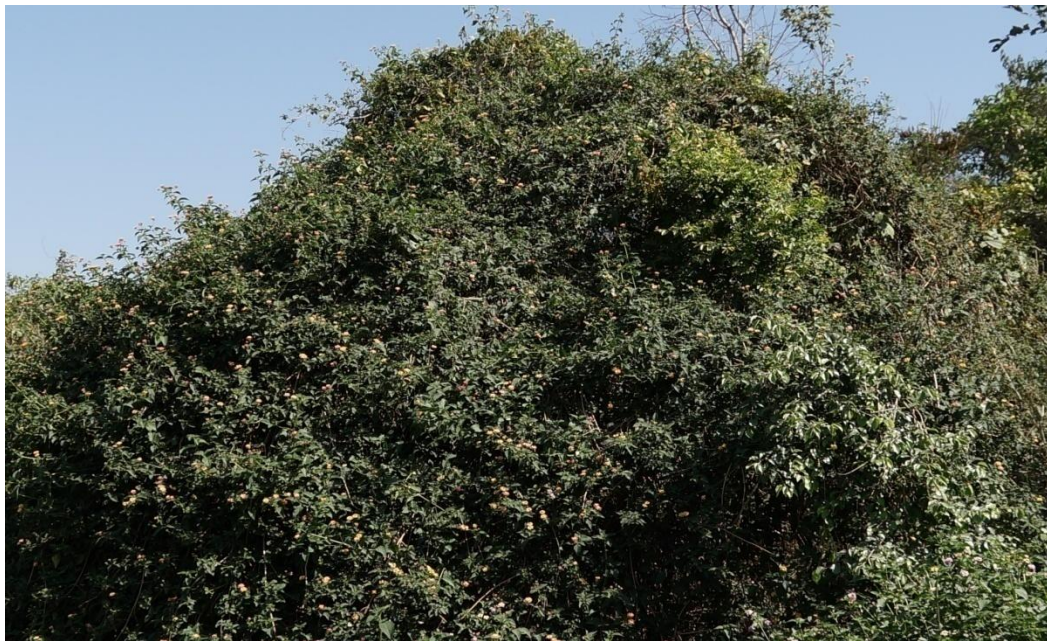


**FIRST SIX MONTHLY REPORT OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE
CONSTITUTED BY HON'BLE SUPREME COURT
VOLUME-2 ANNEXURES**



VERY HEAVILY INFESTED LANTANA AREAS



**RELATING TO INTERLOCUTORY
APPLICATION NO 3840 OF 2014
IN WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 202 OF 1995
(UNDER ARTICLE 32 OF
THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA)
15 AUGUST 2018**

ABOUT 10 ANNEXURES

THESE ANNEXURES INCLUDE MOSTLY TABULAR FORMATS DEVELOPED BY COLLECTING AND COLLATING FACTUAL DATA AND INFORMATION IN RELATION TO RELEVANT STIPULATIONS IN HON'BLE SUPREME COURT ORDER DATED 18th FEBRUARY 2018, INCLUDING DATA AND STATISTICS AS VERIFIED BY THE MONITORING COMMITTEE DURING SITE INSPECTIONS OF FORESTS IN THREE SELECTED FOREST RANGES.

THESE ANNEXURES FORM SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION TO THE MAIN REPORT IN VOLUME 1.

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ANNEXURE 1.1

TERMS OF REFERENCE – HON’BLE SUPREME COURT

ORDER OF 16 FEBRUARY 2018

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATION NO. 3840 OF 2014

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IN

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 202 OF 1995

IN RE:

T.N. GODAVARMAN THIRUMULKPAD

.... PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

... RESPONDENT(S)

IN RE:

STATE OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

.... APPLICANT (S)

VERSUS

SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF
ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS

... RESPONDENT(S)

ORDER

Deepak Gupta J.

1. By means of this application the State of Himachal Pradesh has prayed that it may be permitted to carry out silviculture felling including thinning and other cultural operations in

accordance with the Working Plan approved by the Government of India up to an elevation of 1500 metres above Mean Sea Level (MSL) in Chil Pine, Khair and broad-leaved forests only.

2. On 12.12.1996, this Court issued directions to a large number of States. The relevant directions with regard to the State of Himachal Pradesh read as follows:

“1. There will be no felling of trees permitted in any forest, public or private. This ban will not affect felling in any private plantation comprising of trees planted in any area which is not a forest; and which has not been converted from an earlier "forest". This ban will not apply to permits granted to the right holders for their bonafide personal use in Himachal Pradesh.

2. In a 'forest', the State Government may either departmentally or through the State Forest Corporation remove fallen trees or fell and remove diseased or dry standing timber from areas other than those notified under Section 18 or 35 of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 or any other Act banning such felling or removal of trees.

3. For this purpose, the State Government is to constitute an expert committee comprising a representative from MOEF, a representative of the State Government, two private experts of eminence and the MD of the State Forest Corporation (as Member Secretary), who will fix the qualitative and quantitative norms for the felling of fallen trees and diseased and standing timber. The State shall ensure that the trees so felled and removed are in accordance with these norms.

4. Felling of trees in any forest or any clearance of forest land in execution of projects shall be in strict conformity with the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and

any other laws applying thereto. Moreover, any trees so felled, and the disposal of such trees shall be done exclusively by the State Forest Corporation and no private agency is to be involved in any aspect thereof.”

3. Despite such order having been passed, the amicus curiae on 14.02.2000 submitted before this Court that there were reports in the press that the State of Himachal Pradesh had passed some orders lifting the ban on felling of trees. This Court, thereafter, issued notice to the State of Himachal Pradesh and also made it clear that if any such orders have been passed, the operation of the same were stayed and no felling of trees be done. In the affidavit filed by the State of Himachal Pradesh, in response to the order dated 14.02.2000, it was pointed out that the intention of the State was to resume silviculture operations consisting of regeneration, felling and thinning of the trees as per the Working Plan duly approved. The State of Himachal Pradesh also informed this Court that though the State had intended to do silvicultural felling but in actual fact this decision has not been given effect to. It was clearly mentioned that no felling of trees has taken place except of those allowed by this Court specifically. It is also pertinent to mention that the Government of India vide G.O. dated 11.10.2002 suspended the

Working Plan for various States including the State of Himachal Pradesh. The State then approached the Central Empowered Committee (for short ‘the CEC’), which advised the State to approach this Court for modification or vacation of the earlier stay order. This led to the filing of the present application.

4. After this application was filed, this Court directed the CEC to file its report. The CEC, in its report dated 06.07.2017 has made the following recommendations:

- “i) the permission for silvicultural fellings including thinning in the State of Himachal Pradesh be limited to only three working circles of Chil, Sal and Khair occurring below 1500 MSL to encourage regeneration of the forests aimed at achieving mixed species forests with multi layered canopy having more efficient carbon sequestration capability;
- ii) no felling of broad leaved species be permitted in the compartments to be taken up for regeneration fellings of the above three working circles or in the miscellaneous/broad leaved working circle irrespective of the recommendations in the Working Plan;
- iii) 764 ha. of Eucalyptus trees proposed for felling as per Working Plan prescriptions be permitted to be felled and the same area regenerated with native broad leaved species;
- iv) rotation of Sal and Chil to be 120 years and are worked under irregular shelterwood system;
- v) rotation age of Khair be kept at 30 years with minimum dia of 25 cms. at breast height;
- vi) there will be total ban on burning of debris including after seeding or over wood felling in order to encourage natural regeneration of broad leaved species and reduce soil erosion;

- vii) no felling to be undertaken in Ban oak forests and other broad leaved forests other than Sal and Khair;
- viii) planting component in Assisted Natural Regeneration shall include more than 50% seedlings of native broad leaved and multipurpose use species other than that of the principal species;
- ix) the removal of Lantana weed to be an integral component of regeneration felling and the removal of Lantana has to be completed before the felling operations commence, so that the regeneration of the felled area is taken up forthwith;
- x) in Khair working circle a minimum of 50 healthy trees per ha. are identified in advance, at least two years prior to the proposed felling in the compartment and labelled as mother trees or standards and these trees are not permitted to be lopped thereafter;
- xi) the size of the compartment to be taken up for regeneration felling in a given year shall not exceed 20 ha.. If any compartment is more than 20 ha. in area, it can be sub-divided into two or more units so as to avoid creation of large gaps in canopy of forests in a given location;
- xii) the felling operations in the adjoining forest area/compartment of the already felled area/compartment be taken up only after five years of regeneration felling in the given compartment and after ensuring that the regeneration is established in the already cleared forest area;
- xiii) adequate soil and moisture conservation measures are to be undertaken in regeneration area;
- xiv) no green fellings are to be carried out in steep slopes and along streams and nallas as per the standard prescription in the Working Plan code and in the forest areas falling under Protection cum Rehabilitation Working Circle;
- xv) State Government shall prepare three separate comprehensive management plans one each for Chil, Sal and Khair respectively covering the entire forest area falling below 1500 MSL incorporating revised set of prescriptions as detailed in this report as one time exercise and after obtaining approval of MoEF&CC, integrate the same with the Working Plans of

respective forest divisions for operational purposes;
and

xvi) State Government shall submit an undertaking in the form of an Affidavit before the Hon'ble Supreme Court ensuring sufficient budgetary provisions for undertaking regeneration of the felled area in the financial year following the felling year."

