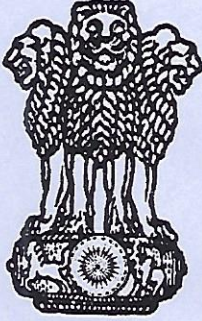


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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**

**Department of Forests**

**Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A**

**Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700106**

**NOTIFICATION**

No. 1870-For/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014

Dated Kolkata, the 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2022

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 41, 42 and 76 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the Governor is pleased hereby to make, with immediate effect, the following amendments in the West Bengal Forest-Produce Transit Rules, 2017, issued under this Department Notification No. 875/FR/O/FP/6M-11/2014, dated 31.05.2019 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules) namely :-

*Amendments*

In the said rules, in rule 3, -

(1) For sub-rule (1), substitute the following sub-rule :-

"(1) No forest produce shall be moved into, from or within the State of West Bengal except under the cover of a Transit Pass, either in physical or electronic form, as the case may be, issued in physical form or through online National Transit Pass System by an officer of the Forest Directorate, not below the rank of Deputy Ranger, duly authorised by the Divisional Forest Officer to issue the same, and in accordance with the conditions of such transit pass.";

(2) For sub-rule (5), substitute the following sub-rule :-

"(5) The transit pass, either in physical or electronic form, as the case may be, must accompany the forest produce during transport and has to be produced by the person possessing or in charge of such forest produce, on demand, by any forest officer or police officer."

By order of the Governor,

ASITA MISHRA

*Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal*