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Himachal Pradesh Forest Produce Transit (Land Routes) Rules, 2013[26th November, 2013]In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 41 and 42 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927), the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to make the following rules to regulate the movement of Forest Produce by land routes into, from and within the territorial limits of the Himachal Pradesh, namely:-

1. Short title, extent and commencement.

(1)These rules may be called the Himachal Pradesh Forest Produce Transit (Land Routes) Rules, 2013.(2)They shall apply to the whole of the State of Himachal Pradesh.(3)They shall come into force forthwith.

2. Definitions.

(1)In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, -(a)'Act' means the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927);(b)'section' means a section of the said Act;(c)'Division' means an executive forest management unit of forests constituted for the purpose of administration of forests and notified as such by the Government;(d)'Divisional Forest Officer' means an Officer holding the charge of the concerned division;(e)'Conservator of Forests' means an Officer holding the charge of the concerned forest circle; and(f)'Check Post' means any post so specified under the provisions of these rules for checking and regulating the movement of forest produce.(2)All other words and expression used but not defined in these rules shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

3. Transportation with property mark(s).

- No person shall transport or cause to be transported any forest produce other than fuelwood, Khairwood, bamboos, charcoal medicinal plants, grass, other plant parts including bark, leaves, stem, roots, flowers, fruits, cones, and seeds that does not bear the imprint of the registered mark.

4. Registration of property mark and its use.

(1) All persons willing to transport forest produce other than under Rule 3 by land routes shall register at the office of the Divisional Forest Officer the mark or marks which indicate their propriety rights in such forest produce; provided that no mark is required to be imprinted on any timber which is being transported within the concerned revenue estate only by a right holder in consequence of a grant to that effect in his favour. (2) No person shall be allowed to register any mark(s) already registered in favour of other persons or the Department. The Divisional Forest Officer may refuse registration of any mark(s) which according to him closely resemble(s) used by the Government Department or has/have been registered in favour of some other person(s).

5. Issue of certificate of registration.

- A certificate showing the facsimile or the mark, the date of registration, the period for which it is valid and acknowledging the payment of fees shall be issued to every person registering his mark(s).

6. Validity period of Registration Certificate.

- Every certificate of registration shall be valid for three years commencing from the date of registration. The registration fee in respect of each mark shall be Rs. 500/- and if the number of marks to be registered in favour of one person exceeds three, the fee shall be Rs. 1000/- for each such additional mark. However, no fee is payable by any Government Department.

7. Issue of pass for Export or transport of Forest Produce.

- No pass shall be issued for any unmarked forest produce other than fuelwood, khairwood, bamboos, charcoal, medicinal plants, grass, other plant parts including bark, leaves, stem, roots, flowers, fruits, cones and seeds as bears the marks not registered as herein after provided:-(i) the Divisional Forest Officer may refuse to issue a pass for export or transport if he has reasons to believe or for any other valid reasons that the forest produce has not been legally obtained by the applicant. However, the refusal to issue a pass shall be made in the shape of self-speaking written order; and (ii) the person who has been refused the issue of pass may within fifteen days of the date of refusal prefer an appeal to the Chief Conservator/Conservator of Forests in charge of the area concerned and his orders on appeal shall be final.

8. Prohibition on transport of Forest Produce.

(1) No person shall transport or cause to be transported any forest produce, except that obtained from plant species specified in and obtained in accordance with provisions contained in Schedule-I of Annexure-D by land routes, without obtaining pass (Annexure-A) from the concerned Divisional Forest Officer or any officer or person so authorized. Explanation for the purposes of rule 8 - Divisional Forest Officer shall include an officer holding the charge of the Division from where the forest produce has been, extracted under contractual agreement. (2) No such pass shall be issued in case of forest produce obtained from species declared as prohibited or banned for collection or harvesting under any law (Act, Rule or Order) applicable in the State except when such collection is carried out as per specific provisions provided in that Act, Rule or Order. (3) No person shall transport or cause to be transported any timber for conversion for sawing or for sale en route. (4) No person shall transport or cause to be transported any timber except firewood, pulpwood, bamboo and that obtained from plant species listed in and obtained in accordance with provisions contained in Schedule - 'I' of Annexure-D unless the timber is properly affixed with an export hammer mark by the forest officer authorized by the Conservator of Forests concerned.