5. The report filed by the CEC was considered by this Court on 12.09.2017 when learned counsel appearing for the State of Himachal Pradesh submitted that he would file an affidavit identifying three working circles in different areas of the State. After this affidavit was filed, we realised that circles covered a large area and the State was directed to file an affidavit giving the areas covered by each circle and also the area of each range/beat in the circle. On perusal of the affidavit it was found that each forest circle comprises of a very large area covering more than one district in the State, which would entail felling of large number of trees. Thereafter, on 04.12.2017, the State was directed to identify two or three ranges where the process of silviculture felling may be carried out, the area of each of those ranges, the number of beats in each range and the area of each beat.

6. Affidavit has been filed and in this affidavit it has been pointed out that for felling of Khair (*Acacia Catechu*) trees, Nurpur Forest Range of Nurpur Forest Division (Dharamshala Forest Circle) of District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh has been identified. Khair wood is used commercially in making *katha* and, therefore, the wood of this tree is in great demand. It has been proposed that 80% of trees of 25 cms. diameter and above would be felled and remaining 20% of trees of 25 cms. diameter and above would be retained to act as mother trees. It is also stated that no other broad-leaved tree shall be felled. Details have been given and it is proposed to carry out felling in the year 2018-2019 in an area of 903.14 ha. and an area of 706.30 ha. has been earmarked for silviculture felling for the year 2019-2020.

7. As far as Chil Pine (*Pinus Roxburghii*) trees are concerned, the State of Himachal Pradesh has proposed an area of 49.05 ha. for the year 2018-2019 and an area of 23.95 ha. for the year 2019-2020 for silviculture felling in the Bharari Forest Range of Bilaspur Forest Division (Bilaspur Forest Circle) of Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh. As far as Chil is concerned, it is

proposed that at least 20-25 mother trees per hectare shall be retained.

8. As far as Sal (*Shorea Robusta*) trees are concerned, the range identified is Paonta Forest Range of Paonta Sahib Forest Division (Nahan Forest Circle) of District Sirmour of Himachal Pradesh and an area of 176.01 ha. for the year 2018-2019 and an area of 120.12 ha. for the year 2019-2020 have been earmarked for silviculture felling.

9. This Court, with a view to protect the forests, had totally banned felling of trees. As per the affidavits filed by the State of Himachal Pradesh, some amount of silviculture felling is necessary, because if no felling is done then regeneration of trees is not as fast as it should be and once the mature trees die after reaching their maximum life span, there will be very few young trees to replace the old trees. Felling of trees in India has been banned for more than two decades. We are of the view that on an experimental basis we may permit silviculture felling of trees to a very limited extent and such felling should be monitored very carefully to see whether such silviculture felling actually helps in the regeneration of forests or not. We may also note that the

CEC, in its report, has also permitted felling of trees subject to certain conditions. We may further note that the CEC has recommended that the size of the compartment taken up for regeneration in a given area shall not exceed 20 hectares and we reiterate that the State shall be bound by all the conditions laid down by the CEC including the condition that no compartment of more than 20 hectares shall be felled at one go. In addition to the conditions laid down by the CEC, the following conditions shall be strictly complied with by the State of Himachal Pradesh:

1. The felling should be done directly by the Forest Department or by the Himachal Pradesh State Forest Corporation and the work of felling should not be handed over or given on contract to any private agency;
2. The Forest Department should ensure that videography of each beat where felling is to be done, is done separately at regular intervals to clearly indicate the condition and state of the forest before felling, during felling and after felling;

3. As far as Khair trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 25% of mature Khair trees are retained as mother trees and these should be marked and numbered as trees not to be felled, which should be clearly reflected in the videography. The trees to be felled can be marked by a separate colour. The number, size and girth of the trees should be clearly spelt out;
4. As far as Chil Pine and Sal trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 40 mature trees are retained per hectare and the other conditions will be the same as applicable to Khair trees;
5. In addition to the conditions laid down in the Working Plan and those laid down by the CEC, the State of Himachal Pradesh shall ensure that adequate funds are made available and re-afforestation is done either simultaneously or if it is not possible, immediately after felling is complete in each block of 20 hectares.
6. It should also be ensured that these forest areas are kept free from grazing and are protected;

7. The State should also ensure that sufficient number of healthy saplings are planted so that there is proper regeneration of the forest.
8. This entire programme of experimental silviculture felling shall be done under the supervision and guidance of a two-Member Committee headed by Shri V.P. Mohan, IFS (Retd.), former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Himachal Pradesh. The second member of this Committee shall be nominated by the Vice Chancellor, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh. The second Member shall be a Professor of Silviculture.
10. The Principal Chief Conservator shall be liable to ensure that felling is done strictly in accordance with the orders of this Court. To this limited extent, the orders dated 12.12.1996 and 14.02.2000 are modified as far as the State of Himachal Pradesh is concerned.
11. The Committee should submit its report to this Court every 6 months. The State of Himachal Pradesh shall provide all

facilities to the committee including transport and boarding facilities. The remuneration to be paid to the members of the committee shall be determined when the committee submits its report.

12. Registrar Judicial to send the copy of this order to Shri V.P. Mohan, IFS (Retd.), former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Himachal Pradesh, Sunny Villa, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002 and Dr. Y.S. Parmar, University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh-173203.

13. Accordingly, I.A. is disposed of.

.....**J.**
(Madan B. Lokur)

.....**J.**
(Deepak Gupta)

New Delhi
February 16, 2018

ANNEXURE 1.2

CLARIFICATIONS FROM CEC DATED 8 MARCH 2018

**RECORD OF DISCUSSION/ MEETING HELD ON 8.3.2018
IN THE OFFICE OF CEC BETWEEN MEMBER SECRETARY,
CEC AND V. P. MOHAN, FORMER PCCF, HIMACHAL
PRADESH AND HEAD OF TWO MEMBER COMMITTEE
CONSTITUTED BY HON'BLE SUPREMEM COURTIN IA NO.
3840 OF 2014 IN WP(C) NO. 202 OF 1995**

Record of discussion/meeting held on 8.3.2018 in the office of the CEC between Member Secretary, CEC and Shri V.P. Mohan, former PCCF, Himachal Pradesh and Head of two Member Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA No. 3840 of 2014 in WP (C) No. 202 of 1995

Shri V. P. Mohan, Head of the Two Member Committee appointed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 16.2.2018 in the above mentioned IA had raised doubts on certain recommendations in the Report dated 6.7.2017 of the CEC filed in IA No. 3840 of 2014 in the context of the order dated 16.2.2018 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and desired to hold discussion with the Member Secretary, CEC. After detailed discussion following clarification on issues raised by Shri V.P. Mohan are communicated:

1. On the permissible extent of silvicultural felling approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court

The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 16.2.2018 had approved the proposal of the State of Himachal Pradesh for undertaking felling over an area of 903.4 hectares in Khair, 49.0 hectares in Chil and 176.01 hectares in Sal working circle which has to be executed following the conditions laid down by the CEC including the condition that no compartment of more 20 hectares shall be felled at one go. It is clarified that the unit size of area to be taken up for re-generation felling in a given compartment in a year shall not exceed 20 hectares. If the compartment is more than 20 hectares it can be divided into two or more sub-units so as to avoid creation of large gaps in the forest canopy in a given location. The condition also prescribes that the felling operations in the adjoining forest area/compartment of the already felled area/compartment be taken up only after five years of re-generation/felling in the given compartment and after ensuring that the re-generation is established in the already cleared forest area. During the discussion it has been clarified that the entire block of 903.4 hectares in Khair working circle cannot be taken up for silvicultural felling during 2018-19. The area has to be divided into regeneration blocks of not more than 20 hectares and silvicultural felling operations can be undertaken in one or more than one such block during 2018-19 after leaving the adjoining blocks unfelled. Therefore while preparing the Management Plan the Forest Department of Himachal Pradesh shall keep in mind recommendation Nos.(xi) and (xii) of CEC Report.



2. On the preparation of Management Plans

The Management Plan for the three species that is Khair, Chil and Sal be prepared for the entire Forest Division in which the felling has been approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. However the execution of the plan be limited to the forest areas that have been reported by the State Government vide their affidavit dated 13.12.2017 which proposal has been approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

3. On the retention and advance marking of mother trees in Khair Working Circle

The number of mother trees to be retained in Khair overlapping working circle be limited to 25% of the mother trees of Khair enumerated in the compartment or 50 number of trees per hectare whichever is less. Also the condition of marking of mother trees two years in advance of silvicultural felling may be followed in respect of fellings that will come up in future years. However, during the first year (i.e. 2018-19) of silvicultural operation, keeping in view of the approval of the Hon'ble Supreme Court for commencement of silvi culture felling in the year 2018-19 itself, the provision of marking two years in advance of silvicultural felling may not be insisted upon. This condition of advance marking of mother trees was imposed by the CEC considering the large scale lopping of Khair trees observed during the field visit.

4. On the expiry of currency of Working Plans of Nahan and Paonta Sahib Forest Divisions

In the event of Working Plan for Nahan and Paonta Sahib Forest Division expiring on 31.3.2018, it is agreed that in pursuance of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court pending revision of Working Plan, Management Plan for sal working circle be prepared and got approved from MoEF&CC and further action for silvicultural felling undertaken.


