

Government of Manipur
Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
Sanjenthong: Imphal

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Imphal, the 8th September, 2025

Subject: Prevention and Control of Forest Fires - reg.

No. 8/3/2025/Forests(Fire): As forest fire season is approaching, all Territorial DFOs are directed to maintain strict vigilance within their respective jurisdictions to prevent forest fires which cause significant damage to forests, forest regeneration, plantations, wildlife and biodiversity, and lead to humongous loss of invaluable State's natural resources.

2. All Territorial DFOs must sensitize their staff to remain alert and take proactive measures to prevent fire incidents by maintaining constant surveillance, especially in vulnerable areas; preparing and maintaining fire lines, particularly around younger plantations, ensuring readiness for prompt response in case of any fire outbreak etc. The forest divisions more prone to forest fires may set up Temporary Camps near vulnerable areas with frontline field staff and rotate their duties in daily shifts.

3. A special and intensive campaign shall be launched to raise awareness regarding the serious impacts of forest fire and its other adverse effects on the weather and environment conditions, soil health, moisture, agriculture production etc. The support and participation of JFMCs, Panchayats, Village Authorities, and local communities should be actively sought to ensure effective monitoring and prevention of forest fire.

4. Additionally, dedicated firefighting teams must be constituted at the Divisional, Range, and Beat Office levels to respond swiftly and efficiently to any fire incidents.

5. In addition to above mentioned precautionary measures; all concerned officials are to take strict legal action against individuals responsible for deliberately setting forest fires including booking the offender under relevant provisions of the Acts & Rules and also filing FIRs against the perpetrators.

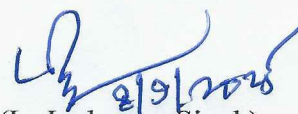
These instructions are to be strictly complied with **by all concerned.**

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All Territorial DFOs

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