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From

Commissioner(Tribal Dev.) Himachal Pradesh, Bijlani House, Shimla-171002

To

- Sh. Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble MLA, Lahaul-Spiti Distt. Lahaul-Spiti, H.P
- Sh. Ram Singh, Advocate,
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- Sh. Bhajan Singh Thakur,
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  Distt. Chamba, H.P.
- The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forest) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2
- The Addl. Chief Secretary-cum-FC(Revenue) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2
- 6. The Secretary (Panchayati Raj) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2
- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1

Dated

Shimla-2

2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2016

Subject:-

Proceedings of the meeting of State Level Monitoring Committee held on 30.01.2016 at 3.00 PM constituted under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H.P.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith the proceedings of the meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee regarding Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 held on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 at 3.00 PM under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H.P for your information and necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,

Q Deputy Director (Tribal Dev.) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2

Endst No. & Dated: - As above.

Copy to the Deputy Secretary (Tribal Dev.) to the Govt. of H.P. Shimla-2 for information.

Deputy Director (Tribal Dev.) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF STATE LEVEL MONITORING COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED UNDER SCHEDULED TRIBES AND OTHER TRADITIONAL FOREST DWELLERS (RECOGNITION OF FOREST RIGHTS) ACT, 2006 HELD ON 30-1-2016 AT 3-00 P.M. UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CHIEF SECRETARY, HIMACHAL PRADESH.

The following were present:-

1.	Sh. V.C. Pharka	CTD-Addl. Chief Secretary (TD)
2.	Sh. Tarun Sridhar	Addl. Chief Secretary (Revenue)
3.	Sh. Onkar Sharma	Secretary (Panchayati Raj)
4.	Sh. V.R.R. Singh	Addl. Pr. CCF (FCA)
5.	Sh. Sat Pal Dhiman	Dy. Secretary (Forests)

The following items were discussed and decisions taken are shown below against each item:-

## Constitution of Forest Rights Committee (FRC) at village level by convening Gram Sabha meetings:

Secretary, Panchayati Raj informed that 15886 FRCs have been constituted out of 17904 revenue villages. He stated that Panchayati Raj Department will shortly send the list of villages having very low population alongwith explanatory letter clearly stating the grounds due to which villages cannot be clubbed for constituting viable Gram Sabha for electing FRCs. It was decided that Panchayati Raj Department shall send this information within 10 days. It was further decided that Panchayati Raj Department shall convene Special Gram Sabha for constitution of remaining FRCs at village level.

## 2. Training under Forest Rights Act (FRA):

Noted.

## 3. Assessment of potential Community Forest Resource (CFR) areas:

It was decided that this matter needs to be jointly examined by the Panchayati Raj Department and Forests Department in the light of FRA provisions

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and guidelines issued by MoTA already supplied in the Agenda. It was decided that the position after due examination be submitted in the next meeting.

 Regarding use of geo-referencing for assessment of potential areas as per directions of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GoI.

It was decided that Forests and Revenue department to check if the georeferenced maps pertaining to village and forest boundaries are available with them. If so, the same be supplied to Department of Science and Technology for doing the needful. Otherwise factual position be intimated to TDD.

5. Diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes under Section 3(2):

Dy. Secretary, Forests informed that instructions in this regard have been issued to Pr. CCF. The Addl. Pr.CCF further informed that the copy of the instructions have already been endorsed to the field offices.

Right of ownership, access to collect, use and disposal of minor forest produce:

It was decided that Panchayati Raj and Forest Department will take action in the matter and issue appropriate instructions compliant with the FRA.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

Approved by Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh