



Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment
Civil Secretariat, J&K.

The Consultant (Judicial)
Hon'ble National Green Tribunal,
Principal Bench, New Delhi.

Original Application No. 129/2024 News item titled "Forest land five times Delhi's geographical area under encroachment Government data show" appearing in Deccan Herald dated: 05.01.2024.

Dated 28.01.2026

No. FST-Lit/96/2024(7419583)

Subject: Compliance report /reply on behalf of J&K UT in terms of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal Order dated: 19.04.2024 passed in the above titled original application.No.129/2024.

Sir,

The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal Principal Bench, New Delhi on dated 19.04.2024 passed an Order in the above titled original application and in pursuance of the said Order, the requisite information was sought by the Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, J&K UT from Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and HoFF, J&K UT vide No. FST/Lit/96/2024(7419583) dated: 11.07.2024, vide No. FST-Lit/96/2024(7419583) dated 07.11.2025 and vide No. FST-Lit/96/2024 (7419583) dated: 20.01.2026.

The Principal Chief conservator of Forests & HoFF, J&K vide his No. PCCF/Coord/7470974/280 dated 27.01.2026 furnished the latest forest encroachment report and accordingly the same is submitted with the request to place before the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal for its kind consideration (**Copy enclosed as Annexure-A**).

Yours faithfully,

(Rakesh Magotra) JKAS

Special Secretary to the Government
Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment

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Forest, Ecology & Environment Deptt.

Enclosures as above

Copy along with enclosures to the:

- 1 Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi for kind information and necessary action please.
- 2 Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (FDP Division), Government of Indian, New Delhi for kind information and necessary action. This is in reference to communication No. F. No. 8/4/2024-FPD (Computer NO.232601) dated: 1st May, 2024.
- 3 Shri Gautam Singh Advocate, Standing Counsel, for Government of Jammu & Kashmir UT in Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi for information and necessary action please.

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Office of the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests
Jammu and Kashmir.

The Commissioner Secretary to Government,
Forests, Ecology & Environment Department,
J&K, Civil Secretariat,
Srinagar.

No: - PCCF/Coord/7470974/280

Dated: -27 -01-2026

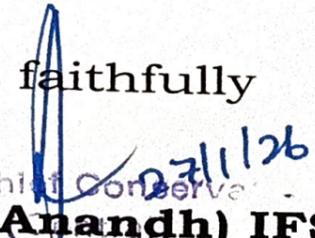
Subject: - Meeting in the matter OA No. 129/2024 in the matter of Suo Motu matter In re: News item appearing in Deccan Herald dated 05-01-2024 " Forest land five times Delhi's geographical area under encroachment, Govt. data shows" before NGT (PB), New Delhi- regarding.

Madam,

Kindly refer letter No. F.No. 8/4/2024-FPD dated 25-11-2025 revived from Assistant Inspector General of Forest, MoEF & CC, Government of India, regarding the subject cited above. I am directed to submit requisite information as **Annexure "A"**, duly filled in the prescribed format, for favour of information and necessary action.

Encl.: As above

Yours faithfully


Chief Conservator of Forests
(Dr.K. Anandh) IFS
Chief Conservator of Forests
Jammu/Srinagar
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Information in light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 19.04.2024 in Original Application No. 129/2024 in the matter of Suo Motu matter in re: News item appearing in Deccan Herald dated 05.01.2024 entitled "Forest land fire times Delhi's geographical area under encroachment, Govt date shows "before NGT (PB), New Delhi reg.

JAMMU REGION										
S. No	Name of the District	Total Forest Cover in (Ha)	Details of encroachment					Total encroachment upto March, 2025 District wise (in Ha)	Action taken for removal of encroachment year wise District wise (in Ha) Up to July, 2025	Percentage loss of forest as on December 2025 District wise.
			Protected Forest	Reserve Forest	Deemed Forest	Sanctuaries and protected	Any other type of forest			
1	Jammu	50481	0	646.35	0	13.85	0	660.20	2020-21 = 1.25 2021-22 = 68.74 2022-23 = 7.7 2023-24 = 4.2 2024-25 = 0.30 2025-26 = 0.00	1.30
Total District		50481	0.00	646.35	0.00	13.85	0.00	660.20	82.19	
2	Udhampur	100925	0	150.7968	0	21.47	0	172.2668	2020-21 = 169.61 2021-22 = 36.34 2022-23 = 3.53 2023-24 = 23.28 2024-25 = 0.50 2025-26 = 0	0.17
Total District		100925	0	150.7968	0	21.47	0	172.2667695	233.26	
3	Samba	29476	0	88.1009	0	0	0	88.1009	2020-21 = 5.35 2021-22 = 4.49 2022-23 = 11.415 2023-24 = 6.9016 2024-25 = 0 2025-26 = 0	0.29
Total District		29476	0.00	88.1009	0.00	0.00	0.00	88.1009	28.16	

