



Government of Telangana

Supporting Documentation for implementation of Ease of Doing Business Reforms in the State of Telangana

Concerned Department: Forest Department

4a. Construction Permit Enablers

DIPP Point No. 74

Introduce self-certification to replace Tree NOC as long as required replanting activities are complied with.

Compliance Supporting Documentation

URL	http://forests.telangana.gov.in/Documents/EODB/2016EFST_MS30[1].pdf http://forests.telangana.gov.in/Documents/EODB/MIS/Panchayath%20Raj_G.O.Ms.No.17,%20dt.23.02.2016.pdf
GO/ Notification/ Act	<p>GO MS No. 30 Dated 28.05.2016</p> <p>G.O.Ms. No 17 Dated 23-02-2016, The Telangana Water, Land and Trees Rules 2004</p>
Screenshots	Refer column no 4 under Amendments for self-certification to replace Tree NOC
Login Details	NA
Approach to Reform	Government of Telangana has introduced the provision of self-certification for felling exempted trees. If any owner desires to fell a tree, that is exempted, the owner shall only make self-certification to the Divisional Forest Officer, in the Format prescribed with a fee per tree as indicated and proceed to fell the tree. The self-certification application and fees can be made online itself.



Screenshot of Relevant Clause from GO MS. No. 30 for Self-Certification

5. The applicant shall enclose the list of trees existing in the proposed land and trees proposed to be felled in Annexure II in TS-IPASS Common Application Form. If the trees growth proposed to be felled is exempted under WALTA Act/Rule or exempted as per Schedule-II of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, Self-Certificate to this effect in Form-13A prescribed under WALTA 2002 will be sufficient and no further permission for felling and transport of such trees will be required. At present Eucalyptus, Subabool and Casuarina species are exempted from tree felling permission under WALTA/Rules. For trees other than

Self-certification for exempted trees

Screenshot of Relevant Clause from GO MS. No. 17 for Self-Certification

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (1) of section 45 of the Telangana Water, Land and Trees Act, 2002 (Act No.10 of 2002), the Government of Telangana hereby makes the following amendments to the Telangana Water, Land and Trees Rules, 2004 issued in G.O.Ms.No.339, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development (RD-IV) Department, dated 06.11.2004 as subsequently amended from time to time, which were adapted to the State of Telangana vide G.O.Ms.No. 18, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development (RD.II) Department, dated.31-01-2015

AMENDMENTS

In the said rules:

(1) ~~for clause (a) of rule 24, the following shall be substituted, namely:-~~

(4) If any owner desires to fell a tree, that is exempted, the owner shall only make self certification to the Divisional Forest Officer, in the Format prescribed in rules as Form 13(A) with a fee per tree as indicated below and proceed to fell the tree.

- (i) For urban residential and Institutional areas Rs.50/-
- (ii) For urban commercial areas Rs. 100/-

Self-certification for exempted trees

List of Exempted Trees –Available on Department Website
<http://forests.telangana.gov.in/Documents/EODB/ExemptedSpecies.pdf>)



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List of Exempted Species

S.No	Districts	Tree Species		Authority to give permission to fell tree growth
		Scientific Name	Vernacular Name	
1	All Revenue Districts in the State	Citrus Species	Orange and related Species	No permission required, Self-Certification from the applicant is sufficient.
2		Borassus Flabellifera	Tati, Tadi, Palmarah	
3		Casurina equisetifolia	Sarugudu, Saru, Saru	
4		Psidium Guava	Jama, Guava	
5		Prosopis Juliflora	Seema Thumma	
6		Achras sapota	Sapota	
7		Cocos nucifera	Coconut, Kobbari, Tenkai	
8		Anacardium occidentale	Cashew, Jeeo mamidi	
9		Eucalyptus Species	Neelagiri, Jamboil	
10		Leucaena leucocephala	Subabul	
11		Pithecolobium dulce	Seema Chinta	
12		Samania Saman	Rain tree, Nidraganneru	
13	All Revenue Districts except Nalgonda	Syzgium cumini	Nerudu, Jamun, Jone	
14		Ficus Species	Ravi and Related Species	
15	All Revenue Districts in the State	Azadirachta Indica	Neem, Vepa	
16		Acacia Nilotica	Nallatamma	
17	All Revenue Districts except Nalgonda and Schedule Areas	Mangifera indica	Mango, Mamidi	
18	All Revenue Districts except Schedule Areas	Artocarpus Integrifolia	Panasa, Jack Fruit	

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30-05-2016



Complete GO MS No. 30 Dated: 28.05.2016

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT**

FORESTS - Simplified process to accord tree felling permission under WALTA 2002 - Amendment - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 30

Dated: 28-05-2016

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.19, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., Dt.13.05.2016.
2. From the PCCF (HoFF), TS, Hyd., Lr.No.1109/2015/ Prod.2/ TG, Dt.05.05.2016.

