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To:

- 1) The Principal Secretary, Department of Forests, West Bengal
- 2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, West Bengal
- 3) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, CAMPA, West Bengal
- 4) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, RMD, West Bengal
- 5) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, West Bengal
- 6) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, CWLW, West Bengal
- 7) The Principal Secretary, Department of Commerce & Industry, West Bengal
- 8) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and CEO, Deptt of Envtt, West Bengal
- 9) The Managing Director, WBFDC Ltd., West Bengal
- 10) The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Finance, West Bengal
- 11) The Joint Secretary, Finance Department, West Bengal
- 12) Financial Advisor, Forests Deptt. West Bengal
- 13) Dy. Secretary Deptt. Of Forests, West Bengal
- 14) All Chief Conservator of Forests, West Bengal
- 15) All Field Directors, West Bengal
- 16) All Conservator of Forests, West Bengal
- 17) All Deputy Conservator of Forests, West Bengal
- 18) All Divisional Forest Officers, West Bengal
- 19) All Deputy Field Directors, West Bengal
- 20) All General Manager/Divisional Managers, West Bengal Forest Development Corporation Ltd

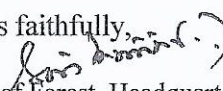
Sub: Minutes of the Meeting of the Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee held on 02.02.2021 at 12.00 noon at Conference Hall 8th Floor, Aranya Bhawan Kolkata.

Sir/Madam,

Enclosed please find herewith a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the "Forests Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee" held on 02.02.2021 at Aranya Bhawan, under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Forests & Chairman of the Forests Produce, Disposal and Price Fixation Committee.

This is for your kind information and needful action.

Yours faithfully,



Chief Conservator of Forest, Headquarters
Member Convener
Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee

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Chief Conservator of Forest, Headquarters
Member Convener
Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee

**Minutes of the Forest produce Disposal & Price Fixation Committee Meeting
held on 02.02.2021 at Conference Hall, 8th Floor, Aranya Bhawan, Kolkata**

The Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee held its meeting at 12 noon on 02.02.2021 at 8th Floor Conference Hall, Aranya Bhawan. The meeting was chaired by Shri Vivek Kumar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Forest Deptt. and the Chairman of the Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee. The meeting was attended by the following Members of the Committee.

1. Principal Secretary, to the Government of West Bengal, Deptt. Of Forests & Chairman, Forest Produce, Disposal & Price Fixation Committee.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, West Bengal, Member
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, RMD, Member
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, Member
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CWLW, Member
6. Managing Director, WBFDC Ltd., Member
7. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Finance
8. Deputy Secretary, Forests
9. Jt. Secretary, Finance
10. Director, Dept. of Commerce, Industry
11. FA, Forest Deptt.
12. Chief Conservator of Forests HQ - Member Convenor

The agenda items, as listed, were discussed in light of the corresponding agenda notes for the meeting, circulated before hand and the following decisions were taken thereon:

Agenda 1: Requirement of timber by WBFDC ltd.

During 2019-20, WBFDC Ltd. was allotted 755 m³ of timber out of which 269.212 m³ of round timber was lifted by WBFDC Ltd. Balance timber could not be lifted because of non-availability of orders, the lock down situation arising out of Covid 19, which resulted in closure of joinery units and the consequent decrease in demand. Actual status of timber lifting and requirement for 2020-21, which was approved by the committee, is given in Table 1 below:

Sl.No.	Species	Allotment during 2019-20			FY 2020-21	
		Requirement	Allotment	Lifting	Requirement	Allotment
1.	Sal		250	119.736	290	250
2.	Teak		200	53.738	270	270
3.	Jarul		90	62.667	110	110
4.	Gamar		60	0	60	60
5.	Pacasaj		10	0	0	10
6.	Panisaj		10	0	0	10
7.	Akashmoni		45	29.453	75	75
8.	Sissoo		70	3.618	60	60
9.	Lampatey		10	0	0	10
10.	Dhupi		10	0	0	10
	TOTAL		755	269.212	865	865

For the year 2020-21 as required by WBFDC Ltd., 865 m³ timber comprising species and quantities as listed above, was approved for allotment, for use in various joinery and carpentry

units of WBFDC Ltd. The validity of the said allotment, including the lifting period, was approved by the Committee up to 31st October, 2021.