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4	Kathua	91305.17	0	569.0855	0	0	0	0	0	569.0855	2020-21 = 5.57 2021-22 = 66.09 2022-23 = 0.20 2023-24 = 13.69 2024-25 = 5.40 2025-26 = 0	0.62
Total District		91305.17	0	569.0855	0	0	0	0	0	569.0855	90.95	
5	Reasi	9010105.8 2	0	2787.43	0	0	0	0	0	2787.43	2020-21 = 0.60 2021-22 = 48.083 2022-23 = 10.9 2023-24 = 54.23 2024-25 = 0.00 2025-26 = 0	3.09
Total District		90105.82	0	2787.43	0	0	0	0	0	2787.43	113.81	
6	Rajouri	83805	0	4899.909	0	0	0	0	0	4899.909	2020-21 = 21.93 2021-22 = 122.74 2022-23 = 18.13 2023-24 = 12.35 2024-25 = 11.20 2025-26 = 0	5.84
Total District		83805	0	4899.909	0	0	0	0	0	4899.9085	186.35	
7	Poonch	65325.14	0	965.92	0	0	0	0	0	965.92	2020-21 = 6.70 2021-22 = 26.2 2022-23 = 25.45 2023-24 = 5.35 2024-25 = 0 2025-26 = 0	1.47
Total District		65325.14	0	965.92	0	0	0	0	0	965.92	63.7	
8	Doda	168043.71	0	490.479	0	0	0	0	0	490.479	2020-21 = 17.50 2021-22 = 59.31 2022-23 = 27.95 2023-24 = 38.15 2024-25 = 0 2025-26 = 0	0.29
Total District		168043.71	0	490.479	0	0	0	0	0	490.479	142.91	

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9	Ramban	82367.58	0	2617.695	0	0	0	2617.695	2020-21 = 9.80 2021-22 = 52.56 2022-23 = 14.86 2023-24 = 21.19 2024-25 = 11.65 2025-26 = 0	3.17
Total District		82367.58	0	2617.695	0	0	0	2617.695	110.0666	
10	Kishtwar	284945.47	0	378.9868	0	0	0	378.9868	2020-21 = 0 2021-22 = 33.72 2022-23 = 0.037 2023-24 = 18.99 2024-25 = 0 2025-26 = 0	0.1
Total District		284945.47	0	378.9868	0	0	0	378.98675	52.74	
1	Anantnag	176271.87	0.00	1849.22	0.00	95	0	1944.22	2019-20=36.2 2020-21=41.2 2021-22=25.73 2022-23=14.87 2023-24=12.27 2024-25=0.05 2025-26=0	1.10
Total Anantnag		176271.87	0	1849.221	0	95	0	1944.22	130.32	
2	Kulgam	44802.51	0	279.19	0	0	0	279.19	2019-20=4.3 2020-21=9.255 2021-22=9.05 2022-23=9.8 2023-24=12.5 2024-25=36 2025-26=3.7	0.62
Total Kulgam		44802.51	0	279.19	0	0	0	279.19	84.61	

Pulwama	27549.69	0	126.85	0	0	0	126.85	2019-20=2	0.46
								2020-21=1.4	
								2021-22=2.65	
								2022-23=3.75	
								2023-24=5.25	
								2024-25=5.25	
Total Pulwama	27549.69	0	126.85	0	0	0	126.85	20.30	
4 Shopian	52240.62	0	1011.29	0	0	0	1011.29	2019-20=1.75	1.94
								2020-21=0	
								2021-22=7.645	
								2022-23=4.835	
								2023-24=2	
								2024-25=1.13	
Total Shopian	52240.62	0	1011.29	0	0	0	1011.29	17.36	
5 Bandipora	185934.98	0	135.21	0	0	0	135.21	2019-20=3.1	0.07
								2020-21=8.27	
								2021-22=11.832	
								2022-23=6.15	
								2023-24=3.267	
								2024-25=0	
Total Bandipora	185934.98	0	135.2100	0	0	0	135.21	52.62	
6 Budgam	55061.89	0	623.09	0	0	0	623.09	2019-20=2	1.13
								2020-21=14.5615	
								2021-22=2.453	
								2022-23=5.5466	
								2023-24=6.25	
								2024-25=4.25	
								2025-26=0	
Total Budgam	55061.89	0	623.090	0	0	0	623.09	35.0611	

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7	Ganderbal	110196.60	0	377.82	0	0	0	377.82	2019-20=1.225	0.34
		4							2020-21=33.88	
									2021-22=3.57	
									2022-23=62.67	
									2023-24=4.8175	
									2024-25=6.16	
									2025-26=0	
	Total Ganderbal	110196.60	0	377.8200	0	0	0	377.82	112.32	
8	Baramulla	77515.80	0	358.67	0	0	0	358.67	2019-20=10.75	0.46
									2020-21=13.219	
									2021-22=27.395	
									2022-23=36.48	
									2023-24=46.7535	
									2024-25=2.75	
									2025-26=12.22	
	Total Baramulla	77515.80	0	358.67	0	0	0	358.67	149.57	
9	Kupwara	175210.64	0.00	1169.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	1169.78	2019-20=10.56	0.66
									2020-21=277.735	
									2021-22=78.95	
									2022-23=172.88	
									2023-24=101.98	
									2024-25=63.02	
									2025-26=28.9	
	Total Kupwara	175210.64	0	1169.78	0	0	0	1169.78	734.03	
10	Srinagar	6721.92	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	-	0.00
	Total Srinagar	6721.92	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00
	G. Total UT J&K	1958278	0.00	19525.82	0.00	130.32	0.00	19656.14	2440.33	1.00

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