ORDER

Government after careful examination of the proposal of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad in the letter 2nd read above, hereby issue the following amendment to Appendix in G.O.Ms.No.19, EFS&T (For.I) Department Dated: 13-05-2016:-

AMENDMENT

For	Read as
<p>5. The applicant shall enclose the list of trees existing in the proposed land and trees proposed to be felled in Annexure-II in TS-IPASS Common Application Form. If the tree growth proposed to be felled is exempted under WALTA Act/Rule, Self-Certificate to this effect in Form-13A prescribed under WALTA 2002 will be sufficient and no further permission for felling of such trees will be required. At present Eucalyptus, Subabool and Casuarina species are exempted from tree felling permission under WALTA/Rules. For trees other than Eucalyptus, Subabool and Casuarina, the details have to be furnished by the applicant under Form-13 prescribed under WALTA/Rules and enumeration list of trees to be felled has to be furnished in Annexure-II. If proposed trees include both exempted and non-exempted tree species under WALTA 2002, Application has to be given in Form-13. For tree species not exempted under WALTA 2002, prior felling permission from Divisional Forest Officer/Designated Officer is required and if such trees are felled without prior permission, the same will tantamount to an offence and the offender will be liable to be punished under provisions of WALTA Act/Rules and Telangana (Forest Produce) Transit Rules/Telangana Forest Act.</p>	<p>5. The applicant shall enclose the list of trees existing in the proposed land and trees proposed to be felled in Annexure-II in TS-IPASS Common Application Form. If the tree growth proposed to be felled is exempted under WALTA Act/Rule or exempted as per Schedule-II of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, Self-Certificate to this effect in Form-13A prescribed under WALTA 2002 will be sufficient and no further permission for felling and transport of such trees will be required. At present Eucalyptus, Subabool and Casuarina species are exempted from tree felling permission under WALTA/Rules. For trees other than Eucalyptus, Subabool and Casuarina, and those exempted as per Schedule-II of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970 the details have to be furnished by the applicant under Form-13 prescribed under WALTA/Rules and enumeration list of trees to be felled has to be furnished in Annexure-II. If proposed trees include both exempted and non-exempted tree species under WALTA 2002 or Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, application has to be given in Form-13. For tree species neither exempted under WALTA 2002 nor Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, prior felling permission from Divisional Forest Officer/Designated Officer is required and if such trees are felled without prior permission, the same will tantamount to an offence and the offender will be liable to be punished under provisions of WALTA Act/Rules and Telangana (Forest Produce) Transit Rules/Telangana Forest Act.</p>

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<p>5. The Applicant shall submit online "Certificate of Ownership of Tree/Forest Produce" proposed to be felled from the concerned Tahsildar in the <u>Annexure-IV</u> required under Rule 5(3) of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, while applying for tree felling permission under TS-IPASS Common Application Form. Certificate of Ownership of Tree/Forest Produce from Tahsildar is not required, if proposed trees are exempted under WALTA 2002. On successful filing of online application along with required certificate/enclosures on TS-IPASS, an SMS alert will be sent to the concerned Divisional Forest Officer and simultaneously to the applicant as well.</p>	<p>6. The Applicant shall submit online "Certificate of Ownership of Tree/Forest Produce" proposed to be felled from the concerned Tahsildar in the <u>Annexure-IV</u> required under Rule 5(3) of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970, while applying for tree felling permission under TS-IPASS Common Application Form. Certificate of Ownership of Tree/Forest Produce from Tahsildar is not required, if proposed trees are exempted under WALTA 2002 <u>or those exempted as per Schedule-II of Telangana Forest Produce (Transit) Rules, 1970.</u> On successful filing of online application along with required certificate / enclosures on TS-IPASS, an SMS alert will be sent to the concerned Divisional Forest Officer and simultaneously to the applicant as well.</p>																														
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2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

VIKAS RAJ
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

All the District Collectors in the State.
The Industries and Commerce Department.
The PR&RD Department.
The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Dept.
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Complete GO –Walta Amendment (GO MS. No. 17 Dated 23.02.2016)

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Rural Development – The Telangana Water, Land and Trees Rules, 2004 –
Amendment – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 17

Dated: 23/02/2016

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.18, PR & RD (RD.II) Dept., dt.31-01-2015.
2. Note from the Secretary, EFS&T Dept, dt.7-12-2015.
3. From the Director, RD, Lr.No.34/SLNA-TS/APWALTA/2015, dated:14-12-2015.

ORDER:

The following Notification will be published in an Extraordinary Issue of the Telangana State Gazette, dated:26.02.2016.

2. The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase, Telangana State, Hyderabad is requested to supply 100 copies of the notification to the Department.