Agenda 2 Fixing the Rates for supplying timber to WBFDC Ltd.

Forest Produce Disposal and Price Fixation Committee, has allowed the proposed price for 2020-21, as in Table 2 below, with respect to round timber of various species to be allotted to WBFDC Ltd., for running their carpentry and joinery workshops. The rates were approved by the Committee for the forthcoming year up to 31.12.2021.

Table 2: Rates for supplying timber to WBFDC Ltd.

Sl.No.	Species	Class	Approved Rates/m ³ in 2019-20 (Rs.)	Approved Rates/m ³ in 2020-21(Rs.)
1.	Sal	Up to 60 cm girth	11000	11000
		Between 61-90 cm girth	18500	18500
		Between 91-120 cm girth	26000	26000
		Between 121-150 cm girth	35000	35000
		Above 150 cm girth	41000	41000
2.	Teak	Up to 60 cm girth	22500	22500
		Between 61-90 cm girth	32000	32000
		Between 91-120 cm girth	44000	44000
		Between 121-150 cm girth	52000	52000
		Above 150 cm girth	74500	74500
3.	Jarul	Up to 60 cm girth	5000	5000
		Between 61-90 cm girth	10500	10500
		Between 91-120 cm girth	17000	17000
		Between 121-150 cm girth	18000	18000
		Above 150 cm girth	25000	25000
4.	Akashmoni	Up to 60 cm girth	12000	12000
		Between 61-90 cm girth	16500	16500
		Between 91-120 cm girth	21000	21000
		Between 121-150 cm girth	24000	24000
		Above 150 cm girth		
5.	Eucalyptus	Up to 60 cm girth	5500	5500
		Between 61-90 cm girth	8500	8500
		Between 91-120 cm girth	10500	10500
		Between 121-150 cm girth	14000	14000
		Above 150 cm girth	15000	15000
6	Panisaj	Average of all girth classes	17000	17000
7	Pakasaj		16000	16000
8	Champ		16000	16000
9	Gamar		20000	20000
10	Chikrasi		15000	15000
11	Mandane		11000	11000
12	Sidha		12000	12000
13	Chlauni		13000	13000
14	Sirish		10000	10000
15	Kadam		6000	6000
16	Maina		5000	5000

Agenda 3: Finalisation of the rates for supply of mining props and cogging sleepers to the coal companies:

PCCF&HoFF, vide his Office Order No. 06-MO/MKT/2018 dated 10.08.2018, had constituted a committee for the finalisation of the rates for supply of mining props and cogging sleepers to the coal companies. After detailed discussion on the rate at which the mining props and cogging sleepers to be supplied to the coal companies recommended by said the Committee, the rates proposed by Wbfdcl were agreed upon up to 31.12. 2021.

Table 3: Rates for supply of mining props and cogging sleepers to coal companies:

Girth (Cm)	DIA (Cm)	Length (Ft)	Approved Rates for 2019-20 (Fig. in Rs.)	Approved Rates for 2020-21 (Fig.in Rs.)
A. POLES				
31-40	5	10'	292	318
		12'	388	423
		14'	419	457
		16'	512	558
41-50	6	10'	441	481
		12'	589	642
		14'	765	884
		16'	807	880
		18'	1107	1207
51-60	7	10'	604	658
		12'	765	834
		14'	886	966
		16'	1073	1170
		18'	1454	1585
		20'	1634	1781
61-70	8	10'	1134	1236
		12'	1630	1777
		14'	1694	1846
		16'	1771	1930
		18'	2197	2395
		20'	2299	2506
		22'	2336	2546
B. COGGING SLEEPERS				
4"x4"		4'	102	111
5"x4"		4'	107	117
5"x5"		4'	115	125
5"x5"		5'	155	169

Agenda 4: Miscellaneous:

- a. The committee members approved the continuance of the same rates as per schedule of rates 2017-19 for the rate at which the timber will be supplied from Depots. The Committee approved the following rate for the period up to 31.12.2021.