(Amarnatha Shetty)
Member Secretary

Dated: 8th March, 2018

**STATUS OF ACTION TAKEN AND NEXT STEPS FOR COMPLIANCE OF
HON'BLE SUPREME COURT ORDER OF 16th FEBRUARY 2018 INCLUDING CEC DIRECTIONS**

Abbreviations used:

SC 2.2: Page 2, paragraph 2 of Hon'ble Supreme Court order of 16th February 2018 (TOR) ANNEXURE 1.1

CEC 4 ii): Central Empowered Committee Page 4, Recommendation ii) of Hon'ble Supreme Court order of 16th February 2018 (TOR) ANNEXURE 1.1

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1. CITED ORDERS OF HON'BLE SUPREME COURT	
SC 2.2 On 12.12.1996, this Court issued directions to a large number of States.	No felling of trees is being done in the State of Himachal Pradesh, except for those as permitted by Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its interim directions issued on 12-12-96 viz. removal of diseased or dry standing /fallen timber, as also trees granted to right holders for their bonafide personal use.
SC 3.3 In the affidavit filed by the State of Himachal Pradesh, in	An affidavit dated 1st March 2000 was

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<p>response to the order dated 14.02.2000, it was pointed out that the intention of the State was to resume silviculture operations consisting of regeneration, felling and thinning of the trees as per the Working Plan duly approved.</p>	<p>filed by the State of Himachal Pradesh in response to order dated 14th February 2000, reiterating earlier prayer of resumption of silvicultural operations in accordance with the Working Plans approved by Govt of India.</p>
<p>SC 3.3 It is also pertinent to mention that the Government of India vide G.O. dated 11.10.2002 suspended the Working Plan for various States including the State of Himachal Pradesh</p>	<p>Vide order dated 12.12.1996, the Hon'ble Supreme Court suspended felling of trees in all forests except in accordance with the working plans of the State Government, as approved by the Central Government and thereafter vide its order dated 14.02.2000 stayed the implementation of the decision of</p>

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	the State Government till further order. Effectively no silvicultural felling has been done after 12.12.1996.
<p>SC 11.10 The Principal Chief Conservator shall be liable to ensure that felling is done strictly in accordance with the orders of this Court. To this limited extent, the orders dated 12.12.1996 and 14.02.2000 are modified as far as the State of Himachal Pradesh is concerned</p>	<p>The entire programme of experimental silviculture felling is being got executed strictly as per orders dated 16 February 2018 of Hon'ble Supreme Court, in case relating to Interlocutory Application No 3840 of 2014 (Application on behalf of State of Himachal Pradesh for carrying out Silviculture Felling of trees) in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202 of 1995 (under Article 32 of the Constitution of India)</p>

ORDERS OF HON'BLE SUPREME COURT AND DIRECTIONS OF CEC	ACTION TAKEN AND NEXT STEPS
	<p>hereinafter called our Terms of Reference (TOR).</p> <p>Due to interim orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 12.12.96 and 14.02.2000, no felling of green trees even as per the provisions of the approved Working Plans was carried out in the State.</p>
2. BINDING REGULATORY PRE REQUISITES FOR EXPERIMENTAL SILVICULTURAL FELLING	
<p>SC 1.1 By means of this application the State of Himachal Pradesh has prayed that it may be permitted to carry out silviculture felling including thinning and other cultural operations in accordance with the Working Plan approved by the Government of India up to an elevation of 1500 metres above Mean Sea Level (MSL) in Chil Pine, Khair and broad-leaved forests only.</p>	<p>The Interlocutory Application NO 3840 of 2014 has been examined. The on-going programme of Experimental Silvicultural Felling is being implemented strictly as per TOR.</p>

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CEC 4(i) the permission for silvicultural fellings including thinning in the State of Himachal Pradesh be limited to only three working circles of Chil, Sal and Khair occurring below 1500 MSL to encourage regeneration of the forests aimed at achieving mixed species forests with multi layered canopy having more efficient carbon sequestration capability	The on-going programme of Experimental Silvicultural Felling is being implemented strictly as per TOR.
CEC 4 ii) no felling of broad leaved species be permitted in the compartments to be taken up for regeneration fellings of the above three working circles or in the miscellaneous/ broad leaved working circle irrespective of the recommendations in the Working Plan;	100 % enumerations of all broad leaved species have been got done in 19 approved Regeneration plots for 2018-19 and felling of broad leaved species is totally prohibited as laid down by CEC twice in recommendations CEC 4 ii) and CEC 5 vii) This stipulation will be complied with strictly and eventually monitored
CEC 5 vii) no felling to be undertaken in Ban oak forests and other broad leaved forests other than Sal and Khair;	

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	through a Standard Operating Procedure.
CEC 5 xi) the size of the compartment to be taken up for regeneration felling in a given year shall not exceed 20 ha. If any compartment is more than 20 ha. in area, it can be sub-divided into two or more units so as to avoid creation of large gaps in canopy of forests in a given location;	The Monitoring Committee has approved only those Regeneration plots which have been identified strictly in conformity with this pre condition and (Annexure 2.2) forms an abstract of 31 Regeneration plots approved by us. (19 plots for working in 2018-19 and 12 plots with Lantana to be worked in 2019-20.
CEC 5 xii) the felling operations in the adjoining forest area/compartment of the already felled area/ compartment be taken up only after five years of regeneration felling in the given compartment and after ensuring that the regeneration is established	This stipulation is not applicable as fellings are being permitted for the first time after the ban was imposed on 12.12.1996. However, this

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in the already cleared forest area	stipulation will be complied in future.
CEC 5 xiv) no green fellings are to be carried out in steep slopes and along streams and nallas as per the standard prescription in the Working Plan code and in the forest areas falling under Protection cum Rehabilitation Working Circle;	Our Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) clearly prohibit such green fellings and Committee will verify the compliance of this requirement during post markings inspections of each Regeneration plot. None of the areas approved by us falls under Protection cum Rehabilitation Working Circle.
CEC 5 xv) State Government shall prepare three separate comprehensive management plans one each for Chil, Sal and Khair respectively covering the entire forest area falling below 1500 MSL incorporating revised set of prescriptions as detailed in this report as one time	HPFD has already completed the process of making 3 Management Plans as initially stipulated in TOR .After-obtaining approval of MOEF&CC, these plans will be

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exercise and after obtaining approval of MoEF&CC, integrate the same with the Working Plans of respective forest divisions for operational purposes	integrated with the Working Plans of respective forest divisions for operational purposes.
SC 8.9 We are of the view that on an experimental basis we may permit silviculture felling of trees to a very limited extent and such felling <i>should be monitored very carefully</i> to see whether such silviculture felling actually helps in the regeneration of forests or not.	The Monitoring Committee has ensured that all safeguards are in place and will closely monitor its implementation. After fellings are over, we will assess status of regeneration of forests.
SC 8.9 We may also note that the CEC, in its report, has also permitted felling of trees subject to certain conditions. We may further note that the CEC has recommended that the size of the compartment taken up for regeneration in a given area shall not exceed 20 hectares and we reiterate that the <u>State shall be bound by all the conditions laid down by the CEC including the condition that</u>	31 Regeneration plots have been approved during 2018-19. In Nurpur Forest Range, the total area of Compartment C-1 Punder being 20.23 ha. , it was not advisable to restrict it to 20 ha. It is shown as Regeneration

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<p><u>no compartment of more than 20 hectares shall be felled at one go.</u></p> <p><u>In addition to the conditions laid down by the CEC, the following conditions shall be strictly complied with by the State of Himachal Pradesh:</u></p>	<p>plot no N/2 in (Annexure 2.2). All other plots are less than 20 ha.</p>
<p>SC 9.1 The felling should be done directly by the Forest Department or by the Himachal Pradesh State Forest Corporation and the work of felling should not be handed over or given on contract to any private agency</p>	<p>The work of felling operations will be undertaken <u>only</u> by the H.P. State Forest Development Corporation Ltd.</p>
<p>SC 9.2 The Forest Department should ensure that Videography of each beat where felling is to be done, is done separately at regular intervals to clearly indicate the condition and state of the forest before felling, during felling and after felling.</p>	<p>Videography of each Regeneration plot before felling has been done and being included with our First Six Monthly Report as follows:</p> <p>DVD 1: Inspections of Bharari and Paonta Forest Range</p> <p>DVD 2: Inspections of Nurpur Forest</p>

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	Range Videography during felling and after felling has been planned already.
SC 11.8 This entire programme of experimental silviculture felling shall be done under the supervision and guidance of a two-Member Committee headed by Shri V.P. Mohan, IFS (Retd.), former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Himachal Pradesh. The second member of this Committee shall be nominated by the Vice Chancellor, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh. The second Member shall be a Professor of Silviculture	Dr D.R. Bhardwaj, Professor, Department of Silviculture and Agro forestry, was nominated as a second Member, on 24 February 2018 by Vice Chancellor, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan. We have supervised and rendered guidance all through as per our mandate in close collaboration with HPFD.
SC 11.11 The Committee should submit its report to this Court every 6 months. The State of Himachal Pradesh shall provide all	The Monitoring Committee has submitted its First Six Monthly Report

