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**SCHEDULED TRIBES  
AND  
OTHER TRADITIONAL  
FOREST DWELLERS  
(Recognition of Forest Rights)  
RULES, 2008  
(Both Hindi and English Version)**

Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Tribal Development Department

vud fipr tutkfr vks vl; ija jkxr ou fuokl h  
%ou vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk½ fu; e] 2008

1- I f{klr uke] folrkJ vks i kjk&&½ bu fu; eka dk I f{klr uke vud fipr  
tutkfr vks vl; ija jkxr ou fuokl h %ou vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk½ fu; e] 2008 gSA

¼½ budk folrkJ] tEew'd'ehj jkT; ds nkMðj] Hkkjr ij gksxk A

¼¾ ; s jkti = ea izdk'ku dh rkjh[k dks izDk gksxk A

2- i f j Hkk"kk, a&&½ bu fu; eka e] tc rd fd I nHkZ l s vl; Fkk vi f{kr u gk&

¼½ ^vf/kfu; e\*\* I s vud fipr tutkfr vks vl; ija jkxr ou fuokl h %ou  
vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk½ vf/kfu; e] 2006 ¼2007 dk 2½ vfHki r g\$

¼¾ ^okLrfod thfodk vko'; drkvk\* I } tS k fd vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk 3 dh  
mi &/kkjk ¼½ ds [kM ¼½] [kM ¼½ vks [kM ¼¾ ea micf/kr g\$ ou Hkfe  
ij Lo; a [krh djds mRi knu ds ek/; e I s ; k mi t ds foØ; I s Lo; a dh  
vks] dVf dh ey/Hkr vko'; drka dh i frZ vfHki r g\$

¼¾ ^nkonkj\*\* I s , d k 0; f"V] 0; f"V; ka dk I eg] dVf; ; k I epk; vfHki r g\$ tks  
vf/kfu; e ea I phc) vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk vks] muds fufgr gksus ds fy,  
nkok djrk g\$

¼¾ vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk 3 dh mi &/kkjk ¼½ ds [kM ¼½ ds v/khu ^xksk ou mi t  
ds fui Vku\* ds varxh mi t dks bdVBk djus okys ; k I epk; }kjk thfodk  
ds fy, , d h mi t ds mi ; kx ds fy, LFkkuh; Lrj ij i d d j . k] eV;  
o/kZ] ou {ks= ea fl j ij j [kdj] I kbfdy }kjk ; k Bsyka ds }kjk i fjogu ; k  
foØ; Hkh g\$

¼¾ ^ou vf/kdkj I fefr\*\* I s fu; e 3 ds v/khu xke I Hkk }kjk xBr I fefr  
vfHki r g\$

¼¾ ^y/kjk\*\* I s vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk vfHki r gSA

1/2 1/2 mu 'kcnka vks inka dkj tks bu fu; eka ea iz; Ør gð vks i fjHkkf' kr ugha gð fdlurq vf/kfu; e ea i fjHkkf'kr gð ogha vFkz gksxk tks vf/kfu; e ea gS A

3- xke I Hkk&&1/2 xke i pk; r }kjk xke I Hkkvka dk I a kstu fd; k tk, xk vks ml ds igys vf/koš ku ea og vi us l nL; ka ea l s de l s de nl fdlurq i ang l s vuf/kd 0; fDr; ka dks ou vf/kdkj I febr ds l nL; ka ds : i ea fuokfpr djsxh ftl ea de l s de , d&frgkbz l nL; vud fipr tutkfr; ka ds gkæx %

i jarq, d s l nL; ka ea l s de l s de , d frgkbz l nL; efgyk, a gkæx %

i jarq; g vks fd tgka dkbz vud fipr tutkfr; ka ugha gð ogka , d s l nL; ka ea l s de l s de , d frgkbz l nL; efgyk, a gkæx A

1/2 1/2 ou vf/kdkj I febr v/; {k vks I fpo dk fofu'p; djsxh vks ml dh I ipuk mi [kM Lrj dh I febr dks nsxh A

1/3 1/2 tc ou vf/kdkj I febr dk dkbz l nL; 0; f"Vd ou vf/kdkj dk nkonkj Hkh gS rc og ml dh I ipuk I febr dks nsxk vks tc ml ds nkos ij fopkj fd; k tk, xk rc og l R; ki u dk; kbkfg; ka ea Hkkx ugha ysxk A

4- xke I Hkk ds dR; && 1/2 xke I Hkk &&

1/d 1/2 ou vf/kdkj ka dh i dfr vks I hek dk vo/kkj .k dj ds ds fy, dk; bkgh vkjalk djsxh vks ml l s l æf/kr nkoka dh I quokbz djsxh(

1/k 1/2 ou vf/kdkj ka ds nkonkj ka dh I iph r\$ kj djsxh vks nkonkj ka vks muds nkoka ds , d s C; kS ka dk , d jftLVj j [ksxh tks dlnh; l jdkj vkn\$ k }kjk vo/kkfjr dja(

1/x 1/2 ou vf/kdkj ka ds l ærk ea nkoka ij l æYi] fgrc) 0; fDR; ka vks I æf/kr i kf/kdkfj; ka dks l quokbz dk ; fDr; Ør vol j nus ds i 'pkr} i kfjr djsxh vks ml gami [kM Lrj dh I febr dks Hkst nsxh(

1/2k½ vf/kfu; e dk /kkjk 4 dh mi&/kkjk 1/2½ ds [kM 1/4³½ ds v/khu  
i q0; bLFkku i i sstka ij fopkj djxh( vksj

