

Government of the <sup>1</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa]  
Environment Department

Notification  
*Peshawar, dated the 13/01/2005*

**No. SO(Tech)ED/V-595/2003/KC:-**

In exercise of the power conferred on him by section 11 of the <sup>2</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Forestry Commission Act, 1999, (<sup>3</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Act No. XV of 1999), read with section 5 thereof, the Government of <sup>4</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] is pleased to make the following rules for the organization and function of the Forestry Round Table in <sup>5</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] namely:

**1. Short title and commencement:-**

These rules may be called the <sup>6</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Forestry Round Table Rules, 2004.

**2. Definitions:-**

In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- (a) "Act" means the <sup>7</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Forestry Commission Act, 1999 (<sup>8</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Act No. XV of 1999);
- (b) "Appendix" means the Appendix appended to these rules;
- (c) "Committee" means the committee constituted under these rules;
- (d) "Forest Offence" means an offence as defined in clause (17) of section 2 of the <sup>9</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Forest Ordinance, 2002 (<sup>10</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Ord. No. XIX of 2002)
- (e) "Director" means the Director of "Planning and Monitoring, Human Resource Development or as the case may be, the Director of Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development;

**3. Composition of Forestry Round Table: -**

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<sup>1</sup> Subs. by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Act No. IV of 2011  
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<sup>10</sup> Subs. by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Act No. IV of 2011

(1). Government shall, on the recommendation of the committee consisting of the following constitute the Forestry Round Table comprising not more than fifty one member amongst various stakeholder as per detail given in appendix:-

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| (i)   | Secretary to the Government of <sup>11</sup> [Khyber Pakhtunkhwa], Environment Department | Chairman |
| (ii)  | Chief Conservator of Forest.  | Member   |
| (iii) | All Conservators of Forest in Forestry Department.  | Members  |
| (iv)  | Directors.  | Members  |

- (2) Government may review composition of the Forestry Round Table from time to time.
- (3) Subject to rule 6, the term of member of the Forestry Round Table shall be three years.
- (4) Government may prematurely disband a Forestry Round table, if it is convinced that Forestry Round Table is not performing its functions properly.

**4. Criteria for membership:-**

Persons possessing the following qualifications shall be eligible for membership of Forestry Round Table:

- (i) A genuine stakeholder;
- (ii) Having good repute and character;
- (iii) Not having criminal record or involvement in moral turpitude;
- (iv) Not convicted in any criminal case;
- (v) Not believed to have been directly and indirectly involved or incriminated in any forest offense or illegal forest activities and trade;
- (vi) At least matriculate;
- (vii) Not mentally and physically handicapped;
- (viii) Not less than 25 years of age;

**5. Function of the Forestry Round Table:-**

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<sup>11</sup> Subs. by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Act No. IV of 2011

The Forestry Round Table shall perform such functions as provided in section 6 of the Act

**6. Termination of membership:-**

- (1) A member shall cease to be member of Forestry Round Table on tendering resignation in written, or death of the member or on termination of the membership in any of the following cases:
  - (i) Where member fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Forestry Round Table without acceptable excuse;
  - (ii) Where a member is involved in case of a forest offense;
  - (iii) Where a member has been convicted by a competent court in a criminal offense;
  - (iv) Where a member is found working in detriment to cause in violation of these rules;
  - (v) Where a member has committed gross misconduct, during the course of official meetings of the Forestry Round Table, provided that before passing an order, the Secretary to the Government of the North-West Frontier Province Environment Department shall give him a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the action;
- (2) In case given at (i) to (v) or on death or tendering, resignation by a member, Administrative secretary shall notify the termination of membership accordingly.

**7. Secretariat: -**

Office of the Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development shall function at Secretariat to the Forestry Round Table.

**8. Meetings: -**

- (1) Meeting of the Forestry Round Table shall be convened by the Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development,<sup>12</sup>[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa] Forest Department with the approval of the Administrative Secretary.
- (2) Agenda for each meeting shall be framed by Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development in consultation with Administrative Secretary.

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<sup>12</sup> Subs. by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Act No. IV of 2011

- (3) For each meeting of the Forestry Round Table chairperson shall be elected on the basis of simple majority of the members attending the meeting.
- (4) Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development shall act as secretary to Forestry Round Table.
- (5) Decisions in the meeting shall be taken on the basis of simple majority.
- (6) The Secretary shall keep record of proceedings.
- (7) The Forestry Round Table shall meet at least once during each quarter.

9. **Quorum: -**

The quorum of the meeting of the Forestry Round Table shall be 50% of the total membership including two-third of ex-office members.

10. **Miscellaneous: -**

- (1). No Traveling Allowance/Daily Allowance etc. shall be admissible to the members attending the meeting.
- (2). The Forestry Round Table may make efforts to generate its funds through donations, contributions by its members or other stakeholder.
- (3). The funds generated under sub-rule (2) above, shall be deposited in an account operated in the name of the Forestry Round Table by the Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development.
- (4). All the expenditure incurred on the function and working of Forestry Round Table will be met out of this fund. The account of which shall be maintained by the Director Community Development, Extension and Gender and Development.

11. **Audit: -**

- (1). Annual audit of accounts and expenditures incurred out of this fund shall be conducted by three members committee constituted by Forestry Round Table out of the members of Forestry Round Table.
- (2). Audit report shall be presented in meeting of Forestry Round Table by committee for discussion and approval.
- (3). The tenure of audit party shall be for one year, where after a fresh audit party shall be constituted.

**Appendix**  
(See Rule 3)

<b>S. No</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Region/Location</b>
1	Forest Owners	Hazara/Malakand
2	Non Owners/Users	Hazara/Malakand/ Southern Districts
3	Tree Farmers	Southern Districts
4	Women	
5	NGOs	
6	Wood Based Industries	
7	President Forest Officers Association	
8	President Forest Rangers Association	
9	President Deputy Rangers/ Foresters/ Forest Guards Association	
10	President Timber Contractors Association	Malakand/Hazara
11	Forestry Consultant	
12	Environmental Journalist	
13	Representative of Ministry of Environment Govt. of Pakistan	
14	Outstanding Officers of NWFP, Forest Department	
15	Representative of Tourism Department NWFP.	
16	Representative of Planning and Development Department Govt. of NWFP	
<b>Ex-Officio Members</b>		
17	Chief Conservator of Forests, NWFP, Forest Department.	
18	Managing Director, Forest Development Corporation, NWFP.	
19	Conservator Wildlife, NWFP Wildlife Department	
20	Director Fisheries, NWFP Fisheries Department.	
21	Director General, Environmental Protection Agency NWFP	
22	Director General, Agriculture Extension Department NWFP	
23	Director, Livestock and Dairy Development Deptt: NWFP	

**Secretary to Govt. of The**  
<sup>13</sup>**[Khyber Pakhtunkhwa]**  
**Environment Department**

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