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<p>facilities to the committee including transport and boarding facilities.</p> <p>The remuneration to be paid to the members of the committee shall be determined when the committee submits its report.</p>	<p>relating to our preparatory work from 16th February to 15th August 2018.</p> <p>The State of Himachal Pradesh and HPFD have provided all facilities to the Committee.</p>
<p>SC 12.12 Registrar Judicial to send the copy of this order to Shri V.P.Mohan, IFS (Retd.), former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,Himachal Pradesh, Sunny Villa, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002 and Dr. Y.S. Parmar, University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh-173203.</p>	<p>Registrar Judicial had sent the copy of the Order on 23rd February 2018 to V.P. Mohan and likewise to Dr. Y.S. Parmar, University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh-173230.</p>
3. SPECIES SPECIFIC STIPULATIONS; KHAIR, CHIL, SAL AND EUCALYPTUS 3.1 KHAIR	
<p>SC 7.6 Affidavit has been filed and in this affidavit it has been pointed out that for felling of Khair (<i>Acacia catechu</i>) trees, Nurpur Forest Range of Nurpur Forest Division (Dharamshala Forest Circle)</p>	<p>HPFD in its Affidavit dated 13 December 2017, proposed that at least 20% of trees of 25 cms. diameter and</p>

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<p>of District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh has been identified. Khair wood is used commercially in making <i>katha</i> and, <u>therefore, the wood of this tree is in great demand</u>. It has been proposed that 80% of trees of 25 cms. diameter and above would be felled and remaining 20% of trees of 25 cms. diameter and above would be retained to act as mother trees. It is also stated that no other broad-leaved tree shall be felled. Details have been given and it is proposed to carry out felling in the year 2018-2019 in an area of 903.14 ha. and an area of 706.30 ha. has been earmarked for silviculture felling for the year 2019-2020.</p>	<p>above will be retained as mother trees per hectare. However, Hon'ble Supreme Court/ CEC have ordered that trees to be retained should be 25 % of the enumerated trees or 50 trees per hectare whichever less is. Our Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) specify very clearly that no broad-leaved tree is to be marked for felling.</p>
<p>CEC 4 v) rotation age of Khair be kept at 30 years with minimum dia of 25 cms. at breast height;</p>	<p>Being complied and stipulated in Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) under Paragraph 1.2.</p>
<p>CEC 5. x) in Khair working circle a minimum of 50 healthy trees per ha. are identified in advance, at least two years prior to the proposed</p>	<p>CEC has already clarified in (Annexure 1.2) that this stipulation is</p>

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felling in the compartment and labeled as mother trees or standards and these trees are not permitted to be lopped thereafter;	not applicable for 2018-19 markings in Khair forests.
<p>SC 10.3 As far as Khair trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least <u>25%</u> of mature Khair trees are retained as mother trees and these should be marked and numbered as trees not to be felled, which should be clearly reflected in the videography. The trees to be felled can be marked by a separate colour. The number, size and girth of the trees should be clearly spelt out</p>	<p>Our Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) specify very clearly that in Khair forests, number of mother trees to be retained should be 25 % of the enumerated trees or 50 trees per hectare whichever is less. Mother trees duly numbered will have white bands and during videography, it will be recorded clearly. The size and girth are given in the enumeration results.</p>
3.2 SAL	
<p>SC 8.8 As far as Sal (<i>Shorea robusta</i>) trees are concerned, the range identified is Paonta Forest Range of Paonta Sahib Forest Division</p>	<p>Has been complied and four Regeneration plots P/1 2018-19 to</p>

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(Nahan Forest Circle) of District Sirmour of Himachal Pradesh and an area of 176.01 ha. for the year 2018-2019 and an area of 120.12 ha. for the year 2019-2020 have been earmarked for silviculture felling.	P/4 2018-19 have been approved as shown in(Annexure 2.2 from the Compartments approved for felling under Experimental Silviculture Felling during 2018-19.
SC 10.4 As far as Chil Pine and Sal trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 40 mature trees are retained per hectare and the other conditions will be the same as applicable to Khair trees;	Our Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) specify very clearly for retention of 40 mature trees per hectare and Committee will verify compliance of this stipulation while approving markings.
CEC 4 iv) rotation of Sal and Chil to be 120 years and are worked under irregular shelter wood system	Being complied and stipulated in Guidelines for Markings (Annexure 2.4) under Paragraph 1.2
3.3 CHIL (CHIRPINE)	
SC 7.7 As far as Chil Pine (<i>Pinus roxburghii</i>) trees are concerned, the	HPFD in its Affidavit dated 13 th

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State of Himachal Pradesh has proposed an area of 49.05 ha. for the year 2018-2019 and an area of 23.95 ha. for the year 2019-2020 for silviculture felling in the Bharari Forest Range of Bilaspur Forest Division (Bilaspur Forest Circle) of Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh. As far as Chil is concerned, it is proposed that at least 20-25 mother trees per hectare shall be retained.	December 2017, proposed that at least 20-25 mother trees per hectare shall be retained in Chil forests.
SC 10.4 As far as Chil Pine and Sal trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 40 mature trees are retained per hectare and the other conditions will be the same as applicable to Khair trees;	Our Guidelines for Markings Annexure 2.4 specify very clearly that 40 mature are retained per hectare in Chil Pine and Sal forests. We will monitor compliance while approving markings in end August 2018
CEC 4 iv) rotation of Sal and Chil to be 120 years and are worked under irregular shelter wood system	Being complied.
3.4 EUCALYPTUS	
CEC 4 iii) 764 ha. of Eucalyptus trees proposed for felling as per	The Monitoring Committee in

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Working Plan prescriptions be permitted to be felled and the same area regenerated with native broadleaved species;	consultation with HPFD has now recommended that on Experimental basis, 50 ha. of Eucalyptus (10 ha. in Paonta Forest Division, and 40 ha. in Nahan Forest Division) may be approved for felling during 2018-19. Felling of the Eucalyptus is to be completed before 15th January 2019.
4 ADEQUATE BUDGETARY PROVISION FOR REAFFORESTATION	
CEC 5 xvi) State Government shall submit an undertaking in the form of an Affidavit before the Hon'ble Supreme Court ensuring sufficient budgetary provisions for undertaking regeneration of the felled area in the financial year following the felling year."	As per directions of Monitoring Committee, all field operations are being carried out like enumerations and markings in approved
SC 10.5 In addition to the conditions laid down in the Working Plan and those laid down by the CEC, the State of Himachal Pradesh shall ensure that adequate funds are made available and re-	Regeneration plots. An assurance has been given by HPFD that adequate budgetary provisions will be made for

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<p>afforestation is done either simultaneously or if it is not possible, immediately after felling is complete in each block of 20 hectares</p>	<p>undertaking regeneration of felled areas.</p> <p>It may also be pointed out that on our request, approval from AG (A & E) Himachal Pradesh has been conveyed to Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) on 16th July 2018 for opening of a new budget head as follows;</p> <p>2406- Forestry and Wild Life</p> <p>01- Forestry</p> <p>102- Social and Farm Forestry</p> <p>39-Experimental Silviculture</p> <p>Felling.</p>
5. ENSURING ENABLING CONDITIONS FOR REGENERATION	
<p>CEC 4 vi) there will be total ban on burning of debris including after</p>	<p>Instructions have already been given.</p>

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seeding or over wood felling in order to encourage natural regeneration of broad leaved species and reduce soil erosion	Compliance will be monitored by Committee after felling operations are over.
CEC 5viii) planting component in Assisted Natural Regeneration shall include more than 50% seedlings of native broad leaved and multipurpose use species other than that of the principal species;	Compliance will be monitored during planting. The Monitoring Committee is monitoring nursery stocks to ensure compliance of this stipulation.
CEC 5 ix) the removal of Lantana weed to be an integral component of regeneration felling and the removal of Lantana has to be completed before the felling operations commence, so that the regeneration of the felled area is taken up forthwith	12 Regeneration Plots heavily infested with Lantana are being cleared effectively before October 2018. Compliance will be monitored by the Committee.
CEC 5xiii) adequate soil and moisture conservation measures are to be undertaken in regeneration area	Effective interventions for in-situ water conservation have been made compulsory.

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SC 9.6 It should also be ensured that these forest areas are kept free from grazing and are protected;	Effective closure of Regeneration plots with 5 strand barbed wire and RCC pole fence has been made compulsory.
SC 9.7 The State should also ensure that sufficient numbers of healthy saplings are planted so that there is proper regeneration of the forest.	The Committee is monitoring nursery stocks. It may be underlined that during monsoon planting season in 2019, it is being ensured that only tall nursery plants of broad-leaved species raised in poly bags of 15x9 inches having minimum 4 feet height will be used for supplementing natural regeneration.

ANNEXURE-1.4**CHRONOLOGY OF PREPARATORY MEETINGS AND FIELD VISITS**

DATE	ACTIVITY
FEBRUARY 2018 -PREPARATORY MEETINGS	
19	Orders dated 16 February 2018 Of Hon'ble Supreme Court delivered. by PCCF HP
20	First meeting with Additional Chief Secretary (Forests).
MARCH 2018- MEETINGS AT SHIMLA/OUTSTATION AND FIELD VISIT	
1	First Consultative Meeting with HPFD.
7	Journey: Shimla- New Delhi -By road AN: Meeting with Dr Nagin Nanda, Member Technical, NGT, New Delhi.
8	FN: Meeting with Shri Sidhanta Dass, I.F.S., Director General Forests, MOEF&CC, New Delhi. Meeting with Amarnatha Shetty, Member Secretary, CEC, New Delhi. A.N: Formal meeting with Shri Ram Kumar Choubey,Registrar, Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, New Delhi.
9	Journey: New Delhi -Shimla By road.