1/4³½ vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk 5 ds mi calka dks dk; kflor djus ds fy, ou; tho]  
ou vksj t b fofokrk ds l j {k.k ds fy, vi us l nL; ka ea l s l febr; ka  
dk xBu djxh A

1/2½ xke l Hkk ds vf/ko'ku ea x.ki firZ , d h xke l Hkk ds l Hkh l nL; ka ds nks  
frgkbZ l s vl; u l nL; ka }kjk gksxh(

ijUrq tgka fdl h xko ea vud fir tutkfr; ka vksj xj &vud fir tutkfr; ka dh  
fo"ke tul a[; k gs ogka vud fir tutkfr] vkfne tutkfr; l euka vksj df"k i nZ  
l epk; ka ds l nL; ka dk i; k r : i l s ifrfuf/kRo fn; k tk, xk A

1/3½ xke l Hkk dks jkT; ds ikf/kdkfj; ka }kjk vko'; d l gk; rk mi yC/k djkbZ  
tk, xh A

5- mi [kM Lrj dh l febr&jkT; l jdkj fuEufyf[kr l nL; ka ds l kfk mi [kM  
Lrj dh l febr dk xBu djxh( vfkkr~%&&

1/4½ mi [kM vf/kdkjh ; k l eny; vf/kdkjh & v/; {k

1/4[k½ mi [kM dk Hkj l k/kd ou vf/kdkjh ; k l eny; vf/kdkjh & l nL;

1/4x½ Cykld ; k rgl hy Lrj dh ipk; rka ds rhu l nL; ftUga ftyk ipk; r }kjk  
ukefunf'kr fd; k tk, xk ftuea l s de l s de nks vud fir tutkfr; ka ds  
gkxs tks vf/kekur% , d s l nL; gkxs tks ou fuokl h gs ; k tks vkfne  
tutkfr; l euka ds gs vksj tgka dkbZ vud fir tutkfr; ka ugha gs ogka , d s  
nks l nL; tks vf/kekur% vl; i j a jkxr ou fuokl h gs vksj , d efgyk  
l nL; gksxh( ; k l fo/kku dh NBh vud pph ds varxr vkus okys {ks=ka ea rhu  
l nL; Lo'kkl h ftyk ifj"kn~ ; k i knf'kd ifj"kn~ ; k vl; l e fir tkuy  
Lrj dh ifj"kn~ }kjk ukefunf'kr fd, tk, xs ftuea l s de l s de , d  
efgyk l nL; gksxh( vksj

1/2k½ tutkrh; dY; k.k foHkkx dk mi [kM dk Hkkj l k/kd vf/kdkjh ; k tgka , s k  
vf/kdkjh mi yC/k ugha gñ ogka tutkrh; dk; l dk Hkkj l k/kd vf/kdkjh A

6- mi [kM Lrj dh l febr ds dR; & mi [kM Lrj dh l febr &

1/d½ iR; d xke l Hkk dks uktp iM+ iKsks vKj tho tUrq ds l anHkZ eñ ftUga  
l jf{kr vKj l jf{kr j [ks tkus dh vko'; drk gñ ol; tho] ou vKj  
tbfof/krk ds l j {k.k ds l ærk ea muds drD; ka vKj ou vf/kdkjka ds /kkj d  
ds drD; ka rFk vl; ds drD; ka ds ckjs ea tkudkjh mi yC/k dj, xh(

1/4k½ xke l Hkk vKj ou vf/kdkj l febr dks ou vKj jktLo ekufp= vKj ernkrk  
l ph mi yC/k dj, xh(

1/4x½ l æ) xke l Hkkvka ds l Hkh l æYi ka dks , d l kFk feyk, xh(

1/2k½ xke l Hkkvka }kjk mi yC/k dj, x, ekufp=ka vKj C; kñ ka dks l efr djxh(

1/2³½ nkoka dh l PpkbZ dks l fuf'pr djus ds fy, xke l Hkkvka ds l æYi ka vKj  
ekufp=ka dh ijh{k djxh(

1/4½ fdUgha ou vf/kdkjka dh iæfr vKj l hek ds l ærk ea xke l Hkkvka ds chp  
fookna dh l ukobZ djxh vKj mudk U; k; fu.kz u djxh(

1/4N½ xke l Hkkvka ds l æYi ka l s 0; fFkr 0; fDr; kñ ftuds vxzñ jkT; vfHkdj.k  
Hkh gñ vftZ ka dh l ukobZ djxh(

1/4t½ var% mi [kM nkoka ds fy, mi [kM Lrj dh l febr; ka ds l kFk l ello; djxh(

1/4>½ l jdkjh vfHkys[kka ea l kætL; djus ds i'pkr~ iLrkfor ou vf/kdkjka ds  
Cykñ ; k rgl hy okj ik: i vfHkys[k rñ kj djxh(

1/4´½ iLrkfor ou vf/kdkjka ds ik: i vfHkys[k ds l kFk nkoka dks mi [kM vf/kdkjh  
ds ek; e l s ftyk Lrj dh l febr dks vñre fofu'p; ds fy, vxñ'kr  
djxh(

1/4V1/2 ou fuokfl ; ka ea vf/kfu; e ds v/khu vksj fu; eka ea vf/kdffkr m'is ; ka vksj i fØ; kvka ds ckjs ea tkx: drk i s'rk djsxh(

1/4B1/2 nkonkja dks nkoka ds bu fu; eka ds mikak&1 1/4i k: i d vksj [k1/2 ea ; Fkkmi c'f/kr i kQkekZ dh vkl kuh l s vksj fu% k'Yd mi yC/krk l fuf' pr djsxh(

