

COURSE GUIDE

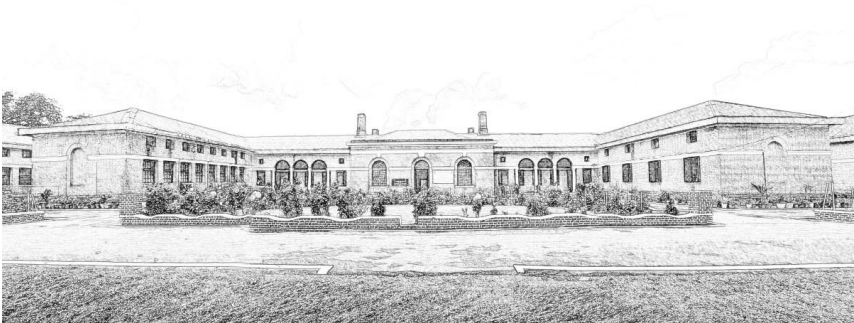
Online Training of In- Service ACFs and RFOs on
'Forestry related Central Legislations'
for the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir

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CASFOS Dehradun



Established in 1981, Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS), Dehradun is a premier Institute under the aegis of Directorate of Forest Education, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, with a mandate of imparting training on forestry, wildlife and environment.

Introduction

Forest and Wildlife of Jammu & Kashmir were managed under specific State legislations which were quite similar to the central statutes in spirit yet had different provisions. However, in the light of J&K Reorganization Act, 2019, most of the central laws have been made applicable in J&K w.e.f. 31-10-2019. Additionally, certain amendments and additions or deletions have also been incorporated creating new offences, providing different penalties and also inserting new set of procedures. It is therefore pertinent to impart training to the forest officers of J&K Forest Department under the new legal paradigm on central laws governing the subjects of forests and the wildlife.

Aim

- To provide knowledge to forest officers of the UT of J&K about Acts, Rules, Notifications and Court Orders governing Forests and Wildlife.
- To enhance interpretation skills to enable them to follow the correct legal procedures.

Designed for

Forest Officers of J&K as 'regulation' is one of their basic function, irrespective of their place of posting.

Facilitators

Both, in-house and guest faculty, who have specialization and experience in the topics concerned.

Course Style

- Five-and-half day workshop
- Trainee-centered
- Experience-sharing and problem-solving
- Emphasis on application of laws
- Peer-learning
- Supported/ Supplemented by – Training Kit (Compendia, text books including important bare acts, etc.)
- Case Studies & Case Laws

Objectives

1. Indian Penal Code (IPC), 1860, Indian Evidence Act, 1872, & Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC), 1973

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- Describe the ‘Legal Principles’ of punishment
- Explain the ‘power of arrest’
- Describe the steps involved in holding of inquiry
- List & describe the Sections of IPC as applicable to Forest Laws
- List & describe the Sections of CrPC as applicable to Forest Laws
- Describe the procedure of ‘receiving’, ‘recording’ and ‘producing’ evidence

2. Indian Forest Act (IFA), 1927 and J&K amendments

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- Describe the Penal Provisions under IFA, 1927 related to RF & PF
- State the measures for prevention of Forest Offences

- List the powers of Forest Officers under IFA, 1927
- Describe the provisions relating to ‘compounding’
- New provisions in J&K amendments
- Carry out a comparative analysis of IFA, 1927 and State Forest Act.

3. Wildlife (Protection) Act (WPA), 1972

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- Explain the relevant Section of WPA
- List the penal provisions of WPA
- Identify the latest amendments to WPA
- Wildlife Crime Scenario and investigation under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972

4. Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- Describe the scope of FCA, 1980 in the light of latest cases
- Explain the orders of Hon’ble Supreme Court in “Godavarman case vis- a-vis FCA”
- Differentiate FCA vis-a-vis FRA, 2006
- Describe the procedure for violations of FCA & penalties thereof
- Judgments related to Forest & Environment

5. National Green Tribunal Act, 2010

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- State the provisions of ‘Green Tribunal Act’
- Describe the mode of the functioning of the ‘Green Tribunal Act’
- Apply judgments of NGT relating to forest and environment.

6. Biological Diversity Act, 2002

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- State the relevant provisions of Biological Diversity Act, 2002
- Describe the structure, composition and functions of ‘authorities’ notified under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002
- Explain the ‘mode of operation’
- Explain the ‘implementation status’

7. Forest Rights Act, 2006

At the end of the Session, participants will be able to –

- Describe the relevant Sections of the Forest Rights Act, 2006
- Explain the procedures laid down in Forest Rights Act, 2006
- State the current status of the Forest Rights Act, 2006
- State the difficulties encountered in implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006

8. Judgments related to Forest & Environment

At the end of the session, participants will:

- Have an understanding of role played by judiciary in conservation
- Have a comprehensive knowledge of important judgment passed by various higher level Courts in India
- Be able to apply the judgements while dealing with legal matters in the field.

9. Wetland Rules

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:-

- Describe the legal provisions for conservation and management of wetlands

Assessment

The priority during the Course is to help participants to develop awareness about the legal and related provisions pertaining to -

- Relevant provision of Indian Penal Code (IPC)
- Indian Evidence Act
- Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC)
- Indian Forest Act (IFA), 1927
- Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
- Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
- National Green Tribunal Act, 2010
- Biological Diversity Act, 2002
- The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

Accordingly, the assessment will be with formal & informal feedback from the participants.



Time table

The various learning activities of the five days training course is scheduled as below:

Date	Session - I	Session- II	Session- III
	0930 – 1100 hrs	1100 – 1230 hrs	1230 – 1400 hrs
2.11.2020 (Monday)	Inauguration	Relevance of CrPC to Forest officers	Relevance of IPC & IEA to Forest officers
3.11.2020 (Tuesday)	Indian Forest Act, 1927	Indian Forest Act, 1927	Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
4.11.2020 (Wednesday)	Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972	Wildlife Crime Scenario and Investigation under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972	Wetland Rules
5.11.2020 (Thursday)	National Green Tribunal Act, 2010: Court Orders	Biological Diversity Act, 2002	Judgements related to Forest & Environment
6.11.2020 (Friday)	Forest Rights Act, 2006	FRA: Case Study	Group Exercise & Presentation
7.11.2020 (Saturday)	Group Exercise & Presentation	Valedictory Session	



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