12	Second Consultative Meeting with HPFD to finalize Criteria for selection of Regeneration Plots for carrying out Experimental Silvicultural Fellings.
13	Meeting in Aryabhata Geo-informatics and Space Application Centre, Shimla (AGiSAC).
15	Hon'ble Forest Minister, HP. briefed about the scope of work of Monitoring Committee and he directed the officers of HPFD to provide all possible assistance to the Committee.
21	Courtesy call on His Excellency, Governor HP, to apprise him about the work of Monitoring Committee.
22	Journey Shimla to Nurpur. Evaluated Data Sheets for 24 Regeneration Plots and finalized the plan for field visits.
23	Inspections of 3 Regeneration Plots and categorization of 24 Plots in three categories.
24	Journey Nurpur to Shimla.
30	Journey Shimla to Chandigarh. Met PCCF Punjab and PCCF Haryana to plan field visits to Khair forests of two States.
31	Journey Chandigarh to Shimla.
APRIL 2018	
3	Third Consultative Meeting with HPFD to share findings from the first field

	visit to Nurpur and how 24 Regeneration Plots have been categorized in Green and Red Categories.
6	Journey Shimla to Bilaspur Reviewed planning for inspection and proceeded to Berthin
7	F.N: Inspection of Forest Nursery at Jhandutta Ispection of 3 Regeneration Plots Night stay at Berthin
8	Berthin to Shimla
9	Meeting with Shri Vineet Chawdary, IAS, Chief Secretary HP to review progress of Experimental Silvicultural Felling in HP
15	Shimla-Pinjore-Inspected Lalgah, a permanent nursery of Haryana Forest Department and plantation areas. A.N: Inspected Panjab Forest Department plantations and nursery. Night halt- Chandigarh.
16	Chandigarh-Nahan-Paonta-Rajban- Held briefing meeting in AN for planning field inspections.Inspected two Regeneration plots and approved only one plot.
17	Field inspections of 3 Regeneration plots, and issued Guidelines for next steps.

18	Rajban to Shimla- Inspected nursery enroute at Tokion.
19	Applicability of drone mapping reviewed in a Presentation made by the firm already working for Shimla forests. It was decided that mapping through drone was not feasible for Nurpur forest areas.
21	Shimla to Nauni-Solan and back. Made Presentation on the Experimental Silvicultural Fellings in HP in Dr Y.S.Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni.
23	Shimla to Nurpur Evaluated Data Sheets for 24 Regeneration Plots and finalized the plan for field visits.
24	Inspections of Regeneration Plots and re categorization of 24 Plots in two categories
25	Inspections of Regeneration Plots
26	Journey Nurpur to Shimla.
28	Shimla to Chail and back. Reviewed course content of Forest Guards on enumerations and other field activities.
MAY 2018	
2	Met Hon'ble Chief Minister HP to apprise him about the Experimental Silvicultural Fellings in HP. Had second meeting with Chief Secretary to update him on findings of field

	inspections.
3	Fourth Consultative Meeting with HPFD to finalize Enumeration Guidelines to carry out 100 % Enumerations in approved Regeneration Plots for carrying out Experimental Silvicultural Fellings
10	Met Hon'ble Forest Minister HP to apprise him about the results of field inspections under Experimental Silvicultural Fellings in HP and the need to post DDR rangers in three Forest Ranges and post IFS officers in Nurpur and Paonta Divisions
17	Made a Power Point Presentation to Hon'ble Chief Minister HP on "PROCESS AND METHODOLOGY EVOLVED BY THE MONITORING COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED BY HON'BLE SUPREME COURT".
19	Had third meeting with Chief Secretary to reiterate the need to post DDR Rangers in three Forest Ranges and post IFS officers in Nurpur and Paonta Divisions.
21	Shimla to Chandigarh and back. Meeting with PCCF (HOFF) Haryana regarding Khair marking rules.
28	Shimla to Sundernagar. Made a Power Point Presentation in Forest Training Institute to Forest Ranger Trainees on "PROCESS AND METHODOLOGY EVOLVED BY THE MONITORING COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED BY HON'BLE SUPREME COURT".

JUNE 2018	
18	Consultative Interaction with HPFD to finalize Guidelines for Silvicultural Markings.
JULY 2018	
18	Journey Shimla to Chandigarh. Meeting with PCCF Punjab on the present status of silvicultural operations in Punjab.
19	Chandigarh to Shimla.
AUGUST 2018	
	Finalization of First Six Monthly Report and all Annexures,
	Printing, Binding and completion of all documents.
	Submission of Vol.1 and Vol. 2 of the Report along with DVD.

ANNEXURE-1.5**DOCUMENTS EXAMINED BY THE COMMITTEE**

SR. NO	TITLE /PARTICULARS
LEGAL MATTERS	
1.	Interlocutory Application No 3840 of 2014 in Writ Petition (Civil) NO 202 of 1995.
2.	Affidavit filed by the State of Himachal Pradesh on 1.03.2000, in response to the order dated 14.02.2000 of Hon'ble Supreme Court
3.	Orders issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court in WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 202 OF 1995 on 12.12.1996 imposing ban on green fellings in a large number of States.
4.	Government of India orders dated 11.10.2002 suspending the Working Plan for various States including the State of Himachal Pradesh
TECHNICAL MATTERS	
5.	Study on Impact of Ban on Green Felling on Biophysical Status of Forest in Context to Production Prescribed in Working plans Vis-a-Vis Actual Production from Chir Forest of Uttarakhand"
6.	Himachal Pradesh Forest Sector Review by International Institute of Environment and Development IIED (UK) in collaboration with HPFD -June 2000
7.	Ecosystem Services Valuation and Accounting of Himachal Forests by Indian Institute of Forest Management Bhopal- September 2016,

8.	National Working Plan Code-2014 Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India
9.	HPFD-Instructions Manual for Monitoring and Evaluation of Plantations and Field Works-2018
10.	HPFD-Manual of Forest Fire Prevention and Control -2018
11.	Standard Operating Procedure(SOP) for Growing Tall Polybag Plants in Forest Nurseries
12.	Revised Working Plan for Nahan and Paonta Sahib Forest Divisions (1998-99 to 2012-13) By Vineet Kumar IFS.
13.	Revised Working Plan for Nurpur Forest Division (2012-2013 to 2021-2022) By J.C.Katoch, HPFS
14.	Working Plan for the forests of Bilaspur Forest Division (2012-13 to 2027-28) by D. R. Kaushal IFS.

EXPERIMENTAL SILVICULTURAL FELLINGS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH**PROCESS AND WORKPLAN- FEBRUARY TO AUGUST 2018**

MONTH	FEB	MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		JULY		AUGUST	
WEEK No.	8-9	10-11	12-13	14-15	16-17	18-19	20-22	23-24	25-26	27-28	29-31	32-33	34-36
STAGE 1 - START UP / CONCEPTUALIZATION OF THE TASK													
1.1 SUPREME COURT ORDERS ISSUED													
1.2 MEETING WITH PCCF AND ACS FORESTS													
1.3 PROCESS CONCEPTUALIZATION													
1.4 FIRST CONSULTATIVE MEETING TALLAND 1/1/18													
1.5 SYNTHESIS OF ISSUES FOR CLARIFICATION WITH CEC													

MONTH	FEB	MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		JULY		AUGUST	
WEEK No.	8-9	10-11	12-13	14-15	16-17	18-19	20-22	23-24	25-26	27-28	29-31	32-33	34-36
1.6 ISSUE COMPLIANCE ORDERS ON CLARIFICATIONS FROM CEC													
1.7 SECOND MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING 12/3/18													
1.8 COMPLETE INFORMATION GAPS OF ANALYTICAL FRAME WORK													
1.9 ISSUE DIRECTIONS TO STAFF FOR SITE SELECTION													
1.10 GIS INPUTS AFTER AGISAC CENTRE VISIT													

MONTH	FEB	MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		JULY		AUGUST	
WEEK No.	8-9	10-11	12-13	14-15	16-17	18-19	20-22	23-24	25-26	27-28	29-31	32-33	34-36
STAGE TWO- PLANNING FOR SITE INSPECTION BY COMMITTEE													
2. COMMITTEE FIELD VISITS													
2.1 NURPUR DIVISION													
2.2 BILASPUR DIVISION													
2.3 PAONTA DIVISION													
2.4 COMPLETE THREE SPECIAL MANAGEMENT PLANS													
2.5 COMPLETE 100% ENUMERATIONS													
2.6 COMPLETION OF MARKINGS													
2.7 SUPPLY LIST OF NURSERIES FOR THREE AREAS													

MONTH	FEB	MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		JULY		AUGUST	
WEEK No.	8-9	10-11	12-13	14-15	16-17	18-19	20-22	23-24	25-26	27-28	29-31	32-33	34-36
2.8 ESTIMATING LANTANA ERADICATION COSTS													
STAGE THREE - POST MARKINGS SITE INSPECTION BY COMMITTEE													
3.1 NURPUR FOREST DIVISION													
3.2 BILASPUR FOREST DIVISION													
3.3 PAONTA FOREST DIVISION													
3.4 REVISE MARKINGS WHERE EVER ORDERED BY COMMITTEE													
DR M.R. BHARDWAJ					V.P.MOHAN						13.3.2018		