1/4M1/2 ; g l fuf' pr djsxh fd xke l Hkk ds vf/ko'ku vi f'kr x.ki firZ ds l kfk eDr] [k'yh vksj fu"i {k jhfr ea fd, tkrs g' A

7- ftyk Lrj dh l febr & jkT; l jdkj fuEufyf[kr l nL; ka ds l kfk ftyk Lrj dh l febr dk xBu djsxh] vFkkZr~%&&

1/4d1/2 ftyk dyDVj ; k mik; Dr & v/; {k

1/4[k1/2 l e) [kM ou vf/kdkjh ; k l e) mi ou l j {kd & l nL;

1/4x1/2 ftyk Lrj dh i pk; r ds rhu l nL; ftlga ftyk i pk; r }kjk ukefun' kr fd; k tk, xk ftuea l s de l s de nks vud f'pr tutkfr; ka ds gk'xs tks vf/kekur% , s l nL; gk'xs tks ou fuokl h g' ; k tks vkfne tutkfr; l engka ds g' vksj tgka dkbZ vud f'pr tutkfr; ka ugha g' ogka , s nks l nL; tks vf/kekur% vl; i j jkxr ou fuokl h g' vksj , d efgyk l nL; gk'xh( ; k l fo/kku dh NBh vud f'ph ds var'x' vkus okys {ks=ka ea rhu l nL; Lo' kkl h ftyk ifj"kn~ ; k i knf'kd ifj"kn~ ; k l e'f'pr tkuy Lrj dh ifj"kn~ }kjk ukefun' kr fd, tk, x'sftuea l s de l s de , d efgyk l nL; gk'xh( vksj

1/42k1/2 tutkfr; dY; k.k foHkkx dk ftys dk Hkkj l k/kd vf/kdkjh ; k tgka , s k vf/kdkjh mi yC/k ugha g' ogka tutkfr; dk; Z dk Hkkj l k/kd vf/kdkjh A

8- ftyk Lrj dh l febr ds dR; & ftyk Lrj dh l febr &

1/4d1/2 ; g l fuf' pr djsxh fd fu; e 6 ds [kM 1/4k1/2 ds v/khu vi f'kr tkudkj h xke l Hkk ; k ou vf/kdkjh l febr dks mi yC/k dj k nh xbz g'

1/4[k1/2 bl ckjs ea i j h {kk djsxh fd D; k l Hkh nkoka fo' k'skdj vkfne tutkfr; l engka i 'kq pkj dka vksj ; k; koj tutkfr; ka ds l Hkh nkoka dk vf/kfu; e ds m'is ; ka dks /; ku ea j [krs gq l ek/kku dj fn; k x; k g'

¼x½ mi [kAM Lrj dh I febr }kjk rš kj fd, x, ou vf/kdkjka ds nkoka vks  
vfHkys[k ij fopkj djsxh vks] vire : i I smudk vupknu djsxh(

¼?k½ mi [kAM Lrj dh I febr ds vknš kka I s 0; fFkr 0; fDr; ka I s vftz ka dh I ukobz  
djsxh(

¼³½ var%tyk nkoka ds I cak ea vU; ftyka ds I kfk I ello; djsxh(

¼p½ I q ar I jdkjh vfHkys[kk] ftuds varx vf/kdkjka dk vfHkys[k Hkh gš ea ou  
vf/kdkjka ds I ekos ku ds fy, funš k tkjh djsxh(

¼N½ tš s gh vfHkys[k dks vire : i ns fn; k tk,] ou vf/kdkjka ds vfHkys[k dk  
i dk'ku I fuf'pr djsxh( vks)

¼t½ ; g I fuf'pr djsxh fd vf/kfu; e ds v/khu vks] bu fu; eka ds mi cak 2  
vks] 3 ea ; FkkofufnZV ou vf/kdkjka vks] gd ds vfHkys[k dh vf/ki ekf.kr  
ifr I c) nkonkj vks] I cf/kr xke I Hkk dks ns nh xbZ gS A

9- jkT; Lrj dh fuxjkuh I febr&jkT; I jdkj fuEufyf[kr I nL; ka ds I kfk  
jkT; I rj dh fuxjkuh I febr dk xBu djsxh] vFkkZr-%&

¼d½ eq; I fpo & v/; {k(

¼[k½ I fpo] jktLo foHkkx & I nL; (

¼x½ I fpo] tutkrh; ; k I ekt dY; k.k foHkkx & I nL; (

¼?k½ I fpo] ou foHkkx & I nL; (

¼³½ I fpo] i pk; rh jkt & I nL; (

¼p½ izkku eq; ou I j {kd & I nL; (

¼N½ tutkrh; I ykgdkj ifj"kn- ds rhu vuq fipr tutkrh; I nL; ftlga  
tutkrh; I ykgdkj ifj"kn- ds v/; {k }kjk ukefunf'kr fd; k tk, xk vks]  
tgka dkbZ tutkrh; I ykgdkj ifj"kn- ugha gš ogka jkT; I jdkj }kjk  
ukefunf'kr fd, tkus okys rhu vuq fipr tutkrh; I nL; (

¼t½ vk; Dr] tutkrh; dY; k.k ; k I erY; tks I nL; & I fpo gksxk A

10- jkT; Lrj dh fuxjkuh I fefr ds dR; &&jkT; Lrj dh fuxjkuh I fefr&

¼d½ ou vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk vkš muds fufgr gkus dh i fØ; k dh fuxjkuh ds fy, ekunM vkš I ddrd r; djsxh(

¼[k½ jkT; ea ou vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk] I R; ki u vkš muds fufgr gkus dh i fØ; k dh fuxjkuh djsxh(

