Government of Jammu and Kashmir Tourism Department, Civil Secretariat, J&K

Subject:- Providing of timber in favour of registered Houseboat Owners and Shikara Owners on concessional rates.

Ref: I- Administrative Council Decision No. 84/6/2022 dated 08.06.2022.

II- Concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O No. 43713/FD-BDGTOD-21/10/2021-03 dated 01.09.2021 and Forest Department in the departmental file No. TSM-Estb/23/2021 dated 21.09.2021.

III- Concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O No. 46200/FD-BDGTOD-21/12/2021-03 dated 26.05.2022 and Forest Department in the departmental file No. TSM-Estb/104/2021 dated 10.11.2021.

Government Order No:86-JK(TSM) of 2022 D A T E D: 24 -06-2022

Sanction is hereby accorded for:-

- a. Providing of timber (Deodar) for minor/periodical repairs for maintenance/upkeep of houseboats on 50% concessional rates upto maximum of 70% of requirement or upto maximum of 30 CFT by the Forest Department, whichever is less. The timber shall be provided once in 06 (six) years to a particular registered houseboat only after thorough verification/ assessment by Director Tourism Kashmir justifying each case.
- b. Providing of timber (Deodar) for <u>reconstruction/ major repair</u> of <u>houseboats</u> on one time basis on 50% concessional rates upto maximum of 70% of the requirement or upto maximum of 80 CFT, whichever is less. Each case shall be thoroughly assessed and authenticated by Director Tourism Kashmir. Moreover, the cases wherein major repair/ reconstruction of houseboats is required, are few in number.
- c. Providing of timber (Deodar) for <u>periodical repairs/ maintenance</u> of registered <u>taxi</u> <u>Shakaras</u> on 50% concessional rates by the Forest Department to a maximum of 70% of requirement or upto maximum of 15 CFT, whichever is less. The timber shall be provided once in 05 (five) years to a particular taxi shikarawala only after thorough verification/ assessment by Director Tourism Kashmir justifying each case.

This shall be subject to the following:-

i. Eligible House Boat Owners and Shikarawalas identified by Director Tourism Kashmir can purchase timber through e-auction.

ii. The timber shall be provided through e-auction once in 06 (six) years in case of houseboat owners and 05 (five) years in case of shikara owners after thorough verification/ assessment by Director Tourism Kashmir (DTK) justifying each case.

iii. The revenue targets of the JKFDCL will be decreased on account of concession provided to the House boat owners/Shikara owners for purchase of timber.

iv. The corresponding reduction in revenue of JKFDCL against concession provided to Houseboat owners/Shikara owners for purchase of timber will be compensated by the Finance Department.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

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(Sarmad Hafeez)IAS
Secretary to Government,
Tourism Department

Copy to the:-

1. Financial Commissioner (ACS), Finance Department.

- 2. Principal Secretary to Government, General Administration Department.
- 3. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment.
- 4. Joint Secretary (Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
- 5. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir
- 6. MD, JK Forest Development Corporation Limited.
- 7. Director, Tourism Kashmir.
- 8. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, J&K
- 9. Private Secretary to Secretary to Government, Tourism Department.

10. Incharge Website Tourism Department.

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