

## **FAQ'S**

### **1. What are the 24X7 Helpline/Contact numbers in case of wildlife related complaint/news in Goa?**

**North Goa: 0832-2228772**

**South Goa: 0832-2750246  
0832-2751462**

### **2. Who should be contacted to get permission for entering / trekking in National Park / Sanctuary?**

- a. For Bhagwan Mahavir National Park & Sanctuary
- b. Bondla Wildlife Sanctuary
- c. Dr. Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary, Chorao
- d. Madei Wild Life Sanctuary

**Please Contact: Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Wildlife & Eco-tourism North  
1<sup>st</sup> Lift , 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Junta House  
Panjim, Goa -403 001  
Phone: 0832-2229701  
Email : dcfwnorth-forest.goa@nic.in**

- a. For Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary
- b. Cotigao Wildlife Sanctuary

**Please Contact: Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Wildlife & Eco-tourism South  
Forest Complex, Aquem Margao  
Phone: 0832-2756980  
Email : dcfwlsouth-forest.goa@nic.in**

**Or**

**The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
and  
Chief Wildlife Warden,  
Gomantak Maratha Samaj Building,  
S.V.Road, Panaji, Goa-403001  
Phone: 0832-2424352  
Email: pccf-fore.goa@gov.in**

**3. What are the grounds for which entry into National Park can be allowed?**

The Competent authority may grant permission for following purposes, namely:-

- a. investigation or study of wildlife and purposes ancillary or incidental thereto
- b. Photography
- c. Scientific research
- d. Tourism

**4. Who is exempted from requirement of permission for entry into sanctuary / National Park?**

- a. A public servant on duty.
- b. A person who has been permitted by the Chief Wildlife Warden or the authorized officer to reside within the limits of the sanctuary.
- c. A person who has any right over immovable property within the limits of the sanctuary.
- d. Dependants of the person referred to in clause (a), clause (b) or clause (c.)

**5. What are the precautions to be taken within National Parks / Sanctuaries?**

Every person should help:

- a. To prevent the commission, in the sanctuary, of an offence against Wild Life Protection Act, 1972.
- b. where there is reason to believe that any such offence against Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 has been committed in such sanctuary, to help in discovering and arresting the offender
- c. to report the death of any wild animal and to safeguard its remains until the Chief Wild Life Warden or the authorized officer takes charge thereof
- d. to extinguish any fire in such sanctuary of which he has knowledge or information and to prevent from spreading, by any lawful means in his power, any fire within the vicinity of such sanctuary of which he has knowledge or information and
- e. to assist any Forest Officer, Chief Wildlife Warden, Wild Life Warden or Policy officer demanding his aid for preventing the commission of any offence against this Act or in the investigation of any such offence.

## 6. Where can I get seedlings from the forest department?

North Goa Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Dharbandora (Collem Sanguem)	0832-2600271
2	Veluz (Valpoi)	0832-2374223
3	Keri (Sanquelim)	0832-2364931
4	Tisk (Usgao)	0832-2317822
5	Tuem Pernem	0832-2201367
South Goa Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Aquem (Margao)	0832-2750246
2	Ozrem (Canacona)	0832-2643348
3	Condimoll Balli (Quepem)	0832-2662214
Social Forestry, Parks & Garden Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Pali (Usgao)	07798986168
2	Forest Colony (Ponda)	08332959917
3	Quepem	07798986129
4	Panaji (Campal)	07798986167
Research & Utilisation Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Gotmod (Ponda)	07798986155
2	Valkini (Sanguem)	07588484428
3	Chorao (Panjim)	07798986181
Soil Conservation Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Valkini (Sanguem)	09822139057
2	Dhawali (Ponda)	0832-2312793
3	Bhironda (Satari)	09420766216
North Wildlife & Eco-tourism Division		
Sr.No.	Location of Nursery	Mobile/Contact No.
1	Bondla, Ponda	0832-2935800
2	Campal, Panaji	0832-2228772

## 7. What are the rates applicable the various kind of seedlings?

Sr. No	Particulars	Approved Rate (Rs.)
1	Seedling of Forestry Species (Raised in 5"X8" polybag) One year old	12/-
2	Seedling of Forestry Species (Raised in 8"X12" polybag) One year old	15/-
3	Seedling of Forestry Species (Raised in 5"X8" polybag) Two year old	15/-
4	Seedling of Forestry Species (Raised in 8"X12" polybag) Two year old	20/-

## 8. How do I get Tree Felling Permission?

Apply for Tree Felling permission in **FORM B** along with other required documents as mentioned in the Form B and submit to Tree Officer designated in the Territorial Forest Division at following address:

**North Goa:**                      **Deputy Conservator of Forests North  
Forest Complex, Ponda  
Phone: 0832-2312095  
Email : dcfnorth-forest.goa@nic.in**

**South Goa:**                      **Deputy Conservator of Forests South  
Forest Complex, Aquem, Margao  
Phone: 0832-2756309  
Email : dcfsouth-forest.goa@nic.in**

