

Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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To

The Addl. Chief Secretaries of Forests/Principal Secretary (Forests),  
All States Governments and Union territory Administrations

**Sub: Development of new functionalities and their integration in PARIVESH 2.0 – streamlining of online approval process - reg.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the above subject and to inform that various online process flows and modules deployed on PARIVESH 2.0 have been reviewed in the Ministry further refinement in order to curtail unnecessary delays in the online approval process, as envisaged under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980 and the Rules and Guidelines made thereunder.

During the review, it has been observed that many a times proposals, in which EDS has been sought by the Central Government or its Regional Office remains unattended in the account of processing authorities in the State Governments/UT Administrations, causing delay in downward passage of EDS to the authority or agency concerned. It adds up to the cumulative delay in submission of replies to the EDS to the Central Government or its Regional Office. Therefore, in order to curtail such unwarranted delays, an additional functionality of auto forwarding the proposals has been created in the FC module of PARIVESH 2.0. Accordingly, as and when a EDS is raised by the Central Government or its Regional Offices, the authorities concerned in the State Government/UT Administrations will be required to forward the EDS downward or to the intended authority/agency within a period of three days, failing which the proposals will be auto-forwarded to next processing authority.

It is further to inform that a module named 'Accredited Compensatory Afforestation' (ACA) has also been developed and made operational w.e.f. 12.07.2024 for online submission of application. Interested agencies can submit their application online for raising ACA plantation, which can be examined and processed by the local forest department for approval.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State/UTs to kindly take note of the above developments and to direct the concerned authorities to adhere to the time lines prescribed in the Van (Sarnakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to:

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, All States Governments and Union territory Administrations
2. Dy Director General of Forests (Central) All Regional Offices of the MoEF&CC
3. Nodal Officers, dealing with the matters related to the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, All States Governments and Union territory Administrations
4. Head, NIC, MoEFCC with a request to make necessary arrangement in PARIVESH 2.0 to provide weekly reports to the State/UT containing detail of proposals pending beyond time lines prescribed in the Van (Sarnakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.
5. Guard File.