

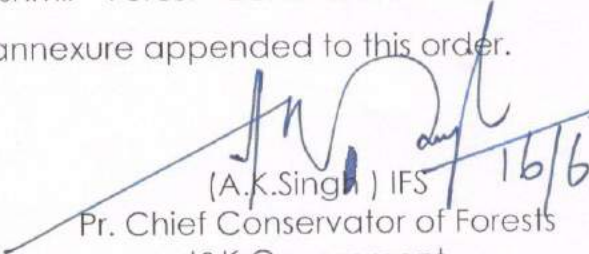
GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
OFFICE OF THE PR. CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
&
CHAIRMAN JAMMU & KASHMIR FOREST BENEVOLENT FUND COMMITTEE

Sub:- The Jammu & Kashmir Forest Benevolent Fund Rules, 1981(Amendment 2016)

Ref:- Minutes of the Meeting on 17.02.2016 issued under Endorsement No, CFC/Estt/Benevolent Fund/341/12-19 dated 01.03.2016.

FOREST ORDER NO. 101 of 2016
DATED 26.06.2016

In pursuance of the powers delegated under Section 11 of the Jammu and Kashmir Forest Benevolent Fund Rules, 1981 and as per the decisions of the Forest Benevolent Fund Committee, sanction is hereby accorded to the adoption of the Jammu & Kashmir Forest Benevolent Fund Rules 1981(Amendment, 2016) as per the annexure appended to this order.


(A.K.Singh) IFS 16/6
Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests
J&K Government,
Chairman
Jammu & Kashmir Forest Benevolent
Fund Committee

No. PCCF/Coord/Benevolent Fund/2995-3034 dt. 20.06.2016

Copy for information and necessary action to the:-

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests Settlement & Demarcation.
3. Chief Conservator of forests, Kashmir.
4. Chief Conservator of Forests Working Plan Research & Training.
5. Chief Conservator of Forests, (FCA).
6. All Conservator of Forests.
7. All Divisional Forest Officers.
8. Chief accounts Officer, Direction Office.
9. Order/Stock/File.

The Jammu & Kashmir Forest Benevolent Fund Rules. 1981
(Amendment, 2016)

1. **Short Title:-** These rules shall be called the Jammu & Kashmir Forest Benevolent Fund Rules, 1981 (Amendment) 2016.
2. **Aims and Objects of the Fund:-** The object of the Fund is to introduce measures for the welfare of all ranks of Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department. This is a Benevolent Fund contributed by, and intended for the benefit of the subscribers and their families/dependents. The resources of the fund shall comprise of contribution by members and voluntary donations.
3. **Objects:-** The objects of the Fund shall, inter-alia include:-
 - (a) Immediate relief up to Rs. 1,00,000/- in each case in the event of accidental death of an in-service subscriber while performing duty to the dependents of the deceased.
 - (b) (i) A grant up to Rs. 25,000/- shall be paid as immediate relief to the subscriber in case of grievous injury during Forest protection or Forestry related activities of the Department.
(ii) A grant up to Rs. 50,000/- shall be paid as immediate relief to the subscriber in case of injury leading to permanent disability while performing official duty.
 - (c) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
 - (d) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
 - (e) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
 - (f) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
4. **Membership:-** All Forest officials and officers shall compulsorily subscribe to the Fund and shall be entitled to the benefits of the Forest Benevolent Fund. A member of the Benevolent Fund on leave or on deputation or under suspension shall continue to be member so long as he continues to contribute to the Benevolent Fund. The subscriptions in the case of deputationists shall be realised by the borrowing units/ organization and remitted to their parent organizations under intimation to the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund Committee.

5. **Subscription:-** Monthly subscription towards the Benevolent fund will be as per rates given below:

S.No.	Category	Amount In Rs.
1	Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests/ APCCF	250.00
2	Chief Conservator of Forests	200.00
3	Conservator of Forests	150.00
4	DCF/ACF	100.00
6	Range Officer/Head Asstt.	75.00
7	Forester/Sr. Asstt.	50.00
8	Dy. Forester	40.00
9	Forest Guard/Jr.Asstt.	30.00
10	Class IV & Equivalent	20.00

6. **Administration of the Fund:** (a) The Fund shall be administered by a committee called the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund Committee.