9. Transport Routes and other conditions.

(1) The authority issuing the pass shall specify a route by which alone the forest produce may be transported for export outside Himachal Pradesh in such a manner that the forest produce crosses through one of the following barriers established by the Excise and Taxation Department:-

Sr. No.	District/Revenue District	Name of Barriers
1.	SOLAN	1. Parwanoo Sector-IV 2. Parwanoo (Main) 3. Tipra bye-pass (Parwanoo)
	BADDI,	1. Gullarwala 2. Dhabota 3. Navgaon 4. Bagheri 5. Gorakhnath Mandir at Gorakhnath Shahpur Road 6. Bridge (Pul Baddi) at Jhar Majri road
2.	BAROTIWALA, NALAGADH, BADDI	Balad Nadi via Suncity 7. Nanakpur-Kalu Janda Madala Road (at Madala Chowk) 8. Rampur Jaggi Truck Union Barotiwala Road (near Truck Union) 9. Ratyor 10. Baddi 11. Dherowal 12. Barotiwala
3.	SIRMOUR	1. Kala Amb 2. Behral 3. Govindgarh 4. Haripur Khol 5. Suketi on Suketi-Khajurana Road 6. Near Ruchira Paper Mill on Ruchira Road 7. Meerpur Kotla on Meerpur Kotla-Nahan Road 8. Kheri on Kheri Road 9. Rampur Ghat on Yamuna river-Paonta 10. Khodri Mazari 11. Minus
4.	SHIMLA	1. Kuddu
5.	BILASPUR	1. Garmaura 2. Kaulanwala Toba 3. Gwalthai 4. Shailaghora on Bassi-Shree Naina Devi Road
6.	NURPUR (Revenue District)	1. Kandwal 2. Bhadroya on Bhadroya (Lodhwan) Kandwal Road 13. Sansarpur Terrace 4. Shekupura Chowk Shekhupura Nangalbhoor 1 Road 5. Oader near Sulyali-Dunehra 1 Road Tehsil Nurpur 6. Shenehar-Sthana Gagir Road (Name changed) 7. Bela Thakra Near Pul

No. RD 79108. Dhangupeer⁹. Ulehrian Chowk¹⁰. Nakki Chowk on Jammu-Kangra Road¹¹. Mirthal Road¹² Kathgarh

1. Mahatpur². Gagret³. Marwari⁴. Pandoga⁵. Ajouli⁶. Polian⁷. Gondpur Jaichand⁸. Busdehra⁹. Bhatoli¹⁰. Bathu¹¹. Santokhgarh¹². Bathri Near Co-op. Society Building on Garh Shankar Road¹³. Singhan on Singhan- Beetan Road¹⁴. Jaijon-Janani on Jaijon-Janani Road¹⁵. Ambota Road (near Asha Devi Temple) in Gagret locality
7. UNA
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Provided that such authority shall also specify the check post(s) where the forest produce shall be compulsory checked en-route: Provided further that no timber or other forest produce from any forest depot or intermediate depot or first station/depot of despatch shall be loaded in vehicles, trollies, bullock-carts etc. after sun-set and before sunrise. The Divisional Forest Officer concerned may further impose any restriction(s) if so warranted for controlling the movement of the forest produce after sun-set and before sun-rise. (2) In case the produce is not to be exported outside the territory of Himachal Pradesh, the authority issuing the pass shall specify the route by which alone the forest produce may be transported and shall also determine the check post(s) where it shall be compulsory checked. (3) The issuing authority shall also determine the other conditions subject to which the pass shall be issued and shall also determine the period for which the pass shall remain valid. However, the validity of any pass shall under no circumstances exceed a period of Six months including any extension(s) allowed. A fee of Rs. 100/- shall be leviable for the issue of such pass: Provided that the export pass fee @ Rs 200/- per quintal shall be levied in case of resin to be exported outside the State of Himachal Pradesh: Provided that permit fee in case of forest produce obtained from species listed in Schedule-II of Annexure-"D", shall be as specified in it: Provided that permit fee in respect of forest produce obtained from species, including that listed in Schedule-II of Annexure-D, cultivated on private land in accordance with provisions contained in Schedule-III of Annexure-'D' shall be Rs. 100/-: Provided further that in respect of medicinal plants as included in Schedule-II of Annexure-'D', purported to be transported to the notified Herbal/Agricultural Mandis, permit fee shall be levied in accordance with procedure detailed in Annexure-"E".

