

## **Proceedings of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management), Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram.**

Present: **Bennichen Thomas IFS**

Sub: Participatory Forest Management (PFM) – Selection of PFM Manager, Assistant PFM Manager (Sociologist) and Assistant PFM Manager (Marketing & Branding) on contract basis for strengthening PFM – Short list of candidates - Orders issued.

- Read: 1) Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> General Body and 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting of SFDA held on 20-01-2017 at Forest Headquarters.
- 2) Letter No.E&TW1-7647/2017 dated 24-07-2019 of Chief Conservator of Forests (E&TW), Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 3) Letter No.22/CA/ACS/F&WLD dated 17-08-2019 of Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest & Wildlife Department.
- 4) Advertisement dated 24-10-2019 in various newspapers.

### **Order No.E&TW1-54448/2016 Dated: 22-02-2020**

Vide paper read 1<sup>st</sup> above, the Member Secretary, SFDA presented a proposal for appointing a PFM Manager at FDA level with 2 Assistant Managers, one Sociologist and another Ecologist on contract with a remuneration of Rs.30,000/- and Rs.25,000/- respectively with an objective of strengthening and reviving PFM in the State as well as planning for the diversification of the activities of each VSS, help the VSS in planning, formulating and implementing various activities and proper management of ecotourism sites etc. The funds for the engagement is to be met from the corpus fund of Ecosystem Management Fund (EMF). The meeting agreed to the proposal and requested the Member Secretary to obtain Government sanction for appointment of one PFM Manager with remuneration of Rs.30,000/- per month and two Assistant Managers with remuneration of Rs.25,000/- per month for each FDA. Considering that the payment of remuneration of PFM Managers and Assistant PFM Managers at FDA level comes to be a huge amount, it was considered to propose to engage them at SFDA level. Hence, vide paper cited 2<sup>nd</sup> above, sanction was accorded from Government for the modified proposal. Government vide paper read 3<sup>rd</sup> above, accorded sanction modifying the remuneration for PFM Managers @Rs.45000/- per month and Assistant PFM Managers (Marketing & Branding and

Sociologist) @Rs.40,000/- per month. Accordingly, an advertisement was made in leading newspapers vide paper read 4<sup>th</sup> above. In response to the advertisement, 20 applications for PFM Manager, 11 applications for Assistant PFM Manager (Sociologist) and 10 applications for Assistant PFM Manager (Marketing & Branding) were received. The applications were shortlisted based on the TOR and they were invited for interview on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 at Forest Headquarters. Out of the 12 applicants shortlisted for PFM Manager, 8 applicants turned up for the interview. Similarly, 9 out of 11 candidates for Assistant PFM Manager (Sociologist) and 8 out of 10 candidates for Assistant PFM Manager (Marketing & Branding) were attended the interview and they were given ranking as follows.

#### APPROVED RANK LISTS

Name of candidate shortlisted for PFM Manager	Name of candidate shortlisted for Assistant PFM Managers (Sociologist)	Name of candidate shortlisted for Assistant PFM Managers (Marketing & Branding)	Rank awarded
Sri. Lijo P. George	Sri. George Alexander	Sri. Ajin V.C.	1
Sri. Rinu Jose	Sri.Lijo P George	Smt. Sumaina S.K.	2
Sri. Ramesan. T	Sri. Sureshkumar. A		3

In these circumstances, I, Bennichen Thomas IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management), Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram hereby approve the Rank Lists as above. Chief Conservator of Forests (E&TW) may appoint he personnel as per the above Rank List.

**Bennichen Thomas IFS**  
**Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management)**

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF,  
Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Chief Conservator of Forests (E&TW) and Member Secretary, SFDA, Kerala.

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