for the year 2017-2018.
2. It is requested that demand for funds for the year 2017-2018, as per letter issued by NDMA quoted above, may be furnished on following proforma through Fax/ by post latest by 15 May, 2017 (15 May, 2017) positively for further necessary action.

Name of State/UT/District where Mock Ex is planned in 2017-2018	Type of Mock Exercise (Disaster wise)	Proposed Month	Remarks

Yours faithfully,

(Signature)
 11/4/17
 (Dhirendra Singh Sindhu)
 Jt. Advisor (Ops Division)

Copy to:

Relief Commissioners of States / UTs

Government of India
NATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
"NDMA Bhawan", A-1, Safdarjung Enclave,
New Delhi -110029
Tel No: 26701267

No.02/112/01 (SOP/Ops/2018)

Dated: 07 June 2018

To

All Chief Secretaries of States
All Administrators of UTs

Subject: FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO STATES AND UTs FOR CONDUCT OF MOCK EXERCISES

1. Mock Exercises (ME) help in evaluating administrative response to disasters by improving coordination within various government departments, non-government agencies and communities. It helps in identifying the extent to which the SOPs and Plans are effective and also aid in revising these plans if required. Therefore ME on various types of perceived disasters need to be conducted at regular intervals.
2. Every year NDMA seeks inputs from all States & UTs on the details of the ME that they would like to conduct. These are compiled into an Annual ME Calendar and issued to all stakeholders including ND Army, CAPF, NGO etc. In this manner, NDMA is able to conduct approx 35-40 ME at the District level. NC also conducts ME as part of their Area Familiarization Programme. It will be appreciated that this is inadequate given that there are 36 States & UTs and 683 districts in India.
3. In order to make India disaster resilient and ensuring that all the State Governments & Union Territories are fully trained and organized to handle major disasters effectively, the respective State Governments / UT District authorities will have to take the ownership of this responsibility. The type of ME will be decided by District / State Hq / UT Hq based on their respective vulnerability profile.
4. **Financial Support.** An advance of Rs. One lac per District / State Hq / UT Hq will be provided by NDMA for the number of districts for which the State Govts / UTs forward their consent. Funds will be transferred to the State Govts / UTs as Grant-in-Aid General - 3601 to States, 3602 to UTs with Legislature and through Authority to UTs without Legislature. States / UTs will be required to submit a consolidated Utilization Certificate and Expenditure Statement after completion of MEs. Unspent money for the places where ME could not be conducted will be returned to NDMA.
5. **Procedure**
 - (a) All States / UTs which are willing to conduct the Mock Exercises will forward their willingness to NDMA by 30th June by fax / email, so that the required funds are released to the respective States / UT before the onset of monsoons to enable those vulnerable States/UTs to conduct Mock exercises at the earliest.
 - (b) The consolidated list of Districts / State Hq / UT Hq specifying the period and type of disaster on which ME is proposed to be conducted shall be forwarded to NDMA by respective States / UTs. The Mock exercises will be conducted under the supervision of Chief Secretary at the State / UT level and District Collector / District Magistrate at the district level.
 - (c) States / UTs will be required to submit a consolidated six monthly report (Both in hard and soft copy) on the conduct of Mock Exercise specifying the type and number of Mock Exercises in their States / UTs. They will also be required to share lessons learnt, suggestions and gaps, if any, which require action by NDMA along with photographs.

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