10. Issue of Challan(s).

- The person in whose favour the pass has been issued or his authorized Agent shall carry a challan (Annexure-B) to accompany the forest produce in case all the forest produce cannot be transported at the same time and the pass cannot accompany the forest produce. The challan will be valid for a maximum 60 hours.

11. Setting up of check post(s).

(1) The Divisional Forest Officer may with the permission of the Conservator of Forests notify the setting up of a check post or check posts at suitable point(s) for purposes of check and examination of forest produce. (2) At every check post, registers (Annexure-C) to record the details of forest produce passing through the check post shall be maintained.

12. Production of pass/challan for examination.

- Forest Officer or Police Officer may at any time require any person transporting forest produce to produce the pass/challan as issued for the transportation of such produce. No person is entitled to transport forest produce by virtue of pass/challan which he does not himself held but is or is stated to be in the hands of some other person.

13. Detention of Forest Produce and other articles etc.

- In the event of the pass/challan not being produced, the Forest Officer or Police Officer may detain the Forest Produce, vehicle, camels, mules etc. by which it was being transported and cause the same not to move as long as may be reasonably necessary to examine the forest produce and/or till the valid pass/challan is produced.

14. Seizure of Forest Produce and other articles etc.

- In the event of the pass/challan being not produced, the Forest Officer or Police Officer shall seize the forest produce and means of transport and other articles, in accordance with the law in force.

15. Exemption to right holders obtaining of pass.

- Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, a right-holder who has collected forest produce in exercise of his recorded rights may, without obtaining a pass transport such forest produce within the revenue estate in which it has been so collected: Provided that no timber will be removed from the forests unless checked and hammer marked and detail of timber extracted written on the overleaf of the permit by the forest officer authorized in this behalf.

16. Bar on booking of forest produce by rail, by post and by air.

- No person shall offer any forest produce for export by rail on any railway station or by post at any post office or by air on any airport within Himachal Pradesh unless it is covered by the pass issued under these rules and nor Railway, Postal, Airport authority shall accept any forest produce for transport/transmission by rail, post or air, unless it is accompanied by a valid pass.

17. Bar on altering or defacing of marks.

- No person shall without the written permission of the Divisional Forest Officer alter or deface or obliterate any mark placed on any forest produce while in transit.

18. Penalty for breach of rules.

- Any person who contravene these rules shall be liable to imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months or with fine which may extend to rupees Five thousand or with both and the

forest produce being transported may also be seized and dealt with under the provisions of the Indian Forest Act: Provided that the penalties will be doubled in cases where the offence has been committed after sun-set or before sun-rise, or after resistance to the lawful authority or where the offender has been previously convicted for similar offence.

19. Repeal and Savings.

(1) On and from the date of commencement of these rules, the Himachal Pradesh Forest Produce Transit (Land Routes) Rules, 1978 are hereby repealed. (2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the rules so repealed, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules. Annexure-A (See Rule 8) Forest

Department, Himachal Pradesh Pass For Export Or Transport Of Forest

Produce From _____

Division. Sr. _____

No. _____

No. _____

Dated _____

1. Name and full address of the person(s) to whom the pass is granted

2. Date of issue

3. Forest Produce covered by the pass

(Details overleaf/attached and countersigned under office seal)

