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Tribal Development Department, HP, Shimla-2.

From

Commr.-cum-Addl. Chief Secy. (TD) to the
Govt. of H.P., Shimla-171002.

To

1. Sh. Bir Singh S/o Late Sh. Chering Br,
Member SLMC, VPO Tapri, Teh. Nichar, Distt Kinnaur.
2. Sh. Sushil Advocate, S/o Sh. Puchong,
Member SLMC, VPO Chokang, Teh Udaipur, Distt. Lahaul & Spiti.
3. Sh. Hemraj, S/o Sh. Dhaniya Ram,
Member SLMC, VPO Ulansa, Teh Bharmour, Distt. Chamba.
4. The Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.
5. The Principal Secretary (Forest) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.
6. The Secretary (Panchayati Raj) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.
7. The Additional Secretary (Law) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.
8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
H.P. Forest Department, Shimla-02.
9. The Deputy Commissioner, District Kangra, HP.

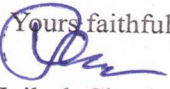
Dated Shimla-171002 the 16th July 2026.

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee held on 02.07.2026 at 11:30 AM constituted under Forest Rights Act, 2006 under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H.P.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith minutes of the meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee under the Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 held on 02.07.2026 at 11:30 AM under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Himachal Pradesh, for your kind information and necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,


(Kailash Chauhan)

Joint Director (TD)

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

Ph. No. 0177-2621997.

Endst. no. & date: As above.

Copy to:

1. All Deputy Commissioners, H P for information and necessary action as per Point 2, please.
2. The Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs (FRA Division), Room No. 13108, 3rd Floor, Kartavya Bhawan-01, New Delhi-110001 for information please.
3. The Joint Secretary (TD) to the Govt. of H.P., Shimla - 2 for information please.
4. Secretary, Forest Rights Committee, Bara Bhangal, District Kangra, H.P for information please.


(Kailash Chauhan)
Joint Director (TD)

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

Minutes of the meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee constituted under Forest Right Act, 2006, held on 02.07.2026 at 11:30 AM under the chairmanship of Sh. Kamlesh Kumar Pant, Chief Secretary, Himachal Pradesh (also holding charge of Revenue/Forest Department) in his office chamber.

The following were present in the meeting:

Official members:

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| 1. Sh. Onkar C. Sharma | Commr.-cum-Addl. Chief Secretary (TD) |
| 2. Dr. Vivek Jyoti | Addl. Secretary (Law) |
| 3. Mrs. Neelam Dutta | Addl. Secretary (Panchayati Raj) |
| 4. Sh. A.P. Nagar | APCCF, HoFF |
| 5. Sh. Reginald Royston | DCF (WL) Hamirpur |
| 6. Dr. Vikram Singh Negi | Joint Secretary (TD) H.P. |
| 7. Sh. Kailash Chauhan | Joint Director (TD) H.P. |
| 8. Sh Khem Chand Jagwan | Deputy Director (TD) H.P. |
| 9. Dr. Rupal Sood | Research Officer (Anthropology) Tribal Deptt. H.P. |

Petitioners:

1. Sh Akshay Jasrotia
2. Mrs. Pawna Kumari (Secretary FRC)

At the outset of the meeting Commr.-cum-Addl. Chief Secretary (TD) to the Government of HP, welcomed all the participants and briefed about the agenda of the meeting and the following items were taken for discussion & decided upon:

1. Notice received under section 8 of the FRA, 2006 from secretary, Forest Rights Committee, Bara Bhawal, District Kangra.

It was apprised that notice was received w.r.t issuance of modified and incomplete Community Forest Rights titles and non-issuance of Community Forest Resource Rights by DLC Kangra on 29.09.2025. District Level Committee (DLC) Kangra had earlier accorded in principle approval on claims on 06.05.2022 with a condition of prior due scrutiny by Forest Department for considering final approval as Bara Bhawal is a critical forest area. Recommendations were received from the Forest Department on 18.07.2025 and after due consideration the District Level Committee Kangra granted its final approval over the claims on 29.09.2025.

Regarding Community Forest Resource Rights (CFRR) DC Kangra apprised that the complete file has been returned back to SDLC Baijnath on 18.06.2026 for re-examination following a detailed report from the DCF (Wildlife) on 16.06.2026 and will be considered in due course. After detailed discussion, it was decided that District Level Committee Kangra will take appropriate

decision over the claims as per provision & Rules of Act made there under within 90 days by passing a self speaking order with reasons in writing.

2. Review of Progress made under Forest Rights Act, 2006:

District wise progress of FRA implementation up to March 2026 was apprised to the Committee. Total 6546 individual claims were received in the state and 1144 have been approved till date. Further 791 Community claims were received in the state and 166 have been approved till date. The Committee expressed concern about the pendency of claims in districts and decided that all Deputy Commissioners being chairperson of District Level Committee may take immediate appropriate action in this regard.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to & from the chair.



(Sh. Kamlesh kumar Pant)
Chief Secretary to the Government of H.P.