¼x½ ou vf/kdkjka dh ekU; rk] I R; ki u vkš muds fufgr gkus dh i fØ; k ds I æzk ea Ng ekfl d fj i kVZ i Lnr djsxh vkš ukMy vfHkdj.k dks , d h foojf.k; ka vkš fj i kV± i Lnr djsxh ftudh ukMy vfHkdj.k }kjk ekæ dh tk, (

¼k½ vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk 8 ea ; Fkkof.kr I puk dh i kflr ij vf/kfu; e ds v/khu I æ) i kf/kdkfj; ka ds fo: ) I efpr dkj bkbZ djsxh(

¼³½ vf/kfu; e dh /kkjk 4 dh mi &/kkjk ¼²½ ds v/khu i qLFkkā u dh fuxjkuh djsxhA

11- xte I Hkk }kjk nkos Qkby djuš mudk vo/kkj.k vkš I R; ki u djus dh i fØ; k&¼¹½ xte I Hkkj&

¼d½ nkoka ds fy, ekæ djsxh vkš bu fu; eka ds mi kca/k 1 ea ; Fkmi cā/kr iz i eš nkos Lohdkj djus ds fy, oukf/kdkj I fefr dks i kf/kdr dj I dsh vkš , d s nkoš nkoka dh , d h ekæ dh rkjh[k I s rhu ekl dh vof/k ds Hkhrj] fu; e 13 ea mfYyf[kr de I s de nks I k{; ka ds I kFk fd, tk, æs %

i j r q xte I Hkkj ; fn vko' ; d I e>} rhu ekl dh ml vof/k dks ml ds fy, dkj.k ys[kc) djus ds i 'pkr} foLrkfjr dj I dsh A

¼[k½ vi us I kenkf; d ou I d k/ku ds vo/kkj.k dh i fØ; k vkj bk djus ds fy, dkbZ rkjh[k fu; r djsxh vkš tgka I kjoku vfr0; ki fr gkš ogka ml I s yxh gpZ I ehi LFk xte I Hkkvka dks vkš mi &[kM Lrj I fefr dks I fpr djsxhA

¼²½ oukf/kdkj I fefr] xte I Hkk dks ml ds fuEufyf[kr dR; ka dks djus ea I gk; rk nsxh]&&



1/4 1/2 fofufnZV iz i ea nkos vks , d s nkoa ds l eFkZu ea l k{; i klr djuk  
mudh vfhkLohdfr nsk vks mluga j [kuk(

1/4 i 1/2 nkoa vks l k{; dk] ekufp= l fgr] vfhkys[k r\$ kj djuk(

1/4 iii 1/2 oukf/kdkj ka ds l ca[k ea nkonkj ka dh l pph r\$ kj djuk(

1/4 iv 1/2 bu fu; eka ea mi cf/kr fd, x, vuq kj nkoa dk l R; ki u djuk(

1/4 v 1/2 nkos ds Lo: i vks foLrkj ds l ca[k ea vi us fu"d"kkæ dks xte l Hkk ds  
l e{k] ml ds fopkj ds fy, i Lrr djsxh A

1/4 3 1/2 i klr fd, x, i R; d nkos dh oukf/kdkj l febr }kj k fyf[kr ea l E; d-: i  
l s vfhkLohdfr dh tk, xh A

1/4 4 1/2 oukf/kdkj l febr] bu fu; eka ds mi ca[k l ea ; Fkmi cf/kr iz i [k ea  
l kepkf; d oukf/kdkj ka ds fy, xte l Hkk dh vks l s nkoa Hkh r\$ kj djsxh A

1/4 5 1/2 xte l Hkk] mi & fu; e 1/2 1/2 ds [kM 1/4 1/2 ds v/khu fu"d"kkæ dh i klr ij  
oukf/kdkj l febr ds fu"d"kkæ ij fopkj djus ds fy, ] i dZ l puk ij cBd djsxh] l e[pr  
l dYi i kfjr djsxh vks ml s mi & [kM Lrj l febr dks Hkstxh A

1/4 6 1/2 xte i pk; r dk l fpo] vi us dR; ka ds fuogZu ea xte l Hkkvka ds l fpo ds  
: i ea Hkh dk; l djsxh A

12- oukf/kdkj l febr }kj k nkoa dk l R; ki u djus dh i fØ; k& 1/4 1/2 oukf/kdkj  
l febr] l ca[k/kr nkonkj vks ou foHkx dks l E; d- l puk nus ds i 'pkr}&

1/4 d 1/2 LFky dk nk\$ k djsxh vks LFky ij nkos ds Lo: i vks foLrkj rFk l k{;  
dk 0; fDrxr : i l s l R; ki u djsxh(

1/4 [k 1/2 nkonkj vks l kf{k; ka l s dkbZ vfrfjDr l k{; ; k vfhkys[k i klr djsxh(

1/4 x 1/2 ; g l fuf'pr djsxh fd pkj kxkgh vks ; k; kojh tutkfr; ka ds mu nkoa dk  
tks 0; f"Vd l nL; k] l epk; ; k i ja jkxr l kepkf; d l LFk ds ek/; e l s  
i klr gq gk] muds vf/kdkj ka ds vo/kkj .k ds fy, ] , d s l e; ij l R; kfi r  
fd; k tkrk g\$ tc , d s 0; f"V ; k l epk; ; k muds i fruf/k mi l LFkr gk

1/2k½ ; g l fuf'pr djxh fd ikphu tutkfr leg ; k iol df'k lepk; ds  
l nL; ds nkos dk} tks muds lepk; ; k ija jkxr l kepkf; d l LFk ds  
ek/; e l s i k r gq gk} vkokl ds muds vf/kdkj ka ds vo/kkj .k ds fy, ml  
le; l R; kfir fd; k tkrk g} tc , d s lepk; ; k muds ifr fuf/k mi l Fkr  
gk} vksj