## 9. What are the desired documents to be attached with tree felling application?

- a. Property/Occupancy documents.
- b. Plan of the property showing the survey number.
- c. Enumeration list (duly signed by the applicant).
- d. Boundary list (duly signed by the applicant).
- e. Latest index of land record issued by the Mamlatdar.
- f. N.O.C from Administrator of Comunidade.
- g. N.O.C from adjoining property owner

## 10. What are the different types of Transit passes applicable for transportation of different Forest produce in Goa?

Sr. No	Type of Transit Passes	Colour of Pass	Approved Rate (Rs.)
1	Timber, Firewood and M.F.P from Government Forests after purchase by private parties, Institutions or Government department	White	50/-
2	Timber, Firewood or other Forest Produce including M.F.P for dastan and storage and transit to saw mill below 2 Cu.m.	Pink	40/-
3	Timber, Firewood or other Forest Produce including M.F.P for dastan and storage and transit to saw mill above 2 Cu.m.	Pink	100/-
4	Firewood and other M.F.P from private areas	Green	100/-
5	Timber & poles from private areas	Yellow	200/-

## 11. How do I get Transit pass?

Apply for Transit pass along with applicable fees to the Deputy Conservator of Forests of respective Territorial Forest Division at following address:

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Email : dcfnorth-forest.goa@nic.in**

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## 12. What is the legal binding of identifying Private Forests in Goa?

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its landmark order in T.N. Godavarman Thirumulpad v. Union of India Case dated 12.12.1996 directed all the States of India to:

- (A) Identify areas which are "Forests" irrespective of whether they are so notified, recognized or classified under any law, and irrespective of the ownership of the land of such forest;
- (B) Identify areas which were earlier forests but stand degraded, denuded, or cleared; and
- (C) Identify areas covered by plantation trees belonging to Private persons.

Pursuant to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's order, the Government of Goa has undertaken the task of identification and demarcation of Private Forests in Goa.

## 13. What are the Criteria for identifying Private Forest in Goa?

The criteria to identify Private Forests in Goa are as follows:

- (a) 75% of tree composition should be the forestry species,
- (b) The area should be contiguous to the Government forest and if in isolation, the minimum area should be 5 Ha,
- (c) Canopy density should not be less than 0.4.

## **14. What is the process of identification and demarcation of Private Forests in Goa?**

### **Stage I**

- a. Information on sites having potential patches of forests is collected from various sources, and accordingly google maps with survey numbers are acquired.
- b. The Committee visits the sites and visually observes if the criteria of composition and crown density are met, and the patch is taken up for survey to check the area.

### **Stage II**

- a. A meeting with the stakeholders is held to explain the process of boundary clearance and survey, and removal of doubts, so as to avoid uninformed obstruction to clearance of boundary line, or survey work.
- b. The boundary between the forest and non-forest area is cleared.
- c. The potential private forest is surveyed, plan is prepared and area of private forest is computed to verify the area criterion.

### **Stage III**

- a. Objections of the owners will be heard and decided, and demarcation will be finalized.
- b. Area of forest in each survey number will be assessed and final report submitted to the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests for onward submission to the Government.

## **15. What is State CAMPA?**

State CAMPA is an instrument to accelerate activities for compensatory afforestation, Forest resource management preservation of natural Forest, management of Wild life, infrastructure development in the Forestry sector and allied works.

## **16. What are the functions of state CAMPA?**

1. Funding, overseeing and promoting Compensatory Afforestation done in lieu of diversion of forest land for non-forestry use under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
2. Overseeing forest and wildlife conservation and protection works within forest areas undertaken and financed under the Fund.

## **17. What is the difference between “Ad-HOC” CAMPA and State CAMPA?**

Ad-HOC CAMPA operates at the National level, while State CAMPA operates at the State level.

### **18. Is State CAMPA a society or an SPV or a Govt. organization?**

The State CAMPA can be considered as a Special Purpose Vehicle which provides an integrated frame work for utilizing multiple sources of funding and activities related to protections and management of forest wildlife.

### **19. How does the State CAMPA function?**

The state CAMPA functions under a three tier governance structure. At the apex level, it is guided by a Governing Body under the Chairpersonship of Honourable Chief Minister. At another level, the Steering Committee under the Chairpersonship of the Chief Secretary, approves the Annual Plan of Operations and monitors the progress of utilization of funds. Day to day execution is supervised by the Executive Committee functioning under the Chairpersonship of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests. The Executive Committee prepares the APO and is responsible for supervision of the work and submission of accounts.

### **20. From where does the State CAMPA get its funds?**

The amounts realized from the user agencies as statutory levies (like Compensatory Afforestation, Additional Compensatory Afforestation, Penal Compensatory Afforestation, Catchment Area Treatment Plans, Net Present Value, Wildlife Schemes, Soil and Water Conservation Schemes, Reclamation Schemes etc.) under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are deposited into the account of State CAMPA. These accounts are controlled by the Ad-Hoc CAMPA. This is a common pool account in which all such levies are deposited. The Ad-Hoc CAMPA releases funds to the State CAMPA based upon its Annual Plan of Operations (APOs), duly approved by the Steering Committee.

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