

(Authoritative English text of this Department Order No. FFE-B-A(3)-1/2017, dated 21st December, 2020 as required under clause (3) of article 348 of the Constitution of India)

**Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Forests.**

No. FFE-B-A(3)-1/2017

Dated: Shimla-2, the

21st December, 2020.

ORDER

WHEREAS, vide Order No. FFE-B-A(3)-4/99 dated 10-09-2002, issued under section 4 of the Himachal Pradesh Land Preservation Act, 1978 (Act No. 28 of 1978) and published in the Rajpatra Himachal Pradesh (Extra Ordinary) on 4th of October, 2002, felling of trees from the private land were temporarily regulated, restricted and prohibited in certain areas of the State;

AND WHEREAS, the State Government is satisfied, after due enquiry under section 7 of the Act *ibid*, it is necessary and expedient further to amend the said order for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the said Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Act *ibid*, the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to make the following amendments in the said Order, namely:-

AMENDMENTS

1. **Amendment of Para-1.-** For the provisions contained under third proviso to para 1 of the said order, the following shall be substituted; namely.—

"No. of trees	Competent authority to grant permission to fell the trees
-Upto 200 trees in a year	Concerned Divisional Forest Officer
-Upto 300 trees in a year	Concerned Chief Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests
-Upto 400 trees in a year	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Himachal Pradesh.
-Above 400 trees in a year	Himachal Pradesh Government"

2. **Amendment of para-6.-** For the para 6 of the said order, the following shall be substituted; namely.—

"In case of trees are not felled within the prescribed year, the competent authority may extend the period upto one year in the following circumstance:-



- i. where the process of demarcation of land and marking of trees have been completed during the prescribed year of felling and felling orders stand issued by the Divisional Forest Officer concerned, but felling of trees has not been done or has been done partly; and
- ii. where process of demarcation of land and marking of trees has been completed during the prescribed year of felling but felling orders have not been issued.

Provided that the competent authority to grant extension in working period upto one year shall be the following:-

No. of trees	Authority to grant extension in Working Period
Upto 200 trees	Concerned Chief Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests
Above 200 trees	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Himachal Pradesh

Explanation:- "Prescribed year" means the financial year in which trees are to be felled in respect of particular area in accordance with the ten years felling programme approved by the State Government."

By order,

R.D.Dhiman

**Additional Chief Secretary (Forests) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh**

Endst. No. FFE-B-A(3)-1/2017

Dated: Shimla-2, the 21st December, 2020.

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1. ALR-cum-Additional Secretary (Law) to the Govt. of H.P., Shimla-02.
2. The Deputy Secretary (GAD) to the Government of H.P.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), H.P. Shimla-01.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life), H.P. Shimla-01.
5. All the Addl. Pr.CCFs/CCFs/CFs(T) & (Wild Life) in H.P.
6. All the Deputy Commissioners in H.P.
7. All the Divisional Forest Officers (T) & (Wild Life) in H.P.
8. The Controller, Printing & Stationary Department, Shimla-05 for publication in the Rajpatra (Extra Ordinary), Himachal Pradesh.
9. The Director, Information and Public Relations, H.P. Shimla-02.
10. The Section Officer (Forest-A) H.P. Secretariat, Shimla-02.
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