1/2½ ekU; rk fn, tkus ; k} l hekfpulgka dks mi nf'kr djrs gq i R; ad nkos ds {k=  
dks vfidr djus okyk ekufp= r} kj djxh A

1/2½ rRi 'pkr-oukf/kdkj l febr nkos ds l adk ea vi us fu"d"ka dks vfHkfyf[kr  
djxh vksj mlga xte l Hkk dks ml ds fopkj ds fy, i Lrqr djxh A

1/3½ ; fn fdl h ml js xte dh ija jkxr ; k : f<xr l hekvka ds l adk ea fojkskh  
nkos g} ; k ; fn fdl h ou {k= dk , d l s mi ; kx vf/kd xte l Hkkvka }kjk fd; k tkrk g  
rks l adk/kr xte l Hkkvka dh oukf/kdkj l febr; ka , d s noka ds mi Hkks ds Lo: i dk fopkj  
djus ds fy, l a Dr : i l s cBd djxh vksj l adk/kr xte l Hkkvka dks fyf[kr ea fu"d"ka  
i Lrqr djxh %

i jUrq ; fn xte l Hkk, a fojkskh noka dk l ek/kku djus ea l eFkZ ugha g} rks ml s xte  
l Hkk }kjk mi &[k.M Lrj l febr dks ml dk l ek/kku djus ds fy, fufnZV fd; k tk, xkA

1/4½ l pukj vfHkys[kka ; k nLrkostka ds fy, xte l Hkk ; k oukf/kdkj l febr ds  
vu}k}k ij l adk/kr i kf/kdkjh ; FkflLFkr xte l Hkk ; k oukf/kdkj l febr dks ml dh  
vf/ki ekf.kr i fr mi yC/k dj, ks vksj ; fn vi f[kr gk} fdl h i kf/kdr vf/kdkjh ds ek/; e  
l s vi uk Li "Vhdj.k l dj dj, ks A

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## **Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rule, 2008**

**1. Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) These rules may be called the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2008.

- (2) They shall extend to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.
- (3) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2. Definitions.**—(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) "Act" means the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (2 of 2007) ;
- (b) "bonafide livelihood needs" means fulfilment of sustenance needs of self and family through production or sale of produce resulting from self-cultivation of forest land as provided under clauses (a), (c) and (d) of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Act ;
- (c) "claimant" means an individual, group of individuals, family or community making a claim for recognition and vesting of rights listed in the Act ;
- (d) "disposal of minor forest produce" under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Act shall include local level processing, value addition, transportation in forest area through head-loads, bicycle and handcarts for use of such produce or sale by the gatherer or the community for livelihood ;
- (e) "Forest Rights Committee" means a committee constituted by the Gram Sabha under rule 3 ;
- (f) "section" means the section of the Act ;

(2) The words and expressions used and not defined in these rules but defined in the Act, shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act;

**3. Gram Sabha.**—(1) The Gram Sabhas shall be convened by the Gram Panchayat and in its first meeting it shall elect from amongst its members, a committee of

not less than ten but not exceeding fifteen persons as members of the Forest Rights Committees, wherein at least one-third members shall be the Scheduled Tribes :

Provided that not less than one-third of such members shall be women :

Provided further that where there are no Scheduled Tribes, at least one-third of such members shall be women.

(2) The Forest Rights Committee shall decide on a chairperson and a secretary and intimate it to the Sub-divisional Level Committee.

(3) When a member of the Forest Rights Committee is also a claimant of individual forest right, he shall inform the Committee and shall not participate in the verification proceedings when his claim is considered.

**4. Functions of the Gram Sabha.**—(1) The Gram Sabha shall—

- (a) initiate the process of determining the nature and extent of forest rights, receive and hear the claims relating thereto;
  - (b) prepare a list of claimants of forests rights and maintain a register containing such details of claimants and their claims as the Central Government may by order determine;
  - (c) pass a resolution on claims on forest rights after giving reasonable opportunity to interested persons and authorities concerned and forward the same to the Sub-Divisional level Committee;
  - (d) consider resettlement packages under clause(e) of sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Act and pass appropriate resolution; and
  - (e) constitute Committees for the protection of wildlife, forest and biodiversity, from amongst its members, in order to carry out the provisions of section 5 of the Act.
- (2) The quorum of the Gram Sabha meeting shall be not less than two-thirds of all members of such Gram Sabha:

Provided that where there is a heterogeneous population of Scheduled Tribes and non Scheduled Tribes in any village, the members of the Scheduled Tribe, Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) and pre-agricultural communities shall be adequately represented.

(3) The Gram Sabha shall be provided with the necessary assistance by the authorities in the State.

**5. Sub-Divisional Level Committees.**—The State Government shall constitute Sub-Divisional Level Committee with the following members, namely :—

- (a) Sub-Divisional Officer or equivalent officer — Chairperson;
- (b) Forest Officer in charge of a Sub-division or equivalent officer — Member;
- (c) three members of the Block or Tehsil level Panchayats to be nominated by the District Panchayat of whom at least two shall be the Scheduled Tribes preferably those who are forest dwellers, or who belong to the primitive tribal groups and where there are no Scheduled Tribes, two members who are preferably other traditional forest dwellers, and one shall be a woman member; or in areas covered under the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, three members nominated by the Autonomous District Council or Regional Council or other appropriate zonal level, of whom at least one shall be a woman member; and
- (d) an officer of the Tribal Welfare Department in-charge of the Sub-division or where such officer is not available the officer in-charge of the tribal affairs.