4. Route(s) by which forest produce will be transported

5. Whence obtained

6. Place to which consigned

7. Date of expiry of permit.

8. Property Marks.

Note:- (1) In case of Forest Produce being booked by rail from any railway station in Himachal Pradesh of the Northern Railway the concerned Station Master may please endorse on the back of the pass, the quantity of timber or any other Forest Produces) booked alongwith the date and the destination so as to facilitate further checking. (2) After the expiry of permit (pass) the grantee will please report as to whether it has been availed of in full or in part. Divisional Forest

Officer _____ Forest Division (Seal Of Office To Be

Affixed). No. _____

Dated _____

1. Range Officer _____ for information and necessary action with reference to his report No. _____ dated _____

2. Incharge check post _____ for information and necessary action (copy for each check post to be issued separately).

3. Shri/M/s _____ for information and necessary action.

Divisional Forest Officer _____ Forest Division Annexure-B (Challan Form) (See Rule 10) Sr. No. _____ Challan No _____ Date _____ issued by DFO Forest Division _____ IN FAVOUR OF _____ Date of Time of Issue _____ Date and Time of Expiry _____

Spp.	Details of Timber/ Description No.	Vol. in Cubic Metre	Fuelwood/charcoal in Qts.	Other Forest Product Descriptions
1	2	3	4	5

Remarks: Property marks Export Hammer

marks.....

of person Incharge Produce

_____ Designation

_____ Check

Post(s) (Via)

_____ (one

copy of challan to be sent to each check post) Vehicles (Kind and No. etc.

_____) Signature of

Grantee Or Authorized Agent Annexure-C (See Rule 11) Register Of Export Of Timber And Other Forest Produce At Check Post _____

1. Name and full address of permit Holder

2. Issuing authority of permit

3. Permit No. and date of issue with details of timber or other Forest Produce allowed be transporting/exporting

4. Date of expiry of permit**5. Distinctive property or Khudan Mark****6. Place to origin/where from carried****7. Place to which consigned/destinations****8. (i) Route and**

(ii) Check post(s) specified for transport Book No./Challan No. Description of timber or other produce

Sr.No	Date of Export	Quantity	Running total of Quantity transported/exported	Date of Challan vide transported/exported	Mode of transport Vehicle No. etc.	
No.	volume	weight				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 8
Signature of person incharge of timber or other forest produce			Signature of official with designation		Signature of inspecting officer	Remarks
9			10		11	12

Annexure-D

I

[See Rule 8 (1)] Forest Produce obtained from the following Plant Species Growing on Private Land Exempt from the requirement of Transit Pass

S. No.	Botanical Name	Local/Trade Name
1.	Albizzia spp.	Oei/Siris
2.	Bauhinia spp.	Kachnar/Karial
3.	Eucalyptus spp.	Safeda
4.	Morus spp.	Kimu/Chimu/Shahoot/Tut/Mulberry
5.	Populus spp.	Poplar
6.	Salix spp.	Willow/Biuns
7.	Dendrocalamus strictus/Dendrocalamus hamiltonii/Bambusa nutans/B. bamboos	Bamboo culms/Lathi bans/Maggar/Dharainch/Bans
8.	Saussurea costus (=S. lappa)*	Kuth
9.	Bunium persicum	Kala Zira

*Export of Kuth (*Saussurea costus/lappa*) will, however, be subject to fulfilment of requirement under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The removal and transportation of the forest produce obtained from plants species listed in this Schedule and growing on private lands shall be in accordance with the following provisions: (i) The landowner shall intimate in writing to the concerned Range Forest Officer through the local Forest Guard of his intent to harvest the forest produce from plant species listed in this schedule along with estimate of yield before starting the harvest. (ii) The Range Forest Officer may himself or through his representative inspect the land from which such harvest is proposed and verify the yield. (iii) Range Forest Officer shall issue a letter to the landowner giving detail of forest produce obtained from private land. (iv) The landowner shall carry this letter during transportation of the verified produce.

