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Guidelines for issuance of Transit Pass for Converted Timber etc.

In partial modification of para 5 of O.O. no 33-MISC/MKT/2M-173 dt 17.06.2020, it is hereby ordered that:

1. Transit Pass shall be issued in accordance with the West Bengal Forest Produce Transit Rules 2019 for movement and/or transport of converted timber (sawn timber/veneer/ply) and payment of fees as prescribed.
2. As machines for conversion have become more efficient with passage of time, the conversion percentage of a round log into Veneer, Fali and Rolla shall be 70%, 10% and 20% respectively.
3. The average outturn of sawn timber shall be fixed as follows without any change from O.O. no 33-MISC/MKT/2M-173 dt 17.06.2020, i.e.

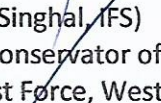
Mid Girth	Species	Average out turn
Above 60 cm	Sal	85% of round volume
	Other species	80% of round volume
Below 60 cm	All Species	75% of round volume

4. For transportation of firewood from jote land produces, no transit pass will be issued to any individual/agency to carry it beyond the boundary of the same district for meeting the local demand of firewood/fuelwood of the district.
5. No Transit Pass for jote land/private lands will be issued during the rainy season , i.e. from 16th June to 15th September in North Bengal and from 14th July to 15th September for South Bengal. However transit of produce felled upto 15th June for North Bengal and 13th July for South Bengal may be allowed with certificate that felling was done before the said date. In case of any special circumstances such as in case of exigency of any government /government sponsored developmental project or in case of financial hardship of owner of the produce, exception shall be made by the DFO/DCF/DFD keeping a record of the reason thereof.
6. The period of validity of a transit pass of round/ raw timber shall be:

Special & A Class category	Two years
Imported timber & Others	One year

If, for any justifiable reason, the concerned DFO/DCF/DFD is satisfied that the above said time period needs to be extended, extension of not more than one month by issuing a fresh transit pass may be done by the DFO/DCF/DFD. In case of lapse of the said extension period, further extension upto six months may be given by the Circle in charge after recording the reason in writing.

This revised order will have immediate effect in all forest divisions of West Bengal.


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