**6. Functions of the Sub-Divisional Level Committee.**—The Sub-Divisional Level Committee (SDLC) shall—

- (a) provide information to each Gram Sabha about their duties and duties of holder of forest rights and others towards protection of wildlife, forest and biodiversity with reference to critical flora and fauna which need to be conserved and protected;
- (b) Provide forest and revenue maps and electoral rolls to the Gram Sabha or the Forest Rights Committee;
- (c) collate all the resolutions of the concerned Gram Sabhas;
- (d) consolidate maps and details provided by the Gram Sabhas;
- (e) examine the resolutions and the maps of the Gram Sabhas to ascertain the veracity of the claims;
- (f) hear and adjudicate disputes between Gram Sabhas on the nature and extent of any forest rights;
- (g) hear petitions from persons, including State agencies, aggrieved by the resolutions of the Gram Sabhas;
- (h) co-ordinate with other Sub-Divisional Level Committees for inter sub divisional claims;

- (i) prepare block or tehsil-wise draft record of proposed forest rights after reconciliation of government records;
- (j) forward the claims with the draft record of proposed forest rights through the Sub-Divisional Officer to the District Level Committee for final decision;
- (k) raise awareness among forest dwellers about the objective and procedures laid down under the Act and in the rules;
- (l) ensure easy and free availability of proforma of claims to the claimants as provided in Annexure-I (Forms A and B) of these rules;
- (m) ensure that the Gram Sabha meetings are conducted in free, open and fair manner with requisite quorum.

**7. District Level Committee.**—The State Government shall constitute District Level Committee (DLC) with the following members, namely :—

- (a) District Collector or Deputy Commissioner-Chairperson;
- (b) concerned Divisional Forest Officer or concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest-member;
- (c) three members of the district panchayat to be nominated by the district panchayat of whom at least two shall be the Scheduled Tribes preferably those who are forest dwellers, or who belong to members of the primitive tribal groups, and where there are no Scheduled Tribes, two members who are preferably other traditional forest dwellers, and one shall be a woman member; or in areas covered under the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, three members nominated by the Autonomous District Council or Regional Council of whom at least one shall be a woman member; and
- (d) an officer of the Tribal Welfare Department in-charge of the district or where such officer is not available, the officer in-charge of the tribal affairs.

**8. Functions of District Level Committee.**—The District Level Committee shall—

- (a) ensure that the requisite information under clause (b) of rule 6 has been provided to Gram Sabha or Forest Rights Committee;
- (b) examine whether all claims, especially those of primitive tribal groups, pastoralists and nomadic tribes, have been addressed keeping in mind the objectives of the Act;



- (c) consider and finally approve the claims and record of forest rights prepared by the Sub-Divisional Level Committee;
- (d) hear petitions from persons aggrieved by the orders of the Sub-Divisional Level Committee;
- (e) co-ordinate with other districts regarding inter-district claims;
- (f) issue directions for incorporation of the forest rights in the relevant government records including record of rights;
- (g) ensure publication of the record of forest rights as may be finalized; and
- (h) ensure that a certified copy of the record of forest rights and title under the Act, as specified in Annexures II & III to these rules, is provided to the concerned claimant and the Gram Sabha respectively;

**9. State Level Monitoring Committee.**—The State Government shall constitute a State Level Monitoring committee with the following members, namely :

- (a) Chief Secretary — Chairperson;
- (b) Secretary, Revenue Department — member;
- (c) Secretary, Tribal or Social Welfare Department — member;
- (d) Secretary, Forest Department — member;
- (e) Secretary, Panchayati Raj — member;
- (f) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests — member;
- (g) three Scheduled Tribes member of the Tribes Advisory Council, to be nominated by the Chairperson of the Tribes Advisory Council and where there is no Tribes Advisory Council, three Scheduled Tribes members to be nominated by the State Government;
- (h) Commissioner, Tribal Welfare or equivalent who shall be the Member Secretary.

**10. Functions of the State Level Monitoring Committee.**—The State Level Monitoring Committee shall—

- (a) devise criteria and indicators for monitoring the process of recognition and vesting of forest rights;

- (b) monitor the process of recognition, verification and vesting of forest rights in the State;
- (c) furnish a six monthly report on the process of recognition, verification and vesting of forest rights and submit to the nodal agency such returns and reports as may be called for by the nodal agency;
- (d) on receipt of a notice as mentioned in section 8 of the Act, take appropriate actions against the concerned authorities under the Act;
- (e) monitor resettlement under sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Act.

**11. Procedure for filing, determination and verification of claims by the Gram Sabha.**—(1) The Gram Sabhas shall—

(a) call for claims and authorize the Forest Rights Committee to accept the claims in the Form as provided in Annexure-I of these rules and such claims shall be made within a period of three months from the date of such calling of claims along with at least two of the evidences mentioned in rule 13, shall be made within a period of three months:

Provided that the Gram Sabha may, if consider necessary, extend such period of three months after recording the reasons thereof in writing.

(b) fix a date for initiating the process of determination of its community forest resource and intimate the same to the adjoining Gram Sabhas where there are substantial overlaps, and the Sub-Divisional Level Committee.

(2) The Forest Rights Committee shall assist the Gram Sabha in its functions to—

- (i) receive, acknowledge and retain the claims in the specified form and evidence in support of such claims;
- (ii) prepare the record of claims and evidence including maps;
- (iii) prepare a list of claimants on forest rights;
- (iv) verify claims as provided in these rules;
- (v) present their findings on the nature and extent of the claims before the Gram Sabha for its consideration.

(3) Every claim received shall be duly acknowledged in writing by the Forest Rights Committee.