II

See Rule 9 (3) List of Forest Produce and Permit Fee Thereon

Sr. No.	Botanical Name	Local/Trade	Name Plant Part	Permit/Pass Fee Rs/Qtl
1	<i>Abies spectabilis/A.pindrow</i>	Talis Patra	Needles/leaves	125
2	<i>Acacia catetchu</i>	Khair	(a) Heartwood/chips(b) Khair billet (with bark)	250175
3	<i>Aconitum dienorrhizum</i>	Vatsnabh/Mohra	Tubers	7,500
4	<i>Aconitum heterophyllum</i>	Atis/Patis/ Karvi Patis	Tubers	5,000
5	<i>Aconitum violaceum</i>	Mitha Telia/ Mitha Patis	Tubers	1,000
6	<i>Acorus calamus</i>	Bach/ Bare/ Ghor bach	Rhizomes	150
7	<i>Adhatoda zeylanica/A.vasica</i>	Basuti/Bansa	Leaves	125
8	<i>Adiantum lunulatum</i>	Dungtuli/ Hansraj	Fronds/Whole Plant	125
9	<i>Aegle marmelos</i>	Bilgiri	Fruits	500
10	<i>Aesculus indica</i>	Khanor	Fruits/Seeds	150
11	<i>Ainsliae aptera</i>	Sathjalori	Roots	150
12	<i>Ajuga beacteosa</i>	Neelkanthi	Leaves	125
13	<i>Alnus nitida</i>	Kosh Cones	Dry Cones	150
14	<i>Angelica glauca</i>	Chora	Roots	150
15	<i>Arctium lappa</i>	Jangli Kuth	Roots	125
16	<i>Arnebia euchroma/A.benthami</i>	Ratanjot	Roots	200
17	<i>Artemisia brevifolia</i>	Seski	Flowering shoots	125
18	<i>Asparagus adscendens</i>	Shatavari/Sanspai/Safed Musali	Root tubers	200
19	<i>Atropa acuminata</i>	Belladona/Jharka	Leaves	125

20.	<i>Berberis</i> spp	Kashmal/Daruhaldi	Roots/Stems	200
21.	<i>Bergenia ciliata</i> /B.stracheyi	Pasahnbdh/Patharchat	Roots	150
22.	<i>Betula utilis</i>	Bhoj Pattar/Birch pine	BarkDry cone	500200
23.	<i>Bunium persicum</i>	Kala Zira	Fruits	2,000
24.	<i>Carum carvi</i>	Shingu Zira	Fruits	1,000
25.	<i>Cedrus deodara</i>	Deodar Rosette	Dry Cone part	150
26.	<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i>	Tejpatra	Leaves	500
27.	<i>Colebrookia oppositifolia</i>	Bindi Phool	Leaves /Roots	125
28.	<i>Coleus aromaticus</i>	Pathan Bail	Leaves, seeds	30
29.	<i>Curcuma angustifolia</i>	Ban Haldi	Rhizomes	150
30.	<i>Dactylorhiza hatageria</i>	Salam Panja/Hath Panja	Root tubers	6,000
31.	<i>Dioscorea deltoidea</i>	Singli Mingli/Kins	Roots	900
32.	<i>Emblica officinalis</i>	Amla	Fruits	150
33.	<i>Ephedra gerardiana</i>	Somlata	Twigs	200
34.	<i>Fritillaria roylei</i>	Ban Lehsun/Mushtanda	Bulb	10,000
35.	<i>Geranium nepalense</i>	Laljari/Raktjari	Roots	125
36.	<i>Girardiana diversifolia</i>	Bichhu Buti	Roots	150
37.	<i>Hedychium acuminatum</i>	Kapur Kachri/Kachur/ Van Haldi	Roots	100
38.	<i>Heracleum</i> spp (H. candicans; H. lanatum)	Patishan/Patrala	Roots	100
39.	<i>Hyocymus niger</i>	Khurasani Ajwain	Seeds/Leaves	150
40.	<i>Hypericum patulum</i> /H.perforatum	Khaarera/Basant	Whole Plant	250
41.	<i>Hyssopus officinalis</i>	Juffa	Flowering Twigs	500
42.	<i>Iris germanica</i>	Safed Bach	Rhizomes	125
43.	<i>Juglans regia</i>	Akhrot/Khod	Bark	1000
44.	<i>Juniperus communis</i>	Hauber	Berries	250
45.	<i>Juniperus recurva</i> / J. macropoda	Bether Patta	Leaves	150
46.	<i>Jurinea macrocephala</i> =J. dolomoea	Dhoop/Guggal dhoop	Roots	500
47.	Lichens	Chalora / Chharila / Jhula/ Mehndi/ Stone flower	Thallus	500
48.	<i>Mentha longifolia</i>	Jangli Pudina	Leaves	125
49.	<i>Morchella esculenta</i>	Guchhi/Cheun	Fruiting Body	10,000
50.	Mosses	Green Moss Ghas	Thallus	250
51.	<i>Murraya koenigii</i>	Mitthi Nim	Leaves	150

