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The public will have access to the decisions and minutes taken at the Uttarakhand Tea Development Board meetings. Details are presented in the following format:

1- Name and address of the organization:

Uttarakhand Tea Development Board,

District Panchayat Complex, Dharanaula, Almora.

2- Type of affiliated organization

"Board"

3- Brief introduction of the affiliated organization

Year of establishment 11 February, 2004

Objective —

- ☞ To conduct land survey through an organization for scientific cultivation of tea in the hilly districts of Uttarakhand region.
- ☞ Keeping in view the geographical conditions here, to develop planting material of new advanced varieties for tea cultivation in a scientific manner and to make it available to the farmers and entrepreneurs for tea development in this region.
- ☞ To conduct surveys and promote tea cultivation as organic farming and encourage local farmers and entrepreneurs.
- ☞ To strengthen old plantations which have become extinct/are becoming extinct by renovating them and planting new varieties of plants in these plantations.
- ☞ To provide the services of scientists, managers and supervisors to local farmers and private entrepreneurs in connection with tea development.
- ☞ To increase production by promoting tea cultivation in this region and to encourage increasing its yield by producing improved variety of tea.
- ☞ To promote the development of tea in this area by forming self-help groups with the help of local farmers and inviting private entrepreneurs.
- ☞ To make efforts to provide advanced quality planting material to the local people for their own use and to the farmers who want to cultivate tea by giving them 50 percent subsidy.
- ☞ To provide appropriate assistance by establishing coordination regarding the assistance given by the Indian Tea Board and other institutions.
- ☞ To cultivate tea locally and make available locally produced quality tea.
- ☞ To train local farmers in tea cultivation related to tea.

- To provide information to the plantation owners regarding research work done from time to time regarding research and development.
- To publish news magazines, booklets, science journals etc. for the public interested in research work and other activities being carried out in the institute and tea development taking place in the country and abroad.
- To establish information and public relations offices by liaising with businessmen, farmers and scientists etc.
- To disseminate tea cultivation, technology etc. and seeds, saplings etc. done by the Board to the farmers and to provide training to the farmers and young people interested in tea cultivation in tea cultivation and other processes related to tea.
- To prepare sketches, photographs, video films etc. of Uttarakhand Tea Development Board and use them for documentation, information, dissemination and training.
- To organize symposia, seminars, workshops, etc. on tea development so that an environment can be created for the exchange of scientific facts and other information.
- To impart training in tea development to trainees from India and abroad, which should include scientific aspects related to tea development.
- All the objectives of the organization will be welfare oriented and not commercial.

Main functions of Uttarakhand Tea Development Board: –

Uttarakhand tea was previously unknown in the global market. However, in the past few years, tea produced there has been sold abroad through the Kolkata Auction House. The quality of Uttarakhand tea is being increasingly appreciated abroad, leading to a growing demand for tea. Seeing the global market for Uttarakhand tea, some private entrepreneurs are eager to establish tea plantations in Uttarakhand. So far, approximately 4,000 families have benefited from the Tea Development Program. This program is generating significant employment, with 60-70 percent of these jobs being for women. The implementation of the Tea Development Program in the state's mountainous districts has also promoted tea tourism, providing employment to local youth, halting migration from the region, and strengthening women's empowerment.

4- Role of Affiliated Institution Management Council: The policies and programs of the Board are determined by the Management Council.

5- Form and current members

1- Agriculture Production Commissioner, Uttarakhand Government	chairman
2- Secretary/Additional Secretary, Horticulture, Uttarakhand Government	member
3- Secretary, Finance, Uttarakhand Government	member
4. Secretary, Forest, Uttarakhand Government	member
5- Representative nominated by the Tea Board of India	member
6- Director, Tea Research, Govt. Agriculture and Technology University Pantnagar, Udham Singh Nagar	member
7- Director, Horticulture and Food Processing Mission, Uttarakhand	member
8- Representative of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development	member
9. Director, Uttarakhand Tea Development Board	member secretary
10- Two persons having special experience/knowledge in the field of tea to be nominated by the Governor - Non-official	member

6- Name of the Chief Officer/Director:- Mr. Mahendrapal

7- Addresses of the main office and other branches:-

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8- Frequency of meeting :— Four meetings are held compulsorily in a year.

9- Can the public participate in the meeting? :— No

10- Are minutes of the meeting prepared? :— Yes

11. Can the public obtain the minutes of the meeting? If so, details of the procedure: The minutes of the meeting can be obtained from the headquarters level as per rules.