EXPERIMENTAL SILVICULTURAL FELLINGS IN HP**CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF REGENERATION PLOT OF 20 HA**

1. DATE OF INSPECTION: _____
2. SERIAL NO OF REGENERATION PLOT: _____
3. AREA OF REGENERATION PLOT: _____

NO	CRITERIA	DETAILS
BASIC DATA /LOCALITY FACTORS		
1	RANGE/BEAT/COMPARTMENT/ NAME OF FOREST	
2	DOCUMENTING EXISTING STATUS OF CHF-PRESCRIBED YEAR OF FELLING AS PER WP	
3	SILVICULTURE SYSTEM AND WORKING CIRCLE	
4	AREA OF COMPARTMENT	
5	5.1 TOPOGRAPHY- ASPECT/EASE OF TERRAIN	
	5.2 ROAD DISTANCE FROM FRH LINK ROAD DISTANCE DISTANCE ON FOOT	
6	RAINFALL	
7	FIRES VULNERABILITY	
8	CLOSENESS TO NURSERY	
9	INTENSITY OF LANTANA AND INVASIVE SPP	
10	DEMARCATON ON THE	

NO	CRITERIA	DETAILS
	GROUND AND FENCING	
STOCKING AND REGENERATION FACTORS		
11	FLORISTIC COMPOSITION	
12	OCULAR ESTIMATE OF STOCKING-DENSE/VERY DENSE	
13	SITE QUALITY AS PER WP	
14	PREPONDERANCE OF MATURE/ OVER MATURE TREES	
15	OVERALL REGENERATION STATUS	
16	RECORDING GEO REFERENCES WITH THE HELP OF GPS	
17	VISUAL GROWING STOCK ASSESSMENT AND PROPOSED REMOVALS FROM THE AREA.	
18	ANY OTHER SITE INFORMATION	
19	NAME/DESIGNATION OF RECORDER	

ANNEXURE-2.2**ABSTRACT OF APPROVED REGENERATION PLOTS****BY MONITORING COMMITTEE FOR 2018-19**

Sr. No.	CODE	FOREST NAME	COM. AREA (Ha)	REGEN. PLOT AREA (Ha)	LEFT OUT AREA	LAT./ LONG.	INSPE CTION DATE	APPROVAL STATUS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CHIL-BHARARI RANGE, BILASPUR FOREST DIVISION (3 APPROVED UNDER IRREGULAR SHELTERWOOD SYSTEM)								
1	B/1- 2018-19	C-14(b) KALLAR	9.50	9.50	0	31° 27' 4.305" N 76° 39' 55.769" E 31° 27' 6.120" N 76° 39' 50.850" E 31° 27' 19.573" N 76° 39' 46.541" E 31° 27' 19.120" N 76° 39' 37.645" E	7.4.2018	PBI- APPROVED FOR SEEDING FELLING IN 2018-19
2	B/2-2018-19	C-10 NIHARI	23.20	20.00	3.20	31° 28' 48.860" N 76° 40' 16.385" E 31° 29' 0.324" N 76° 40' 16.852" E 31° 29' 7.764" N 76° 40' 2.676" E 31° 28' 50.594" N 76° 39' 54.508" E	7.4.2018	PB I- APPROVED FOR SEEDING FELLING IN 2018-19
3	B/3-2018-19	C-5(a) TIAMLOO	16.35	16.35	0	31° 29' 57.782" N 76° 38' 51.977" E 31° 29' 58.628" N 76° 39' 7.054" E 31° 30' 11.415" N 76° 39' 5.775" E 31° 30' 8.993" N 76° 38' 52.677" E	7.4.2018	PB III -APPROVED FOR THINNINGS VERY SELECTIVELY IN 2018-19
TOTAL		B/1 TO B/3	49.05	45.85	3.20			

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
AVERAGE AREA			16.35	16.28				
SAL- PAONTA RANGE , PAONTA FOREST DIVISION (4 APPROVED UNDER SHELTERWOOD SYSTEM)								
4	P/1-2018-19	C-6 RF RAJBAN	30.96	20.00	10.96	30° 31' 41.585" N 77° 39' 37.318" E 30° 31' 52.792" N 77° 39' 45.648" E 30° 32' 6.108" N 77° 39' 33.606" E 30° 31' 59.498" N 77° 39' 26.284" E	16.4.18	PB 1-APPROVED FOR SILVICULTURAL WORKS IN 2018-19
		C-7 RF RAJBAN	19.87	NA	19.87	NA	16.4.18	PB 1-REJECTED -NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH CEC GUIDELINES
5	P/2-2018-19	C-14 KUKRON	45.00	20.00	25.00	30° 30' 6.339" N 77° 37' 15.889" E 30° 30' 14.713" N 77° 37' 14.149" E 30° 30' 12.550" N 77° 37' 41.426" E 30° 30' 23.176" N 77° 37' 31.217" E	17.4.18	PB 1-APPROVED FOR FELLING IN 2018-19
6	P/3-2018-19	C-10 RF RAJBAN	30.18	8.57	21.61	30° 31' 10.856" N 77° 39' 21.306" E 30° 31' 12.203" N 77° 39' 13.361" E 30° 30' 55.157" N 77° 39' 11.520" E 30° 30' 53.932" N 77° 39' 14.947" E	17.4.18	PB 1-APPROVED FOR FELLING IN 2018-19
7	P/4-2018-19	C-7 RF GORAKH PUR	50.00	20.00	30.00	30° 30' 43.816" N 77° 38' 41.190" E 30° 30' 30.521" N 77° 38' 48.754" E	17.4.18	PB IV-APPROVED FOR FINAL FELLING IN 2018-19

Sr. No.	CODE	FOREST NAME	COM. AREA (Ha)	REGEN. PLOT AREA (Ha)	LEFT OUT AREA	LAT./ LONG.	INSPE CTION DATE	APPROVAL STATUS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						30° 30' 38.678" N 77° 39' 6.174" E 30° 30' 43.005" N 77° 39' 3.219" E		
TOTAL		P/1 TO P/4	176.01	68.57	107.44			
AVERAGE AREA			35.20	17.14				
KHAIR- NURPUR RANGE , NURPUR FOREST DIVISION (12 APPROVED FOR SELECTION FELLING UNDER KHAIR OVERLAPPING WORKING CIRCLE IN 2018-19								
8	N/1-2018-19	C 3 C-TATTAL	59.08	20.00	39.08	32° 16' 43.663" N 75° 57' 40.440" E 32° 16' 50.189" N 75° 57' 49.662" E 32° 17' 0.647" N 75° 57' 31.864" E 32° 17' 4.873" N 75° 57' 39.085" E	23.3.18	PB II- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
9	N/2-2018-19	C-1 PUNDER	20.23	20.23	0	32° 14' 56.987" N 76° 1' 4.406" E 32° 15' 5.079" N 76° 1' 0.672" E 32° 15' 8.672" N 76° 1' 19.360" E 32° 15' 3.154" N 76° 1' 27.793" E	23.3.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
10	N/3-2018-19	C-2 PUNDER	51.39	20.00	31.39	32° 15' 11.601" N 76° 1' 14.497" E 32° 15' 17.498" N 76° 1' 19.555" E 32° 15' 22.406" N 76° 0' 52.874" E 32° 15' 27.831" N 76° 1' 4.569" E	23.3.18	PB I- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
11	N/4-2018-19	C1 PANIARU	12.55	12.55	0	32° 22' 17.004" N 75° 57' 24.336" E 32° 22' 15.136" N	24.4.18	PB III- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						75° 57' 37.408" E 32° 22' 24.262" N 75° 57' 41.317" E 32° 22' 25.055" N 75° 57' 23.245" E		
12	N/5-2018-19	C2 PANIARU	14.16	14.16	0	32° 21' 52.204" N 75° 57' 26.827" E 32° 22' 3.544" N 75° 57' 42.980" E 32° 22' 7.007" N 75° 57' 23.429" E 32° 22' 9.457" N 75° 57' 30.054" E	24.4.18	PB IV- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
13	N/6-2018-19	C-10 PUNDER	23.88	20.00	3.88	32° 17' 56.962" N 75° 59' 25.555" E 32° 18' 4.763" N 75° 59' 35.380" E 32° 17' 46.972" N 75° 59' 59.899" E 32° 17' 42.901" N 75° 59' 57.057" E	24.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
14	N/7-2018-19	C-11 PUNDER	50.58	20.00	30.58	32° 17' 9.695" N 76° 0' 10.615" E 32° 17' 11.627" N 76° 0' 15.199" E 32° 17' 30.223" N 75° 59' 58.252" E 32° 17' 31.726" N 76° 0' 9.709" E	24.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
15	N/8-2018-19	C-12 PUNDER	29.54	9.54	20.00	32° 17' 0.610" N 76° 0' 17.712" E 32° 17' 2.574" N 76° 0' 27.574" E 32° 17' 12.269" N 76° 0' 29.789" E 32° 17' 12.635" N 76° 0' 19.735" E	24.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE

