



Office of the Divisional Forest Officer
Lidder Forest Division Bijnbehara

The Conservator of Forests,
Kashmir South Circle
Bijnbehara

No. *Sc/Estt/21-22/63-60*

Dated: *24-05-2021*

Subject: Complaint regarding Encroachment of Forest land in Aru Valley.
Reference: 1. PCCF's letter No. PCCF/Lo/Complaint-Ench./AV/SAVE/601-603 Dated: 22.05.2021
2. Your letter No. CFS/2021-22/177-80 Dated: 20.05.2021.

Sir,

*Accepted
Mr. Hama
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In context to the above quoted letter on the captioned subject kindly refer this office letter No. 157/Estt/387-91 Dated: 01.01.2021 and No. SC/Estt/417-21 Dated: 25.01.2021 whereunder it has been submitted that a complaint stands lodged by one Shri Arafat Malik Aru R/o Aru before the committee on Forests encroachments, which stands communicated to the S.D M Pahalgam and Wildlife Warden South Kashmir as the area in question is falling under the administrative control of Wildlife department. It is worthwhile to mention here that the complainant on being called by Wildlife Warden South Kashmir had stated that at least 500 (five hundred) Kanals of Forest land had been encroached upon by the encroachers in Aru Braiden Village who was shown the lists of encroachers of Overa-Aru Wildlife Sanctuary in which the complainant has pin-pointed S.No. 39-41, 42 and 44. As conveyed earlier vide letter No. 904-08/WLWS Dated: 22.01.2021 of Wildlife Warden South Kashmir addressed to the Law Officer O/o the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests J&K Govt. , Jammu communicated vide this office letter No. Sc/Estt/20-21/417-21 Dated: 25.01.2021, the area was covered by heavy snow and also due to implementation of Forest Rights Act, 2006 the eviction process couldn't be done for some time.

Now as the snow has melted with the improvement in weather the process of eviction has again been started against those who have not made any claim under FRA-2006 resultantly an eviction drive was carried out by Wildlife Division South Kashmir with the active assistance of Lidder Forest Division and FPF personals of K-11 on 22.05.2021 and an area of 66.27 Kanals stands evicted from 16 encroachers including the four persons (encroachers) earlier pinpointed by the complainant hence the encroachment stands evicted from the illegal occupants.

Copy of the report furnished by the Wildlife Warden South Kashmir is enclosed for kind perusal.

Yours faithfully

Copy submitted for information and necessary action to the:
Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests J&K Govt. Jammu. This takes reference to his above quoted No. & Date.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests Kashmir Region Srinagar.
3. Deputy Commissioner Anantnag.
4. Wildlife Warden South Kashmir.
5. Law officer O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests J&K Govt. Jammu.

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