Table 4. Rates for supply of Timber (from Depots) in Rs per cum

Sl.No	Class	Mid Girth (Under bark) Cm	Approved rate for 2019-20 (Rs.)	Approved rate for 2020-21 (Rs.)
1	Special Class	181 cm and above	23000	23000
		121 cm to 180 cm	20000	20000
		76 cm to 120 cm	16000	16000
		61 cm to 75 cm	13000	13000
2	A Class	181 cm and above	18000	18000
		121 cm to 180 cm	15500	15500
		76 cm to 120 cm	12000	12000
		61 cm to 75 cm	10000	10000
3	B Class	181 cm and above	16000	16000
		121 cm to 180 cm	12000	12000
		76 cm to 120 cm	10000	10000
		61 cm to 75 cm	7700	7700
4	C Class	181 cm and above	11000	11000
		121 cm to 180 cm	9000	9000
		76 cm to 120 cm	7000	7000
		61 cm to 75 cm	5500	5500
5	D class	181 cm and above	8000	8000
		121 cm to 180 cm	6000	6000
		76 cm to 120 cm	4500	4500
		61 cm to 75 cm	3200	3200
6	E class	181 cm and above	4500	4500
		121 cm to 180 cm	3500	3500
		76 cm to 120 cm	2700	2700
		61 cm to 75 cm	2200	2200

- b. In addition, the committee members approved the continuance of the same rates as per schedule of rates 2017-19 for the rate at which the Poles, Firewood, NTFP and Bamboos would be supplied from Depots. The Committee approved the following rates as in Table 5, 6, 7 and 8 for the period up to 31.12.2021.

Table 5. Poles and Posts (from Depots), Rae (Rs.) Per Piece

Name	Length	Girth at Thick Buttend						
		21 cm to 30 cm	31 cm to 40 cm	41 cm to 50 cm	51 cm to 60 cm	61 cm to 70 cm	71 cm to 80 cm	80 cm to 90 cm
Teak & Other Special Class	Up to 3m	200	350	600	500	-	-	-
	3m to 5m	350	550	850	1050	-	-	-
	5m to 8m	800	1300	1750	2500	-	-	-
	Above 8m	1500	2500	3500	4500	-	-	-
Sal	Up to 3m	150	200	300	400	550	-	-
	3m to 5m	250	350	600	450	700	800	850
	5m to 8m	300	350	700	750	750	850	1400
	Above 8m	450	550	700	1300	2300	2600	3000
Eucalyptus	Up to 3m	70	140	220	300	400	-	-
	3m to 5m	100	200	250	350	425	-	-
	5m to 8m	140	230	280	400	475	-	-
	Above 8m	170	280	320	450	500	-	-
Dhupi	Up to 3m	60	75	110	120	130	150	-
	3m to 5m	65	100	140	160	165	175	-
	5m to 8m	90	115	165	175	190	220	-
	Above 8m	110	120	180	190	230	285	-
Akashmoni & Jhau (Casurina)	Up to 3m	100	130	200	325	-	-	-
	3m to 5m	120	150	230	350	450	-	-
	5m to 8m	150	180	300	450	550	-	-
	Above 8m	175	215	350	550	600	-	-
Other	Up to 3m	100	150	170	200	260	-	-
	3m to 5m	130	300	320	350	460	480	500
	5m to 8m	250	350	380	410	500	850	1000
	Above 8m	300	550	1100	1400	1450	1600	1800

Table.6. Firewood (From Depots) Rate (Rs.) per Cubic Metre

Sl. No.	Spp.	Rate
1	Sal	900.00
2	Teak	900.00
3	Akashamani	700.00
4	Eucalyptus	600.00
5	Other hard wood species in North Bengal (Oak, Chestnut, Sissoo, Phalat, buk, Pipali etc)	800.00
6	Other Softwood Speciese in North Bengal (Semal, Kadam, Pitali, Challa)	400.00
7	Billet from stem (ThekKhandi) Sal, Akashamani & Jhau	3300.00
8	Billet from stem (ThekKhandi) Eucalyptus and others	2700.00
9	Billet (Upto 20cm girth) from top (Thekjharai) Eucalyptus & others	600.00