Sr. No.	CODE	FOREST NAME	COM. AREA (Ha)	REGEN. PLOT AREA (Ha)	LEFT OUT AREA	LAT./ LONG.	INSPE CTION DATE	APPROVAL STATUS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
16	N/9-2018-19	C-14 PUNDER	38.85	20.00	18.85	32° 16' 21.854" N 76° 1' 7.252" E 32° 16' 32.273" N 76° 1' 18.201" E 32° 16' 42.606" N 76° 1' 8.792" E 32° 16' 38.305" N 76° 1' 11.276" E	25.4.18	PB(UNALLOTTED)- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
17	N/10-2018-19	C-15 PUNDER	64.74	20.00	44.74	32° 15' 52.236" N 32° 15' 53.671" N 76° 1' 22.131" E 32° 16' 13.354" N 76° 1' 2.262" E 32° 16' 13.131" N 76° 1' 12.715" E	25.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
18	N/11-2018-19	C-16 PUNDER	62.31	20.00	42.31	32° 16' 28.809" N 76° 1' 32.529" E 32° 16' 23.588" N 76° 1' 41.344" E 32° 16' 20.503" N 76° 1' 16.503" E 32° 16' 13.578" N 76° 1' 21.555" E	25.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
19	N/12-2018-19	C-9 PUNDER	46.93	20.00	26.93	32° 18' 47.00" N 75° 59' 59.00" E	19.5.18	PB(UNALLOTTED)- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE

Sr. No.	CODE	FOREST NAME	COM. AREA (Ha)	REGEN. PLOT AREA (Ha)	LEFT OUT AREA	LAT./ LONG.	INSPECTION DATE	APPROVAL STATUS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
TOTAL		N/1 TO N/12	474.24	216.48	257.76			
AVERAGE AREA			39.52	18.04				
KHAIR- NURPUR RANGE , NURPUR FOREST DIVISION (12 APPROVED FOR 2019-20 AFTER TOTAL LANTANA ERADICATION)								
20	N/13-2019-20	C 1b TATTAL	39.66	20.00	19.66		25.4.18	PB I- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
21	N/14-2019-20	C1C TATTAL	40.86	20.00	20.86		25.4.18	PB II- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
22	N/15-2019-20	C2C TATTAL	80.52	20.00	60.52		INSPECTION POSSIBLE IN OCTOBER 2018	PB I- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
23	N/16-2019-20	C3B TATTAL	60.70	20.00	40.70			PB I- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
24	N/17-2019-20	C-3 PUNDER	32.78	20.00	12.78			PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
25	N/18-2019-20	C- 6 PUNDER	20.64	20.00	0.64		INSPECTION POSSIBLE IN OCTOBER 2018	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
26	N/19-2019-20	C-7 PUNDER	36.42	20.00	16.42			PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
27	N/20-2019-20	C-8 PUNDER	41.26	20.00	21.26			PB(UNALLOTTED)- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE

Sr. No.	CODE	FOREST NAME	COM. AREA (Ha)	REGEN. PLOT AREA (Ha)	LEFT OUT AREA	LAT./ LONG.	INSPE CTION DATE	APPROVAL STATUS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
28	N/21-2019-20	C-13 PUNDER	10.92	10.92	0			PB(UNALLOTTED)- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
29	N/22-2019-20	C-4 PUNDER	21.04	20.00	1.04		25.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
30	N/23-2019-20	C-5 PUNDER	17.40	17.40	0		25.4.18	PLANTATION WORKING CIRCLE
31	N/24-2019-20	C-4 PANIARU	26.70	6.70	20.00		24.4.18	PB II- CHIL SHELTER WOOD WORKING CIRCLE
TOTAL		N/13 TO N/24	428.90	215.02	213.88			
AVERAGE AREA			35.74	17.91				
NURPUR TOTAL			903.14	431.50	471.64			
GRAND TOTAL 3 RANGES			1128.20	545.92	582.28			
AVERAGE AREA THREE RANGES			34.18	17.06				

EXPERIMENTAL SILVICULTURAL FELLINGS IN HP
GUIDELINES FOR CARRYING OUT 100% ENUMERATIONS OF GROWING
STOCK IN EACH APPROVED REGENERATION PLOT

5 MAY 2018

1. CONTEXT AND PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT 100 % ENUMERATIONS

Enumerations have to be carried out by ensuring the compliance of the following Binding Prerequisites as ordered by Hon'ble Supreme Court/CEC.

4(i) the permission for silvicultural fellings including thinning in the State of Himachal Pradesh be limited to only three working circles of Chil, Sal and Khair occurring below 1500 MSL to encourage regeneration of the forests aimed at achieving mixed species forests with multi layered canopy having more efficient carbon sequestration capability

4(ii) no felling of broad leaved species be permitted in the compartments to be taken up for regeneration fellings of the above three working circles or in the miscellaneous/ broad leaved working circle irrespective of the recommendations in the Working Plan;

(xiv) no green fellings are to be carried out in steep slopes and along streams and nallas as per the standard prescription in the Working Plan code and in the forest areas falling under Protection cum Rehabilitation Working Circle;

2. GENERAL GUIDELINES

2.1 QUANTITATIVE WORKLOAD: 100 % Enumerations will be carried out only within the following approved Regeneration Plots in three Divisions over an area

of 310.85 ha. during 2018-19 as per details given in the table below. Enumerations will be done only after each Regeneration Plot boundaries have been physically marked on ground with a yellow coloured 3 cm paint band on boundary trees and GPS coordinates completed.

**DETAILS OF 19 APPROVED REGENERATION PLOTS
FOR CARRYING OUT 100 % ENUMERATIONS**

FOREST DIVISION	NURPUR DIVISION	PAONTA DIVISION	BILASPUR DIVISION	TOTAL PLOTS/ AREA TO BE ENUMERATED
FOREST RANGE	NURPUR RANGE	PAONTA RANGE	BHARARI RANGE	
APPROVAL PARA NUMBER	KHAIR PARA 7.6	SAL PARA 8.8	CHIL PARA 7.7	
REGENERATION PLOTS APPROVED FOR 2018-19	12 (196.25 HA	4 (68.75 HA)	3 (45.85 HA)	19
<u>FOREST AREA TO BE ENUMERATED IN 2018-19</u>	196.25 HA.	68.75 HA	45.85 HA.	310.85 HA

2.2. SPECIES TO BE ENUMERATED:

Apart from three main species namely Chil, Sal and Khair, all trees of 10 cm and above dbh (ob)(Diameter above breast height over bark) of species which can be identified will be enumerated and given names and all other species which are not identifiable will be put under other B/L species/ Kokath. Species can also be identified by local name.

Bamboos in terms of clump will be enumerated.

Only Target species will be given number (Chil in Bilaspur, Khair in Nurpur, and Sal in Paonta) and other species enumerated will be given a mark only.

The following standard diameter classes will be used for tabulating enumerations:

DIAMETER ABOVE BARK(cm)	DBH CLASS
10-20	V
20-30	IV
30-40	III
40-50	II A
50-60	II B
60 & ABOVE	I A &OVER

2.3. PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CARRYING OUT ENUMERATIONS

1. Enumeration data for each Regeneration Plot (serially numbered like B/1 to 3 for Bilaspur, P/1 to 4 for Paonta and N/1 to 12 for Nurpur Division) **regardless of its size** will be maintained separately. Separate Field Note Book form will be used for every Regeneration Plot.
2. Each enumerated tree will be given an identification mark(x) to avoid duplicity. Bark shaver would be handy to clean the bark of tree for marking enumeration mark. Enumeration mark be marked at a clearly visible spot at breast height.
3. Trees below 10 cm diameter at breast height over bark dbh (ob) and dead trees of having utility of less than 70 % are not to be enumerated.
4. The border line trees with >50% stem within the plot will be enumerated
5. In case of forking below breast height, diameter will be measured at breast height above forking and recorded as separate trees.

6. In case of flare at the breast height, diameter will be measured immediately above or below the flare nearest to breast height.
7. For large sized or buttressed trees dia may be measured by tape taking girth and record it by converting it to dia by multiplying with $\frac{7}{22}$ or a factor of 0.318.

2.4 STAFF FOR ENUMERATIONS

1. Sufficient no. of Enumeration teams be constituted depending upon the workload and the need to complete this work **in May 2018.**
2. Each team will comprise of, at least, an enumerator who will carry out measurements (Forest guard) and will mark the enumerated tree, a recorder (Dy Ranger/ senior FG) to document the observations and team leader (RO) to guide, monitor and supervise. A semi-skilled helper can be added in the team, if needed, for misc. duties.
3. Each team should possess GPS, Vernier Calliper, marker pen /paint, bark shaver
4. Sufficient copies of enumeration forms will be provided to each team beforehand.
5. The observations will be recorded in a legible manner without overwriting/ cutting
6. Geo-references will be recorded at least at 4 points – NW, NE, SW and SE corner of the plot

2.5 TABULATION OF ENUMERATION RESULTS / DATA (Example given below)

PROPOSED-ENUMERATION FORM

To record data of all the trees (with 10 cm and above dbh over bark) measured in the Regeneration Plot area approved for Experimental Silvicultural

Felling during 2018-19

(Date)

Regeneration Plot No. Area of the plot..... Working circle.....

Name of forest..... Compartment No..... Name of nearest village

.....Beat.....Block.....Range

.....Division.....

.....LAT/LONG at the starting point.....