(4) The Forest Rights Committee shall also prepare the claims on behalf of Gram Sabha for community forest rights in Form B as provided in Annexure I of these Rules.

(5) The Gram Sabha shall on receipt of the findings under clause (v) of sub-rule (2), meet with prior notice, to consider the findings of the Forest Rights Committee, pass appropriate resolutions, and shall forward the same to the Sub Divisional Level Committee.

(6) The Secretary of Gram Panchayat will also act as Secretary to the Gram Sabhas in discharge of its functions.

**12. Process of verifying claims by Forest Rights Committee.**—(1) The Forest Rights Committee shall, after due intimation to the concerned claimant and the Forest Department—

- (a) visit the site and physically verify the nature and extent of the claim and evidence on the site;
- (b) receive any further evidence or record from the claimant and witnesses;
- (c) ensure that the claim from pastoralists and nomadic tribes for determination of their rights, which may either be through individual members, the community or traditional community institution, are verified at a time when such individuals, communities or their representatives are present;
- (d) ensure that the claim from member of a primitive tribal group or pre-agricultural community for determination of their rights to habitat, which may either be through their community or traditional community institution, are verified when such communities or their representatives are present; and
- (e) prepare a map delineating the area of each claim indicating recognizable landmarks.

(2) The Forest Rights Committee shall then record its findings on the claim and present the same to the Gram Sabha for its consideration.

(3) If there are conflicting claims in respect of the traditional or customary boundaries of another village or if a forest area is used by more than one Gram Sabha, the Forest Rights Committees of the respective Gram Sabhas shall meet jointly to consider the nature of enjoyment of such claims and submit the findings to the respective Gram Sabhas in writing:

Provided that if the Gram Sabhas are not able to resolve the conflicting claims, it shall be referred by the Gram Sabha to the Sub-Divisional Level Committee for its resolution.

(4) On a written request of the Gram Sabha or the Forest Rights Committee for information, records or documents, the concerned authorities shall provide an authenticated copy of the same to the Gram Sabha or Forest Rights Committee, as the case may be, and facilitate its clarification, if required, through an authorised officer.

**13. Evidence for determination of forest rights.**—The evidence for recognition and vesting of forest rights shall, inter alia, include.

- (a) public documents, Government records such as Gazetteers, Census, survey and settlement reports, maps, satellite imagery, working plans, management plans, micro-plans, forest enquiry reports, other forest records, record of rights by whatever name called, *pattas* or leases, reports of committees and commissions constituted by the Government, Government orders, notifications, circulars, resolutions;
- (b) Government authorised documents such as voter identity card, ration card, passport, house tax receipts, domicile certificates;
- (c) physical attributes such as house, huts and permanent improvements made to land including levelling, bunds, check dams and the like;
- (d) quasi-judicial and judicial records including court orders and judgments;
- (e) research studies, documentation of customs and traditions that illustrate the enjoyment of any forest rights and having the force of customary law, by reputed institutions, such as Anthropological Survey of India;
- (f) any record including maps, record of rights, privileges, concessions, favours, from erstwhile princely States or provinces or other such intermediaries;
- (g) traditional structures establishing antiquity such as wells, burial grounds, sacred places;
- (h) genealogy tracing ancestry to individuals mentioned in earlier land records or recognized as having been legitimate resident of the village at an earlier period of time;
- (i) statement of elders other than claimants, reduced in writing.

- (2) An evidence for Community Forest Rights shall, *inter alia*, include—
- (a) community rights such as *nistar* by whatever name called;
  - (b) traditional grazing grounds; areas for collection of roots and tubers, fodder, wild edible fruits and other minor forest produce; fishing grounds; irrigation systems; sources of water for human or livestock use, medicinal plant collection territories of herbal practitioners;
  - (c) remnants of structures built by the local community, sacred trees, groves and ponds or riverine areas, burial or cremation grounds;
- (3) The Gram Sabha, the Sub-Divisional Level Committee and the District Level Committee shall consider more than one of the above-mentioned evidences in determining the forest rights.

**14. Petitions to Sub-Divisional Level Committee.**—(1) Any person aggrieved by the resolution of the Gram Sabha may within a period of sixty days from the date of the resolution file a petition to the Sub-Divisional Level Committee.

(2) The Sub-Divisional Level Committee shall fix a date for the hearing and intimate the petitioner and the concerned Gram Sabha in writing as well as through a notice at a convenient public place in the village of the petitioner at least fifteen days prior to the date fixed for the hearing.

(3) The Sub-Divisional Level Committee may either allow or reject or refer the petition to concerned Gram Sabha for its reconsideration.

(4) After receipt of such reference, the Gram Sabha shall meet within a period of thirty days, hear the petitioner, pass as resolution on that reference and forward the same to the Sub-Divisional Level Committee.

(5) The Sub-Divisional Level Committee shall consider the resolution of the Gram Sabha and pass appropriate orders, either accepting or rejecting the petition.

(6) Without prejudice to the pending petitions, Sub-Divisional Level Committee shall examine and collate the records of forest rights of the other claimants and submit the same through the concerned Sub-Divisional Officer to the District Level Committee.

(7) In case of a dispute between two or more Gram Sabhas and on an application of any of the Gram Sabhas or the Sub-Divisional Level Committee on its own, shall call for a joint meeting of the concerned Gram Sabhas with a view to resolving the dispute and if no mutually agreed solution can be reached within a period of thirty days, the Sub-Divisional

Level Committee shall decide the dispute after hearing the concerned Gram Sabhas and pass appropriate orders.

**15. Petitions to District Level Committee.**—(1) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Sub-Divisional Level Committee may within a period of sixty days from the date of the decision of the Sub-Divisional Level Committee file a petition to the District Level Committee.

