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UT Secretariat, Ladakh
 Dated:-15.11.2021

Subject: Constitution of District Level and Sub-Divisional Level Committee under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 as amended from time to time and Rules made there under.

Order No:-202-LA (GAD) of 2021
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In exercise of powers conferred by Sub-Sections (3) and (5) of section 6 of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 read with rule 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules 2007 as amended from time to time and S.O. 4266(E) dated 14.10.2021, sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of the District Level Committee and Sub-Divisional Level Committee in the UT of Ladakh with the composition as under:

A. District Level Committee:

1	Deputy Commissioner (concerned) Leh/Kargil	Chairperson
2	District Forest Officer of concerned District	Member
3	Wildlife Warden concerned District	Member
4-6	03 Members of District Panchayats to be nominated by District Panchayats of whom two shall be ST preferably those who are forest dwellers or who belong to primitive tribal groups, where there are no STs ,2 members who are preferably other traditional forest dwellers and one shall be a women member (To be nominated by Concerned LAHDC).	Members
7	District Social Welfare Officer	Member Secretary

Terms of reference of District Level committee shall be to:

- ensure that the requisite information under clause (b) of rule 6 has been provided to Gram Sabha or Forest Rights Committee;
- 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;
- consider and finally approve the claims and record of forest rights prepared by the Sub-Divisional Level Committee;

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- 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;
- h) ensure that a certified copy of the record of forest rights and title under the Act, as specified in Annexures II & III to the rules, is provided to the concerned claimant and the Gram Sabha respectively; and
- i) ensure that a certified copy of the record of the rights to community forest resource and title under the Act, as specified in Annexure IV to these rules, is provided to the concerned Gram Sabha or the community whose rights over community forest resource have been recognized under clause (i) of sub-section (1) of Section 3.

B. Sub-Divisional Committee:

1	Sub-Divisional Magistrate concerned	Chairperson
2	Range Officer/ Block Forest Officer Concerned	Member
3-5	03 members of the Block or Tehsil level Panchayats to be nominated by the District Panchayat of whom two shall be ST preferably those who are forest dwellers or who belong to primitive tribal groups, where there are no STs and one shall be a woman (to be nominated by concern LAHDC).	Members
6	Tehsil Social Welfare Officer of concerned Block/Sub-Division.	Member Secretary

Terms of reference of Sub-Divisional Level committee shall be to:

- 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 needs 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;

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- 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 objectives 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 (form A, B&C) to annexed to Rules.
- m) ensure that the Gram Sabha meetings are conducted in free, open and fair manner with requisite quorum.

The committees shall follow the procedure as prescribed under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules 2008 as amended from time to time for disposal of cases/claims.

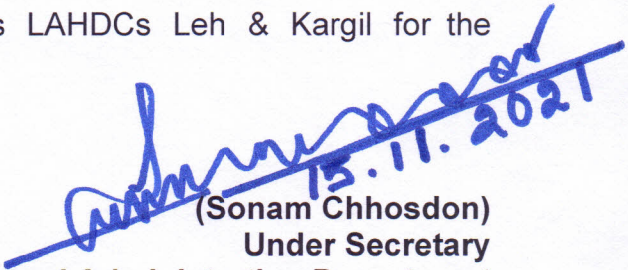
By order of Lt. Governor, Ladakh.

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6. Deputy Commissioner/CEO LAHDC Leh/Kargil.
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