Table.7. NTFP

Sl. No.	Produce	Rate			
		Mazdoor load	Cart load	Monthly 1 Mazdoor load daily	Per Piece
1	Dry stick and fallen wood (collected without the use of cutting implements)	25	350	100	-
2	Thatch grass	10	200	-	-
3	Ekra, Khagra seeds	5	75	-	-
4	Planting goicha & other leaves	50	-	-	-
5	Simul cotton (in the pod)	200	-	-	-
6	Broom stick	100	700	-	-
7	Dry Fungus for decoration purpose	400	-	-	-
8	Non edible fruits and pods (for decoration purpose)	300	-	-	-

9	Dry grass inflorescence for decoration	200	-	-	-
10	Mushroom fresh (per Kg.)	150	-	-	-
11	Dry grass inflorescence for decoration	100	-	-	-
12	Citronella slips per 100 slips	-	-	-	40

Other NTFP

Sl No.	Description of Produce	Per 100 Kg. (1. Qtl.)
1	Sal fruits (Seeds)	2200/-
2	Mahua flower	1320/-
3	Kaju fruits	6600/-
4	Other seeds	1000/-

Table.8. Bamboos (From Depots)

Sl. No.	Species	Rate (each)
1	Gouri Bhalki (Barbans)	120.00
2	Jowa	70.00
3	Basin or Basini	50.00
4	Baul (lathi Bans)	25.00
5	Boro or bum bans	70.00
6	Makla, mala or Mahl Bans	90.00
7	Choya or Kakwa bans	50.00
8	Jaokha bans and bambusa	30.00
9	Solid or lathi bans, mali, dukoor bans and tama thokray bans	20.00
10	Pheling and Bhalu bans	13.00
11	Malinggope and other small bamboo	10.00

c. Price of Nursery Seedlings:

The Committee, after detailed discussion approved the rate for nursery seedlings as per the Table 9 below. The Committee unanimously decided to remove fruit seedlings, coconut and arecanut from the list approved in 2017-18 since these species are not sold by Forest Directorate anymore. The rates so approved will be effective up to 31.10.2021.

Table.9. Nursery Seedling (Price per seedling in Rs.)

Sl No.	Items	One year old	Two years old
1	Seedling in Poly-pots (Forestry spp. Like Eucalyptus, Akshmoni, Neem, Sal, Peal)	10	20
2	Seedling in Poly-pots (Timber sp. Like Mahogany, Champ, Gamar, Sisso, Teak etc.)	15	25
3	Seedling in Poly-pots (fruit spp. Seed origin)	15	35

d. Price for Stone Boulder, Gravel, Shingels and sand Boulder for North Bengal:

Table.10. Stone Boulder, Gravel, Shingels and sand Boulder for North Bengal (Rate per cubic metre in Rs.)

Other Forest Produce	Rate / Cubic (Rs.)	Approved rate for 2019-20	Approved rate for 2020-21
1	Stone Boulder, Gravel, Shingels and sand Boulder for North Bengal	50.00	70.00

It was noted that the last revision of this rate was done in 2017-18 and the same rate, i.e.Rs.50 per cubic metre continues at present and it is valid uptill 31st March 2021. Considering the fact that the main demand for this material comes not from members of the general public but from contractors of Government Departments/Works and in view of the fact that these materials are forest produce, the committee approved the rates for Stone Boulder, Gravel, Shingels and Sand Boulder for North Bengal as per the Table 10 above effective from 16.9.2021, i.e. after the monsoon season. The rate so fixed will be excluding truck entry fees which are mandatory for entering national parks and sanctuaries, TP fees and other applicable taxes.

The meeting ended with thanks to Chair and all members.



(Vivek Kumar, IAS)
Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Forests &
Chairman, Forest Produce Disposal
and Price Fixation Committee.