(2) The District Level Committee shall fix a date for the hearing and intimate the petitioner and the concerned Sub-Divisional Level Committee in writing as well as through a notice at a convenient public place in the village of the petitioner at least fifteen days prior to the date fixed for the hearing.

(3) The District Level Committee may either allow or reject or refer the petition to concerned Sub-Divisional Level Committee for its reconsideration.

(4) After receipt of such reference, the Sub-Divisional Level Committee shall hear the petitioner and the Gram Sabha and take a decision on that reference and intimate the same to the District Level Committee.

(5) The District Level Committee shall then consider the petition and pass appropriate orders; either accepting or rejecting the petition.

(6) The District Level Committee shall send the record of forest rights of the claimant or claimants to the District Collector or District Commissioner for necessary correction in the records of the Government.

(7) In case there is a discrepancy between orders of two or more Sub-Divisional Level Committees, the District Level Committee on its own, shall call for a joint meeting of the concerned Sub-Divisional Level Committees with a view to reconcile the difference and if no mutually agreed solution can be reached, the District Level Committee shall adjudicate the dispute after hearing the concerned Sub-Divisional Level Committees and pass appropriate orders.

ANNEXURE-I

[See Rule 6(1)]

**Government of India  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs**

**FORM-A**

**CLAIM FORM FOR RIGHTS TO FOREST LAND**

[See rule 11 (1) (a)] of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers  
(Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2008]

1. Name of the claimant(s) :
2. Name of the spouse :
3. Name of father/mother :
4. Address :
5. Village :
6. Gram Panchayat :
7. Tehsil/Taluka :
8. District :
9. (a) Scheduled Tribe : Yes/No  
(Attach authenticated copy of Certificate)  
(b) Other Traditional Forest Dweller : Yes/No  
If a spouse is a Scheduled Tribe (attach authenticated copy of certificate)
10. Name of other members in the family with age :  
(including children and adult dependents)

Nature of claim on land :

1. Extent of forest land occupied  
(a) for habitation  
(b) for self-cultivation, if any :  
[See Section 3 (1) (a) of the Act]
2. Disputed lands if any :  
[See Section 3 (1) (f) of the Act]
3. Pattas/leases/grants, if any :  
[See Section 3 (1) (g) of the Act]

4. Land for *in situ* rehabilitation or alternative land, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (m) of the Act]
5. Land from where displaced without land compensation :  
[See section 4 (8) of the Act]
6. Extent of land in forest villages, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (h) of the Act]
7. Any other traditional right, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (1) of the Act]
8. Evidence in support :  
(See Rule 13)
9. Any other information :

**Signature/Thumb Impression  
of the Claimant(s) :**



**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Tribal Affairs**  
**FORM-B**

**CLAIM FORM FOR COMMUNITY RIGHTS**

[See rule 11 (1) (a) and 11 (4) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2008]

1. Name of the claimant(s) :
  - (a) FDST community : Yes/No
  - (b) OTFD community : Yes/No

2. Village :
3. Gram Panchayat :
4. Tehsil/Taluka :
5. District :

Nature of community rights enjoyed :

1. Community rights such as *nistar*, if any :  
[See Section 3 (1) (b) of the Act]
2. Rights over minor forest produce, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (c) of the Act]
3. Community rights :
  - (a) uses or entitlements (fish, water bodies), if any :
  - (b) Grazing, if any :
  - (c) Traditional resource access for nomadic and pastoralist, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (g) of the Act]
4. Community tenures of habitat and habitation for PTGs and pre-agricultural communities, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (e) of the Act]
5. Right to access biodiversity, intellectual property and traditional knowledge, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (k) of the Act]

6. Other traditional right, if any :  
[See section 3 (1) (1) of the Act]
7. Evidence in support :  
(See Rule 13)
8. Any other information :

**Signature/Thumb Impression  
of the Claimant(s) :**

**ANNEXURE-II**

**Government of India  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs**

**TITLE FOR FOREST LAND UNDER OCCUPATION**

[See rule 8 (h) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2008]

1. Name(s) of holder(s) of forest rights (including spouse) :
2. Name of the father/mother :
3. Name of dependents :
4. Address :
5. Village/Gram Sabha :
6. Gram Panchayat :
7. Tehsil/Taluka :
8. District :
9. Whether Scheduled Tribe or Other Traditional Forest Dweller
10. Area :
11. Description of boundaries by prominent landmarks including khasra/compartment No. :

This title is heritable, but not alienable or transferable under Sub-section (4) of Section 4 of the Act.

We, the undersigned, hereby, for and on behalf of the Government of (Name of the State).....affix our signatures to confirm the above forest right.

**Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy  
Conservator of Forests**

**District Tribal Welfare Officer**

**District Collector/Deputy Commissioner**

ANNEXURE-III

**Government of India  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs**

**TITLE TO COMMUNITY FOREST RIGHTS**

[See rule 8 (h) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2008]

1. Name(s) of the holder(s) of community forest right :
2. Village/Gram Sabha :
3. Gram Panchayat :
4. Tehsil/Taluka :
5. District :
6. Scheduled Tribe/Other Traditional Forest Dweller :
7. Nature of community rights :
8. Conditions if any :
9. Description of boundaries including customary boundary and/or by prominent landmarks including khasra/compartament No. :

Name(s) of the holder(s) of community forest right :

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....

We, the undersigned, hereby, for and on behalf of the Government of (Name of the State).....affix our signatures to confirm the forest right as mentioned in the Title to the above mentioned holders of community forest rights.

**Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy  
Conservator of Forests**

**District Tribal Welfare Officer**

**District Collector/Deputy Commissioner**

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