

Summary of Working Plan Prescriptions of Middle Andaman Divisions:

- Current Working Plan Period approved up to : 2005-15
- Extension granted upto 30.09.2015 vide CEC's letter No. 1-45/CEC/SC/ 2005-Pt.II dated 09.04.2015, Requested for extension upto 31.03.2017.
- Field works have commenced for revision.

Part-I

It consists of the 6 Chapters and deals with -

Chapter-I:Description of the tract

Chapter-II:The Forests

Chapter III:Utilization of the products

Chapter-IV:Staff and Labour Supply

Chapter -V:Past System of Management

Chapter -VI:Statistics of Growth and Yield

All the information provided are of general nature related to the Forest are in particular to Middle Andaman Forest Division

Part II

It consists of fifteen chapters discussing future management and prescriptions:

Chapter- I: Basis of Proposals:This chapter includes broad, short and long term objectives of sustainable forest management encompassing the ecological, economic and social dimensions in a division and provide broad strategy for attaining the objectives.

Chapter - II: Protection Working Circle

The Protection Working Circle deals with protection aspects of the areas which are subjected not to put under any operation except the works as protective measures. This Working Circle comprises of un-worked forest areas, areas reserved as Tribal Reserve, Water catchments, Banks of Perennial streams & Nallahs, Water reservoirs, Broken/Rugged terrain, Ridges/steep slopes, Small Islands and Islets, Littoral forests, Protected Areas and Denuded slopes, areas prone to soil erosion & natural calamities.

Chapter -III:Eco-Restoration Working Circle

Silvicultural system for regeneration of the harvested areas adopted, giving reasons for its adoption, method of executing the operations and cost of regeneration, calculation & regulation of the yield with the provision for adjustment of extra ordinary felling against future yields are given

Chapter - IV:Plantation Reclamation Working Circle

This Working Circle deals with general constitution and character of vegetation in the plantations raised earlier, extent of area, harvesting and silvicultural operations for eco-restoration, including, marking rules, method of executing the operations, eco-restoration with cost,.

Chapter-V: Mangrove, Littoral Swamp & Coastal Belt Conservation Working Circle

working circle details flora & fauna, past working & present status of the mangroves, objectives of management and methods of treatment with regulations covering protections, conservation of mangrove and coastal belt ecosystem.

Chapter-VI: Wildlife Protection Working Circle

The Working Circle details list of protected areas, account of faunal diversity (animals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish etc.) including marine fauna with endemism in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Brief of important species found in the Division are also mentioned with other status of the species. Past management & present status of wildlife, future management and human-wildlife conflict are also elaborated.

Chapter -VII: Miscellaneous Working Circle

This Working Circle comprises of forest area diverted for non-forestry purposes under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and having status of RF/PF even after diversion, area of Compensatory Afforestation, NRA and Plantation being maintained as Research Plots/Seed Production Area. Area statement.

Chapter-VIII: Canes Overlapping Working Circle

This working circle deals with scientific management augmenting production of cane and collection on a sustained basis

Chapter-IX: Non Timber Forest Produce (Overlapping) Working Circle

It is an overlapping Working Circle that overlaps over the Eco-restoration Working Circle and Plantation Reclamation Working Circle. Management, harvesting & regeneration of canes/ bamboos, methods of treatment for other NTFP like fuel wood, ballies, dhup resin, thatching leaves and medicinal plants are described.

Chapter-X: Eco-Tourism (Overlapping) Working Circle

Eco-tourism Working Circle is an overlapping Working Circle covering of entire forest land of the Division. List of eco-tourism sites, infrastructure & facilities and miscellaneous regulations are given.

Chapter-XI : : Miscellaneous Regulations

A brief on encroachment on forest land, extension forestry, deviations, roads, buildings, maintenance of boundaries, block & compartments, survey & maps and fire protection are given. The details of Marine Crafts, Live stock, Store, tools & Plants and VHF are also mentioned in this chapter.

Chapter-XII, XIII, XVI, XV: It details the Establishment, labour, different Control Forms and Summary of Prescriptions