NOTIFICATION

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AMENDMENTS

In the said rules:

(1) for clause (4) of rule 24, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(4) If any owner desires to fell a tree, that is exempted, the owner shall only make self certification to the Divisional Forest Officer, in the Format prescribed in rules as Form 13(A) with a fee per tree as indicated below and proceed to fell the tree.

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| (i) For urban residential and Institutional areas | Rs.50/- |
| (ii) For urban commercial areas | Rs. 100/-” |

(2) after clause (4) of rule 24, the following sub-clause shall be added, namely:-

“(4)(a) If any owner desires to fell a tree, that is not exempted from obtaining transit permit under Andhra Pradesh Forest Produce Transit Rule, the owner shall inform to the Divisional Forest Officer in the Form 13 as prescribed in rules, of the intentions to fell a tree with a fee per tree as indicated below.

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(3) for clause (5) of rule 24, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

¶5) On receipt of such application form, the applicant, the Designated Officer shall complete all necessary pre-requisite action to issue permission for felling within (3) days from the date of submission of application. In case the designated authority does not intimate the final decision on the application, it shall be deemed that the applicant is authorised to fell the tree as requested in his application. In case of applications categorized as high risk, Divisional Forest Officer shall be the designated authority. In other cases, concerned Forest Range Officer shall be the designated authority.

High risk is defined as that involves the following type of trees

- Teak
- Rose wood
- Red Sanders
- Sandalwood

or that involves felling of more than 20 non exempted trees / per acre. Deemed approval does not bestow any right on the applicant to transport the felled tree. Permission to transport a non-exempted tree is mandatory.

Provided further that, if the tree permitted to be felled is not exempted from purview of Forest Produce Transit rules, the Designated Officer/Owner shall inform the concerned Divisional Forest Officer for grant of transit permit and the owner shall not transport felled material without a valid permit."

(4) for clause (6) of rule 24, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

¶6) The Designated Officer shall dispose the application within three days from the date of receipt of application by the owner / applicant."

(5) for clause (1) of rule 26, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

¶1) Whoever contravenes/violates any of the provisions of this act shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than Rs.1000/- but which may extend to Rs.5000/-."

(6) for clause (2) of rule 26, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

¶2) For felling of non-exempted and prohibited trees without prior permission, whether deemed or issued shall be punishable with a fine which shall not be less than two times the value of such tree, but which may extend upto 5 times of the value of such tree."

(7) for Form 13 appended to the said rules, the following Form shall be substituted, namely:-

* Form 13
(see rule 24)

Application for permission for felling trees

I, Sri _____ S/o. _____ Aged _____
R/o. (Address) _____ request you to please permit me to fell the
following tree / trees in my premises/land/plot as given below:

1. Address/location of premises/land/ plot:

- a) Survey No./Plot No./Door No.
- b) Village/Street

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- c) Mandal/Municipality/Municipal Corporation.
- d) District
- e) Contact Number of applicant
- f) e-mail of applicant
- g) Latitude and Longitude of premises

2. Category of Premises:

- a) Residential
- b) Institutional
- c) Commercial
- d) Agriculture
- e) Industrial
- f) Others- specify

3. Area of the premises:

4. Number of trees and species proposed to be felled:

Species	No. of Trees existing in the premises/plot	No. Of trees proposed for felling	Whether exempted from WALTA or not.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

5. Age (approximate) of the tree proposed to be felled:

6. Reason for proposing to fell the tree/trees:

7. Photo I.D. of Applicant: PAN/Aadhar/Voter I.D./Driving License/Passport:

8. Certificate of Title and ownership of the tree from concerned

MRO enclosed: YES/NO

9. Details of the payment of fee for tree felling:

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the species and other details of trees as disclosed above are correct to the best of my knowledge and other information furnished above is true and correct.

I undertake that I shall replant immediately tree / trees in place of the trees felled as per T.S. WALTA Rules, failing which, plants will be raised by the Authority/Designated Officer at my cost."

Place:

Name of the Applicant

Date:

Signature

(8) after Form 13, the following Form shall be inserted, namely:-

* Form 13 A
(see rule 24)

Application for permission for felling exempted trees

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Place:

Name of the Applicant

Date:

Signature

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

S. P. SINGH

SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director, PR&RD, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The CEO, SERP, Telangana, Hyderabad.

All members of the Committees Constituted under TSWALTA (Through Director, RD)

All District Collectors in the State (Through Director, RD)

All Project Directors, DWMA/DRDA in the State (Through Director, RD)

The Commissioner, TSIPARD, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

The Director, Ground Water Department, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase (Printing Wing)

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The PS to Secretary to Government, EFS & T Department.

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The PS to Secretary to Government, Industries Department.
The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranyabhavan, Telangana, Hyderabad.
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