52.	<i>Myrica esculenta</i>	Kaphal	Bark	200
53.	<i>Nardostachys grandiflora</i>	Jatamansi	Roots	1,000
54.	<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	Ban Tulasi	Leaves	150
55.	<i>Oroxylum indicum</i>	Shyonak, Tatpalanga	Bark, Pod	125
56.	<i>Paris polyphylla</i>	Dudhia bach/Satva	Rhizomes	200
57.	<i>Picrorhiza kurroa</i>	Karoo/Kutki	Rhizomes	1,000
58.	<i>Pinus gerardiana</i>	Chilgoza/Neoza	Seeds	1,000
59.	<i>Pinus roxburghii</i>	Chil Cones	Dry Cones Dry Needles	1,000 5
60.	<i>Pinus wallichiana</i>	Kail Cones	Dry Cones	1,000
61.	<i>Pistacia integerrima</i>	Kakarsingi	Leaf Galls	1,000
62.	<i>Podophyllum hexandrum</i> = <i>P. emodi</i>	Bankakri	Fruits Roots	250 450
63.	<i>Polygonatum</i> spp.	Salam Mishri/Meda/ Mahameda	Rhizomes	1,000
64.	<i>Potentilla nepalensis</i>	Dori Ghas	Roots	125
65.	<i>Prunus cerasoides</i>	Pajja/Padam/ Padmakasht	Wood	125
66.	<i>Punica granatum</i>	Daru/Anar	Fruits/Seeds	500
67.	<i>Pynxs pashia</i>	Kainik,/Shegal	Fruits	125
68.	<i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i>	Sarpagandha	Roots	500
69.	<i>Rheum</i> spp. (<i>R. australe</i> = <i>R. emodi</i> / <i>R. spedfbrme</i>)	Revandchini	Roots	200
70.	<i>Rhododendron anthopogon</i>	Talis patra	Leaves	125
71.	<i>Rhododendron arboreum</i>	Brash/Burah	Flowers	150
72.	<i>Rhododendron campanulatum</i>	Kashmiri Patta	Leaves	150
73.	<i>Salvia moorcroftiana</i>	Thuth	Roots	200
74.	<i>Sapindus mukorossi</i>	Ritha/Dodde	Fruits	150
75.	<i>Saussurea costus</i> / <i>S.lappa</i>	Kuth	Roots	300
76.	<i>Selinum</i> spp. (<i>S. vaginatum</i> / <i>S. tenuifolium</i>)	Bhutkesi	Roots	400
77.	<i>Swertia</i> spp.	Chirata	Whole Plant	700
78.	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	Dhudhi / Dandelion	Roots	125
79.	<i>Taxus wallichiana</i> = <i>T. baccata</i>	Birmi/Thuna/Rakhal	Needles	600
80.	<i>Terminalia bellirica</i>	Bahera	Fruits	300
81.	<i>Terminalia chebula</i>	Harar	Fruits	500
82.	<i>Thalictrum foliolosun</i>	Mamiri	Roots	350

