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To

Addl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary (Forests)
All State Govt./Union territory Administrations

**Sub: Migration of proposals from PARIVESH 1.0 to PARIVESH 2.0 –
Procedure for processing of proposals – reg.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to the refer to the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023 notified by the Central Government on 29.11.2023 and to inform that adverting to the provisions of aforementioned rules, processing authorities in the State/Union territories Administrations and the Regional Offices of the Ministry, have informed that due to migration of existing proposals from PARIVESH 1.0 to PARIVESH 2.0, the process for processing of these proposals is to be taken afresh due to limited data transfer from the PARIVESH 1.0 to PARIVESH 2.0. This situation has created chaos and resentment among the various users. Accordingly, the matter has been examined by the Ministry in consultation with the NIC, MoEF&CC, New Delhi wherein the following is revealed:

- i. Currently there are approximately, more than 12,000 proposals pending for grant of 'in-principle' approval on PARIVESH 1.0 which were considered for migration from PARIVESH 1.0 to PARIVESH 2.0, including the proposals which have already been scrutinized and recommended by the State for their approval to the Central Government.
 - ii. As per the technical limitation, these proposals needs to take the entire process afresh to reach to the level of Central Government.
 - iii. Since these proposals have already competed the scrutiny process, it may be not be prudent to subject them to this process afresh on PARIVESH 2.0.
 - iv. As per the provisions of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, the process of approval has to be completed online.
2. Keeping in view the above situation and after deliberation on curtailing the likely delay due to likely repetition of process on PARIVESH 2.0, the following has been decided by the Ministry in respect of existing proposals on PARIVESH 1.0:

- i. Proposals submitted on PARIVESH 1.0 which have not shown any progress for the past 90 days may be rejected and the concerned user agencies may be informed accordingly. In such proposals if the user agency desires to pursue their proposals for prior approval under the Adhinyam, fresh application shall be submitted on PARIVESH 2.0.
- ii. Proposals submitted on PARIVESH 1.0 which are at various stages of processing on PARIVESH 1.0 may continue to be processed on PARIVESH 1.0. However to adhere the procedures laid down in the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, the minutes of the meeting of Project Steering Committee (PSC), may be attached with part-IV of forms and processing of proposals, involving less than 5 ha of forest area, through

- Conservator of Forests, may be treated inert for procedural/technical purposes.
- iii. Proposals of PARIVESH 1.0 which will be granted 'in-principle' or 'final' approval will be migrated to PARIVESH 2.0 for processing compliance of 'in-principle' approval. Further, the proposals of PARIVESH 1.0, which have already been submitted along with the compliance of 'in-principle' approval and are under process at various authorities in the State Forest Department and State Government/UTs Administrations will also be allowed to be processed on PARIVESH 1.0.
 - iv. Facility to process the proposals on PARIVESH 1.0 will be provided for a period 150 days and after expiry of the said period, all proposals will be migrated to PARIVESH 2.0 for their further processing.
3. The ADG, NIC will make necessary arrangements to integrate PARIVESH 1.0 with PARIVESH 2.0 with the following features :
- i. The outcome of individual cases on PARIVESH 1.0 along with the application form as available on PARIVESH 1.0 be visible on PARIVESH 2.0
 - ii. The search /query on PARIVESH 2.0 will be refined to include in its scope the database of PARIVESH 1.0
 - iii. Arrangements to create link and bridge between PARIVESH 2.0 and 1.0 may be provided to access the detail of PARIVESH 1.0 proposals while working on migrated proposals on the PARIVESH 2.0 and vice-versa.
 - iv. PARIVESH 1.0 shall continue to house the legacy data and continue to exist on the relevant server since it is not possible for the data of PARIVESH 1.0 to migrate to 2.0.

Yours faithfully,

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1. The PCCF (HOFF), All States/UTs
2. Dy Director Generals of Forests (Central), All ROs/SROs of the MoEF&CC
3. Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, All State/UTs
4. ADG NIC, CGO Complex, New Delhi with a request to take action as per above decision
5. Director (Technical), NIC, MoEF&CC with a request to take necessary action to align the PARIVESH portal as per decision mentioned above.
6. Guard File