V 10-20 cms	IV 20-30	III 30-40	II A 40-50	II B 50-60	I A 60-70	I B 70-80	I C 80-90	I D and above ≤ 90 cms
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Total								

Sign: **Name of enumerator:**

Sign: **Name of recorder:**

Sign: **Name of team leader:**

Please note carefully that after completion of 100% enumerations, the Committee has to supplied with a summary/abstract of total volume for each approved Regeneration Plot categorised into 4 categories viz. main specie(Chil,Khair,Sal), broad leaved with names, other species Kokath and no of Bamboo clumps, and per hectare volume figure has to be worked out clearly

The total volume so obtained will be compared with corresponding total volume per hectare as available in CHF of the approved Regeneration Plot.

2.6 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL

DFO concerned has to personally ensure by explaining to field staff how 100% enumerations are to be carried out under the direct supervision of the FOREST RANGE OFFICER as per above Guidelines.

ACF will physically check and verify the correctness of the procedural details and tabulation of results.

EXPERIMENTAL SILVICULTURAL FELLINGS IN HP
GUIDELINES FOR CARRYING OUT SILVICULTURAL MARKINGS IN APPROVED
REGENERATION PLOTS
20 JUNE 2018

1. CONTEXT AND PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT MARKINGS

1.1 BINDING PREREQUISITES BY HON'BLE SUPREME COURT: Markings have to be carried out by ensuring the compliance of the following Binding Prerequisites as ordered by Hon'ble Supreme Court/CEC.

4(i) *the permission for silvicultural fellings including thinning in the State of Himachal Pradesh be limited to only three working circles of Chil, Sal and Khair occurring below 1500 MSL to encourage regeneration of the forests aimed at achieving mixed species forests with multi layered canopy having more efficient carbon sequestration capability*

4(ii) *no felling of broad leaved species be permitted in the compartments to be taken up for regeneration fellings of the above three working circles or in the miscellaneous/ broad leaved working circle irrespective of the recommendations in the Working Plan;*

5(vii) *no felling to be undertaken in Ban oak forests and other broad leaved forests other than Sal and Khair;*

5(xiv) *no green fellings are to be carried out in steep slopes and along streams and nallas as per the standard prescription in the Working Plan code and in the forest areas falling under Protection cum Rehabilitation Working Circle;*

9.6. vi) *there will be total ban on burning of debris including after seeding or over wood felling in order to encourage natural regeneration of broad leaved species and reduce soil erosion. It should also be ensured that these forest areas are kept free from grazing and are protected*

5(ix) *the removal of Lantana weed to be an integral component of regeneration felling and the removal of Lantana has to be completed before the felling operations commence, so that the regeneration of the felled area is taken up forthwith*

1.2 SPECIES WISE DIRECTIONS/STIPULATIONSO F HON'BLE SUPREME COURT/CEC AND WP PRESCRIPTIONS:

KHAIR: Rotation age 30 years-Exploitable diameter=25cm

(12 REGENERATION PLOTS)

SUPREME COURT DIRECTIVES

4. (v)rotation age of Khair is kept at 30 years with minimum dia of 25 cms. at breast height;

10.9.3. As far as Khair trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 25% of mature Khair trees or 50 trees per hectare(whichever is less)of 25 cms. diameter and above are retained as mother trees and these should be marked and numbered as trees not to be felled, which should be clearly reflected in the videography. The trees to be felled can be marked by a separate colour. The number, size and girth of the trees should be clearly spelt out.

WORKING PLAN PRESCRIPTIONS:

1. The marking will be carries out purely on Silvicultural consideration irrespective

of the consideration of yield. All dead, dry, uprooted and 80% of the Khair trees 25 cm dbh and over will be marked for felling.

2. No uprooting or chipping of stumps will be allowed and the stumps left should not be more than 15 cm above the ground level so as to ensure production of coppice shoots.

3. The stumps left should not be more than 15 cm above the ground.

CHIL: Rotation age 120 years-Exploitable diameter=60cm

(3 REGENERATION PLOTS)

SUPREME COURT DIRECTIVES

4.iv) rotation of Chil to be 120 years and is worked under Irregular Shelter Wood System

10.9.4. As far as Chil Pine and Sal trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 40 mature trees are retained per hectare and the other conditions will be the same as applicable to Khair trees.

WORKING PLAN PRESCRIPTION:

ii) *Where seeding Felling is required: - Forests containing more than 25 Chil trees per ha of II A and above classes have been kept in this category. The area of such forests is 019.00 ha. The regeneration fellings over this area will be completed within the regeneration period i.e., 30 years w.e.f. 1994-95... The sequence of fellings in this category has been so arranged that areas having poor density will be gone over during the early years of the plan.*

2.15 *Treatment of P.B. III Areas: The stocking in this P.B. on the whole is below the normal and generally no thinning would be necessary. However, in some*

compartments which may require thinning, C grade thinning will be carried out along with improvement fellings.

SAL: Rotation age 120 years-Exploitable diameter=40cm

(3 REGENERATION PLOTS FOR FELLING)

SUPREME COURT DIRECTIVES

4.iv)rotation of Sal to be 120 years and is worked under Shelter Wood System

10.9.4.As far as Chil Pine and Sal trees are concerned, the State shall ensure that at least 40 mature trees are retained per hectare and the other conditions will be the same as applicable to Khair trees;

In case of inadequate regeneration in a locality, 60 seed trees per ha. can be retained instead of 40 nos. in case of Sal.

2. GENERAL GUIDELINES

2.1 QUANTITATIVE WORKLOAD: Markings will be carried out only within the following approved Regeneration Plots in three Divisions over an area of 310.85 ha. during 2018-19 as per details given in the table below. Markings will be done only after each RegenerationPlot boundaries have to be marked with a yellow coloured 3 inches wide paint band on boundary trees and GPS coordinates completed.

DETAILS OF 19 APPROVED REGENERATION PLOTS FOR MARKINGS

FOREST DIVISION	NURPUR DIVISION	PAONTA DIVISION	BILASPUR DIVISION	TOTAL PLOTS/ AREA TO BE ENUMERATED
FOREST RANGE	NURPUR RANGE	PAONTA RANGE	BHARARI RANGE	
APPROVAL PARA NUMBER	KHAIR PARA 7.6	SAL PARA 8.8	CHIL PARA 7.7	
REGENERATION PLOTS APPROVED FOR 2018-19	12 (216.48 HA)	4 (68.57 HA Felling only in three plots)	3 (45.85 HA)	19

2.2 CARRYING OUT MARKINGS AND CHECKING BY SENIOR OFFICERS

A) General Rule for three Species:

- i.** Marking to be carried out as per silvicultural availability of trees.
- ii.** No markings are carried out on steep slopes and along streams and nallas.
- iii.** All dead, dried, uprooted and fallen trees should be marked.
- iv.** Mature and over mature trees to be marked.
- v.** Seed bearers should be kept at ridges and on open spaces where there is no regeneration, possibly at equidistant.
- vi.** The marking on the tree will be done at 10 cm above GL on the uphill side
- vii.** The colour coding for trees to be retained as **mother trees** will be **White paint** belt at breast height.
- viii.** The numbering of the retained trees will also be done by shaving the bark.
- ix.** The tree to be marked for felling will have a patch of 6"x4" by shaving the bark, above the soil level on the uphill side. This patch will be

painted with black Japan. The marking number will be engraved on this painted patch with iron chisel and marking hammer will also be affixed on this patch. The marking hammer will also be affixed at the breast height on the uphill side of the tree to be marked.

- ✕. The felling should be done in the direction opposite to the side on which marking/numbering has been done.

B) Markings will be done as follows:

TYPE OF MARKING	MARKING OFFICER	CHECKING WILL BE DONE AS PER TABLE 2 GIVEN BELOW
PBI	DFO	
PB III	ACF	
PB IV	ACF	
THINNINGS	DFO/ACF	
SELECTION FELLINGS	ACF	
SALSALVAGE	ACF	

C) Senior IFS officers along with Territorial CCF/CF will check and certify these markings in August 2018.as indicated in table below. The exact programme of inspections by Senior Officers from Headquarter will be intimated later.

TABLE 2: PLAN OF INSPECTIONS OF SILVICULTURAL MARKINGS BY SENIOR IFS OFFICERS

SN	Species	PB-IV	PB-I	PB-II	PB-III	PB-UA	Plantation	Total	PCCF (HOFF)	PCCF	APCCF
1	Chil	-	2	-	1	-	-	3	-	2	1
2	Sal	1	2	-	-	-	-	3	1 (Final Felling)	1	1
3	Khair	1	1	1	1	2	6	12	-	4	8
TOTAL		2	6	1	2	2	6	19	1	7	10

2.3 TABULATION OF MARKINGS RESULTS

The tabulation of marking results to be given to HPSFC will be done as per table already circulated in my mail of 2 June 2018.

3. COMPLIANCE OF HON'BLE SUPREME COURT ORDERS

Please note carefully that Working Plan prescriptions are to be followed to the extent that Stipulations of Hon'ble Supreme Court/CEC are complied with.

4. TIME FRAME FOR COMPLETION OF MARKINGS

- i. **BHARARI FOREST RANGE:** The marking has to be completed by 31st July in Chil WC. Efforts must be made to complete even earlier, there being three plots for Marking.
- ii. **PAONTA FOREST RANGE:** The marking has to be completed by 7th August in Sal WC, if not earlier as there are only 4 plots for Marking.
- iii. **NURPUR FOREST RANGE:** The marking has to be definitely completed by 31st August in Khair WC.