83.	Thymus serpyllum	Banajwain	Aerial Parts (Herb)	125
84.	Tinospora cordifolia	Giloe/Guduchi	Stems	125
85.	Toona cilia ta/Cedrela toona	Bari phool	Dried fruits	125
86.	Trillidium govanianum	Nag Chhatri	Roots/Rhizomes	8,000
87.	Valeriana spp.	Mushakbala/Tagar/ Nihanu	Roots/Rhizomes	600
88.	Viola spp	Banafsha	Flowers/aerial parts	2,250
89.	Withania somnifera	Ashvagandha	Roots	200
90.	Woodfordia fruticosa	Dhatki/Dhai	Flowers	150
91.	Zanthoxylum armatumAll other Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) notlisted above	Tirmir	Fruits/seeds	250100

III

[See Rule 9 (3)]General Provisions relating to Registration of Grower, Cultivation of Medicinal Plants on Private Land and Transportation of Produce so ObtainedA. Registration of Growers for Cultivation of Medicinal Plants:

1. Every grower intending to cultivate medicinal plants listed in Schedule-II on his/her private land shall get himself/herself registered with the concerned Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) by paying a registration fee Rs. 100/-. For this purpose, the grower will submit completed applications in the specified format given in Schedule-III(A), in duplicate, alongwith registration fee to the Deputy Ranger of the concerned block, who will (i) return one copy to the grower after acknowledging the receipt of application and (ii) submit the application to the concerned Range Forest Officer (RFO) for getting registered with the DFO. After registration, the Forest Guard will hand over the registration certificates, in the given format given in Schedule- III(B), to the applicant, within one month of submission of application.

2. Applicant shall submit registered power of attorney alongwith application for registration in case the land is not in his name.

3. The registration shall be valid only in respect of the species for which registration has been obtained.

4. Registration shall be valid for a period of five years from the date of registration, after which it would need to be re-registered.

B. Cultivation of Medicinal Plants:

1. The growers shall inform the concerned RFO through the local Forest Guard about the medicinal plant species cultivated by him/her on his/her private land within one month of sowing/planting.

2. The grower shall procure seed/germplasm for cultivation from certified sources only and shall not collect/remove the same from wild resources, unless permitted in writing by the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO).

3. The grower shall get the khasra-wise land details bearing medicinal plant cultivation entered in the revenue records for the year.

4. The Range Forest Officer (RFO) or his representative may visit the fields under medicinal plant cultivation within the gestation period and certify the extent and quality of such crop.

5. The grower shall inform the Range Forest Officer through the local Forest Guard about the time of harvest (i) at least one month in advance, and (ii) immediately after harvesting.

6. The grower shall make the necessary records pertaining to the medicinal plant cultivation on his/her land available to the RFO or his representative to facilitate verification of cultivation.

C. Transportation of Produce Obtained from Cultivated Sources:

1. The grower or his authorized person shall transport the material after obtaining necessary transit pass under these Rules from the Divisional Forest Officer.

2. Other regulations to transport the cultivated produce shall be as per the provisions of these rules.

D. Penalty, etc. for Violation of Provisions: In case of violation of provisions contained in this annexure, the registration shall be cancelled and produce shall be seized and further action shall be

taken as per law.

III(A)

[See Schedule-III](Application Format for Registration of Growers)Name of Applicant:Address:Name of Panchayat:Land details (attach copy of revenue papers):Khasra Nos.:Total Area:Medicinal Plant Species Proposed to be Cultivated:

S. No. Botanical Name of Species Local Name Proposed Source of Seed/Germplasm

1.2.3.

Undertaking by the Applicant: Having read the general provisions contained in Annexure-D of the H.P. Forest Produce Transit (Land Routes) Rules, 2013, I undertake to cultivate medicinal plant species in accordance with the given provisions. I further undertake that in case of any violation of the provisions under the rules, I shall be liable to be proceeded against under provisions of the law.

