## GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL, DIRECTORATE OF FORESTS OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (HoFF) WEST BENGAL ARANYA BHAVAN, LA-10A, SALT LAKE, KOLKATA 700098

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## OFFICE ORDER

Whereas a meeting was held sometime back to discuss some of the cardinal issues regarding nursery design and operations, use of quality seeds and potting mixture;

And whereas it has been decided that new hi-tech nurseries will be developed or existing ones expanded under the JICA assisted West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project;

And whereas, it has been unanimously agreed upon in the meeting that that there can neither be any compromise on the quality of seeds used, nor on the potting mixture;

And whereas the decisions taken in the meeting has been circulated to all concern

Now in pursuance of the above, the following orders are being issued

- Under the JICA assisted West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project the High tech Central nurseries should be set up with Root Trainers only as per the design and specifications to be fixed by the experts of the Project Management Consultant
- 2. For developing full fledged Root Trainer nursery, fund from other schemes have to be pooled by the implementing units, if necessary.
- 3. Only "source-identified" seeds, from Seed Stands, or Plus trees marked by Research wing should be collected and used in nurseries. The identity of the seed source should invariably recorded in the plantation journal for future reference
- 4. Heads of Divisional Management Units (DMUs) should ensure that the seeds are collected centrally by forest staff and not through agencies, from the identified seed sources of Research wing only. Silviculture divisions will technically monitor the seed collection and give suitable technical advice if necessary.
- 5. All DMUs should use potting mixtures as prescribed by the experts of Project Management Units, for root trainers.

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to :

- 1. PCCF Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal
- 2. PCCF Research, Monitoring and Development, West Bengal
- 3. PCCF General, West Bengal
- 4. The Chief Project Director, West Bengal Forest & Biodiversity Conservation Project
  - 5. All Addl PCCFs, including Director Sundarban Biosphere Reserve, West Bengal
  - 6. All Chief Conservator of Forests, West Bengal
  - 7. All Field Directors, West Bengal
  - 8. All Conservator of Forests, West Bengal
  - 9. All Divisional Forest Officers, West Bengal. They are requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned ranges

Chief Conservator of Forests, Finance