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Plantation Works

46.01 Plantation Works:-

Plantation works are generally carried out as per the prescriptions and method prescribed in the Working Plans of the area. The estimates are prepared on the basis of the norms fixed by the G.R. No. FDM/2007/416/F-2 dated 07.07.2008. Appendix 19

46.02 Important G.Rs. related to Plantation and other related works:-

- (i) For taking up works under EGS/MREGS, latest G.R. No. MREGS-2011/PK-84/EGS-1, dt. 01-11-2011 has been issued by Govt. of Maharashtra. Appendix 20
- (ii) For giving Technical and Administrative sanction to the works under EGS/MREGS/FD/Others, latest (i) GR No. M.S.C.2011/ case no.175/ F-5 dated 30-09-2011 and (ii) G.R. No. MREGS-2011/ PK- 85/ EGS-1/ dt. 03-11-2011 has been issued by the Govt. of Maharashtra. Appendix 10, 21
- (iii) There is distinct paradigm shift in the approach of Forest Department from regulatory to participatory mode in the management of forests. Involvement of Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) is being encouraged by the GOI through SFDA, Campa and other programmes. Accordingly State Govt. has also taken steps to strengthen JFMCs by bringing them under the control of Gram Sabha. They have been delegated powers to govern, protect, use and afforest the areas under their control. Forests within 3 kms. of all existing villages can be managed by the elected JFMCs with each gaathan as unit. The JFMCs have been given right to extract Minor Forest Produce (MFPs). They can also get share of 20% timber produce if they protect the forest efficiently for 5 years. Detailed instructions have been issued by the Govt. vide their G.R. No.FDM/2011/PK-85/EGS-1/dt.05-10-2011. Appendix 22
- (iv) To protect Naturally Regenerated areas and plantation areas of forests, entry of Cattle in forest areas has been regulated *vide* Govt. of Maharashtra's G.R. No. MFP-2011/ PK-248/ F-1, dt. 31-10-2011. Appendix 23