Signature of the ApplicantFor Office Use:Application Received on _____ Signature & Name of Block OfficerName of Beat _____ Name of Block _____ Name of Range _____ Name of Division _____ Application received in the Office of RFO _____ Application received in the Office of DFO _____ Registration Number and Date: _____ Signature and Seal of DFO

III(B)

[See Schedule-III](Certificate Format for Registration of Growers)Registration

No.: _____ Date: _____ With respect to his/ her application dated _____, Sh./Smt. _____ s/o / d/o Sh. _____, and resident of _____ falling under _____ Panchayat has been registered as a grower of medicinal and aromatic plants on his/ her private land/leased land bearing khasra nos. _____ involving area _____ bighas in respect of the following species:

S. No.	Botanical Name of Species	Local Name
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1.2.3.

This certificate is valid for five years from the date of registration. Terms and Conditions of Registration: The registered grower shall undertake cultivation of medicinal species permitted for cultivation in this certificate strictly in accordance with general provisions contained in Annexure-D, appended to the H.P Forest Produce Transit (Land Routes) Rules, 2013. In case of any violation of the provisions of these rules, this certificate of registration is liable to be cancelled and the violator shall be proceeded against under provisions of the law. Signature and Seal of DFO Annexure-E [See Rule 9 (3)] Guidelines for Transit of Medicinal Plants, Seeds and Miscellaneous NTFFPs to the notified Herbal Mandis and Sale thereof

- 1. Persons intending to transport forest produce, collected from wild/cultivated land, of the species listed under Schedule-II of these rules to the notified Herbal Mandis (operated by HPSFDC and/or APMC) within Himachal Pradesh, shall apply to the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) for issue of 'Pass' to Herbal Mandis' on Annexure-E(I) (prototype of application form given below) alongwith a Permit Fee of Rs. 10/-. No Export Fee will be leviable on such forest produce being transported to the herbal mandi.**
- 2. The DFO shall issue 'Pass to Herbal Mandis' on Annexure-E(2) to such applicant after getting the forest produce verified from his field staff, within three (3) days of receipt of application verification (prototype of such pass given below as Annexure-E(2)).**
- 3. The applicant shall transport the material to the sale depot within 7 days of receipt of pass to Herbal Mandis.**
- 4. The produce thus brought to the notified herbal mandis shall be put to auction by the concerned sale depot authorities as per specified auction rules.**
- 5. On successful completion of sale, the concerned DFO in whose jurisdiction the herbal mandi exists shall issue the necessary Transit Pass under these rules to the buyer(s) after recovery of Export Fee prescribed in Schedule-II from the buyer(s).**

Annexure-E-(1)[See Annexure-E](Application For issuance of Pass by persons desirous of transporting notified medicinal plants/parts thereof to Herbal Mandis)Name of Applicant:Address:Name of Panchayat:Species to be transported to Sale Depots:

S. No.	Name of Species	Local Name	Part	Qty.(in Qtls)	Collected from(name of forest)/Cultivated(name of village)
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1.2.3.

If cultivated, Registration No.:Name of Sale Depot:Undertaking by the Applicant: I certify that the material has been collected in accordance with the regulation and prescribed procedure. I undertake to transport the material as per details given above directly to the destination/ herbal mandi as requested for. I further undertake that in case of any violation by me on this account, I shall be liable to be proceeded against under provisions of these rules.Signature of the ApplicantVerification by the Field Staff:Certified that:

- 1. The above material has been collected in accordance with the regulation and prescribed procedure.**
- 2. The applicant has not committed any forest offence in respect of the produce being transported.**
- 3. I have checked the quality and quantity of the above-mentioned forest produce and is found correct.**
- 4. The necessary pass in favour of the applicant is recommended.**

Signature of Beat Guard: Verification by Block Officer: Recommendation by Range Officer: Annexure-E-2 [See rule 9(3) proviso, 3] Pass for transit of Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) to notified Herbal Mandi Pass No.: _____ Date: _____

_____ With respect to his/her application dated _____, Sh./Smt. _____ s/o / d/o Sh. _____, and resident of _____, falling under _____ Panchayat, is allowed to transport medicinal plants, seeds resident of and miscellaneous NTFPs and parts thereof to _____ Herbal Mandi, in respect of the following species:

S.No.	Name of Species	Local Name	Part	Qty.(in Qtls)	Collected from(name of forest)/ Cultivated(name of village)
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1.2.3.

Name & Signature of the Forest

Guard Beat.....Block.....Range.....Division.....

to: Applicant/Range Officer/Check Post/ I/c Herbal Mandi