The Committee may meet at least once in six months.

(b) The J&K Forest Benevolent Fund Committee shall be constituted as under:-

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| 1. Pr.CCF | Chairman |
| 2. Addl. Pr.CCF (Central) | Member |
| 3. CCF Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 4. CF Central Circle | Member Secretary |
| 5. Two CFs and two DFOs to be nominated by Pr.CCF annually. | Members |
| 6. CAO Pr.CCF Office | Member Finance |

(c) **Quorum:** The quorum of the Committee shall be complete if the meeting is attended by the Pr.CCF, at least one Chief Conservator, one Conservator (except CF Central), One DFO, CAO and CF Central. The Pr.CCF may authorize Addl. Pr.CCF, Central to chair the meeting in case of inevitable circumstances.

(d) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)

- (e) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
- (f) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)
- (g) (Deleted vide amendment, 2016)

7 **Financial Resources:** The financial resources for the Benevolent Fund shall be as under:-

- (a) **Monthly subscriptions:** Monthly subscription shall be payable towards the Forest Benevolent Fund by the Forest Officers/officials at the rates prescribed in Section 5 of these rules.
- (b) **Voluntary donations and grants:** Voluntary donations by the officers/officials serving/retired or their families other individuals/organizations and Govt. grants shall be acceptable in the Benevolent Fund.
- (c) **Interest:** Interest accrued on the money available in the Fund.

8. **Accounts:** The accounts of the fund shall be kept with Jammu & Kashmir bank Ltd. under Saving Bank Account. The account shall be opened in the designation of the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund. The Bank accounts shall be operated upon by the Chief Accounts Officer O/o PCCF J&K (Member Finance). The money shall be withdrawn from the Account by the CAO on the authority issued by the Member Secretary in compliance to the decision of the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund Committee. The payments so made should be done under intimation to the Member Secretary.

The subscriptions towards the fund shall be collected by various Drawing & Disbursing Officers every month at the time of disbursement of monthly pay and remitted to the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund. A separate cash book shall be maintained at the Drawing & Disbursing Officer level for the purpose.

The Chief Accounts Officer (Member Finance) shall maintain complete record of cash book, ledger and accounts with respect to all the receipts and release of money with respect to the Benevolent Fund.

Further details with respect to accounts can be issued by the Committee.

9. **Audit of accounts:** The Accounts of the benevolent Fund shall be subjected to Annual Audit by Chief Accounts Officer O/o PCCF J&K.
10. **Amendment to the Rules:-** Amendments to these rules may be made by the J&K Forest Benevolent Fund Committee consistent with the welfare of the staff of the Department and keeping in view the expanding concept of such welfare.
11. **Commencement of the rules:-** These rules (Amended in 2016) shall come into force with effect from 1st July, 2016.


(HITASHI SHARMA)
DFO Urban Forestry Jammu,
Member


(M. A. SHAH)
CAO O/o PCCF
Member Finance


(K. ANANDH, IFS)
CF Working Plan,
Member


(SAMUEL CHANGKIJA, IFS)
CF Central Circle,
Member Secretary

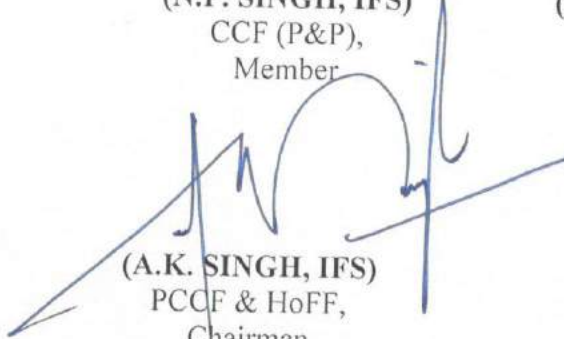

(ABDUL GANI HAJAM, IFS)
CF CAMPA,
Member


(B.M. SHARMA, IFS)
CF East Circle,
Member


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CCF Kashmir,
Member


(N.P. SINGH, IFS)
CCF (P&P),
Member


(ROSHAN JAGGI, IFS)
CCF Jammu,
Member


(A.K. SINGH, IFS)
PCCF & HoFF,
Chairman