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Dated: 28 January, 2020

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Department of Forests, Government of Telangana,  
Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad-500004.  
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**Sub: Wood Based Industries (Establishment and Regulation Guidelines, 2016- applicability of the clarification issued to State of Haryana & Punjab - reference received from PCCF, Telangana -regarding.**

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No. Rc.No.19408/2019/Prod.-2 dated 28.12.2019 on the subject mentioned above.

2. In this regard, it is informed that the clarifications issued by the Ministry to the States of Punjab and Haryana vide letters of even number dated 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 (copies enclosed) are applicable to all States/UTs.

Yours faithfully,

Encl.: As Above

(Rohit Tiwari)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests

Copy to : The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Department of Forests,  
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Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

To  
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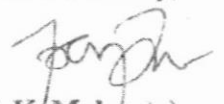
**Subject: Clarification in respect of para-6 (ii) of Gazette notification issued on 12.09.2017, on Amendments to Wood Based Industries (Establishment & Regulation) Guidelines, 2016.**

Sir,

Please refer to your letter to this Ministry, seeking certain clarifications on the abovementioned subject. With respect to para-6 (ii) of the above amendments, following clarifications are made:

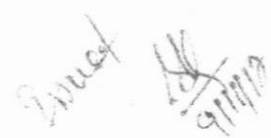
1. Industries/processing plants operating with a band saw, re-saw or circular saw upto thirty centimetre diameter shall not require license.
2. Industries having specialized requirement (as decided by the SLC of the concerned States) and using circular-saw upto 60 cm diameter shall not require license.
3. Industries/processing plants not using round logs of domestic origin shall not require license, irrespective of diameter of the circular saw.
4. Industries/processing plants using round logs of species notified as agricultural produce or exempted from the regime of felling and transit regulations, shall not require license, irrespective of diameter of the circular saw.
5. All wood based industries exempted from licensing, shall be registered with Forest Department.

Yours faithfully,

  
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To  
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**Subject: Corrigendum to the Clarification issued on 08.11.2017 in respect of para-6 (ii) of Gazette notification issued on 12.09.2017, on Amendments to Wood Based Industries (Establishment & Regulation) Guidelines, 2016, and further clarification on location of wood based industries.**

**A. Corrigendum to the clarification issued on 08.11.2017**

a) The clarification at para (1), may be read as:

*"Industries/processing plants not operating with a band saw or re-saw shall not require license. Industries/processing plants operating with a circular saw upto thirty centimetre diameter shall not require license"*

b) The clarification at para (3), may be read as:

*"Industries/processing plants not using round logs of domestic origin shall not require license, irrespective of size and type of saw."*

c) The clarification at para (4), may be read as:

*"Industries/processing plants using round logs of species notified as agricultural produce and/or exempted from the regime of felling and transit regulations in the concerned state/UT, shall not require license, irrespective of size and type of saw."*

**B. Clarification on location of wood based industries in respect of para-5 of Gazette notification issued on 12.09.2017, on Amendments to Wood Based Industries (Establishment & Regulation) Guidelines, 2016**

a) The guidelines on location of wood based industries with respect to nearest forest or PA boundary are applicable to only those wood based industries which require license.

Yours faithfully,

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