

## **WORKING PLAN**

The Working Plan of a Forest Division introduces the prescriptions proposed for the management of vast forest resources of the respective Division, while ensuring that the concerns for development are conformed simultaneously within the precincts of objectives laid for the Economic growth, Technological development, Sustainable Forests Management and Biodiversity Conservation.

The forests are managed as per the prescriptions laid down in a Working Plan / Scheme. Working Plan, for a forest unit contains a well-defined blueprint for the sustainable management of the specified forest area on scientific lines. The outline for management as prescribed is compliant with the laid policy for forest management and actions required thereof, for treatment of a forest unit while conserving the forest resources and biodiversity for perpetuity.

The prescriptions proposed invariably focus on the essence of National Forest Policy, keeping in view the changing global management trends viz., the concepts of climate change, REDD and REDD+, and related environmental issues while incorporating the provisions related to the international/global treaties as ratified by India, as per feasibility under local Indian conditions.

The Working Plans in West Bengal are now being prepared and revised (as and when due for revision) as per the National Working Plan Code 2014 since 1st April 2014 as mandatory. The achievement in this regard is the draft 3rd Working Plan of 24 Parganas (South) Division (in final stage) where the incorporation of Geographical Information System based Stock Maps of the Division for the first time are compiled in Volume – III of the Working Plan.

## **NATIONAL WORKING PLAN CODE 2014**

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