

(Authoritative English Text of this Department Notification No. FFE-B-F(6)11/2005-II,
Dated 7th June, 2013 as required under Article 348(3) of the Constitution of India)

**GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS**

No. FFE-B-F(6)-11/2005-II/ Gobindsagar

Dated Shimla-2, 7th June, 2013

NOTIFICATION

Whereas a Notification under Section 26A of the Wild life (Protection) Act, 1972 (53 of 1972) was issued by the Government vide Notification No.FFE-B-F(6)-18/99 dated 23rd October 1999, to declare **Gobind Sagar as Wildlife Sanctuary** comprising of an area of 100.00 Sq.Km;

And whereas, the matter with regard to rationalization of the Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks in Himachal Pradesh was under consideration of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA No. 139/2010 in Writ Petition Civil No. 337 of 1995 titled Centre for Environmental Law, WWF-I Versus Union of India & Others;

And whereas, in pursuance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 7th May 2010, the State Government issued intention Notifications under Section 18 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 in respect of the Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks for which rationalization had been proposed;

And whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 05/08/201, further directed the State to follow the procedure laid down under Section 18 to 26A and 35 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, before issuance of final Notifications under Section 26A of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, which procedure was duly been followed;

And whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 01/02/2013 passed in IA No. 155 (earlier IA No. 139/2010) has permitted the State Government to issue the final Notifications under Sections 26A, 35(4) & 36A of the Wildlife (Protection)

Act, 1972 with regard to the proposed rationalization of boundaries of Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks in Himachal Pradesh;

And whereas, during the process of rationalization of boundaries of the Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks, Gobind Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary was proposed to be denotified;

Now, therefore, the Governor Himachal Pradesh in exercise of the powers vested in her under Section 26A of the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972, and consequent upon the order dated 1.2.2013 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA No. 155 (earlier IA No. 139/2010) is pleased to denotify the Gobind Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary having an area of 100 sq. km.

By Order

Principal Secretary (Forests) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Endst. No As above

Dated Shimla-2 the 7th June, 2013

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