**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA**
**FOREST DEPARTMENT**

Rc.No.PCCF-FC5/FC44/1/2022
FCA Section
Dated: 06-11-2026

O/o the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force)
Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad.

**Sri. Vinay Kumar, I.F.S.,**
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
(Head of Forest Force)(FAC)
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Sub: TGFD – F(C) Act, 1980 – "Guidelines notified by the Central Government under sub-section (3) of section 1 A of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980; Levy of 12 % interest on delayed payment of Compensatory Levies"– Communication of clarification– Regarding.

Ref:- Scientist 'E', GoI, MoEF&CC (FC Divn) New Delhi F.No. FC-11/211/2026-FC(Part-1) Dated 27.10.2026.

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A copy of the reference cited is enclosed herewith.

It is to inform that the Government of India, MoEF&CC (FC Division), New Delhi vide reference cited, has issued clarification on " **levy of 12% per month on delay payment of compensatory levies"** under sub-section (3) of section 1 A of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

All the Circle Heads and District Forest Officers of Telangana State are requested to take necessary action in the matter and also to communicate the said guidelines to the concerned user agencies to follow and for taking necessary action.

Encl: As above.

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for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To,
All the Circle Heads and District Forests Officers.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests(MIS), O/o PCCF(HoFF) TG, Hyderabad. It is requested to upload the FCA guidelines online under relevant heading.

Copy to FCA-1, FCA-2, FCA-3, FCA-4 and FCA-6 seats of FCA Section, O/o PCCF (HoFF), TG, Hyderabad.

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Administrative Officer

F. No. FC-11/97/2026-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
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New Delhi: 110003
Dated: November, 2026

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests)/Principal Secretary (Forests),
All State Governments/UT Administrations

**Sub: Guidelines notified by the Central Government under sub-section (3) of section 1A of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980; Levy of 12% interest on delayed payment of compensatory levies – reg.**

**Madam/ Sir,**

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above regarding the guidelines notified on 29.11.2023 and dated 24.09.2024 regarding the exemption mentioned under clause (a) and clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 1A of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. In this regard, the matter regarding the levy of 12% interest per month on delayed payment of compensatory levies is hereby clarified as follows:

i. The Guidelines envisage grant of approval by the State Government, followed by handing over of the forest land to the user agency for undertaking the project commencement work. The user agency, soon after receiving the approval, within a period of one month, shall have to deposit the compensatory levies into the account of State CAMPA, managed by the National Authority, CAMPA. In case, the user agency fails to make the payment against the demand raised within a period of one month, 12% interest per month shall be levied on the amount not paid in time.
ii. The provision for levy of 12% interest per month on delayed payments, beyond one month, was intended to ensure timely compliance and payment of compensatory levies.
iii. In this regard, it is hereby clarified that the 12% interest per month shall be leviable only in cases where the forest land has been handed over to the user agency and where the payment towards compensatory levies is delayed beyond one month. However, in cases where the possession of forest land has not been handed over to the user agency, then no interest on compensatory levies shall be levied or insisted upon from the user agency by the State Government/UT Administrations.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government/UT Administration to ensure the compliance of above above clarification while implementing the Guidelines dated 24.09.2024 issued by the Ministry .

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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**Encl: As above.**

Yours faithfully,

**(Charan Jeet Singh)**
Scientist 'E'

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Defence/Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, State Forest Department, all States Governments/UT Administrations
3. Dy Director General of Forests (Central), All Regional Offices of the MoEF&CC
4. Nodal Officer (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan), O/o the PCCF, all States Governments/UT Administrations
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