

1.1. HISTORY AND BACKGROUND OF THE ORGANISATION.

With Nagaland attaining Statehood on 1st December 1963, the State Forest Department inherited little of the Government owned forests which existed at that time which was earlier being managed by the Assam Forest Department. Initially, Forest administration and management was placed under the charge of a Forest Officer who had its headquarters at Dimapur. He was vested with the responsibilities of looking after the Forest administration of the entire State. Subsequently, a Director of Forests was posted in early 1963 with headquarters at Kohima. Later on, the post of the Director of Forests was re-designated as the Chief Conservator of Forests, Nagaland, Kohima.

During 1979, the Department was reorganized by splitting the single Forest Division into three (3) Territorial Forest Divisions namely, Kohima, Mokokchung and Tuensang, which has now expanded to seventeen (18) including 6 (six) Functional Divisions and 3 (two) Wildlife Divisions.

Owing to the decentralization and intensification of forest management which has resulted in the increase of volume of work particularly in the field of forest development, the Department has been recognized as a major department of the State and has been placed under the charge of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests who is also designated as the Head of Forest Force. At present, the Department is known as Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change with headquarters at Kohima.

1.2. FOREST DEPARTMENT:

The Administrative Head of Department (AHoD) is the Principal Secretary who is assisted by one Secretary, one OSD, one Addl. Secretary, two Under Secretaries, one Junior Section Officer, three Secretariat Assistants, two UDAs, one Steno, two Typists and Six Office Peons.

The Department is headed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, an officer belonging to the Indian Forest Service (IFS), The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force is assisted by other two (2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and are designated as PCCF (Chief Wildlife Warden) and PCCF (Wildlife, Biodiversity & Administration), four (4) Additional Chief Conservator of Forests (Addl. PCCFs) ,namely Addl. PCCF (Territorial), Addl. PCCF (Development & Planning), Addl. PCCF (Environment & Climate Change) and Addl. PCCF (Monitoring & Evaluation). They are in turn assisted by two (2) Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) namely Chief Conservator of Forests (Biodiversity) and Chief Conservator of Forests (Monitoring & Evaluation), also there are one (1) Conservator of Forests namely Conservator of Forests (Publicity & Training), and one (1) Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) namely DCF (Headquarters) attached to the PCCF's office.

1.2.1. CIRCLES:

There are two (2) Territorial Circles headed by a Conservator of Forests (CFs) namely Conservator of Forests, Northern Territorial Circle (CF, NTC) and Conservator of Forests, Southern Territorial Circle (CF, STC) with their headquarters at Kohima and Mokokchung respectively. The CF (NTC) has jurisdiction over Mon, Tuensang, Mokokchung and Zunheboto Divisions while CF (STC) has jurisdiction over Kohima, Dimapur, Phek, Wokha, Peren, Doyang Plantation Division, Wokha and Social Forestry Division, Kohima. There is a Functional Circle headed by the Conservator of Forests (Research, Planning & Utilization) with headquarters at Dimapur. The Forest Utilization Division, Dimapur, Working Plan Division, Kohima, Silviculture Division, Kohima and Director, State Environment & Forestry Training Institute (SEFTI) Dimapur work under CF, (RPU) administrative control.

In addition to the above, there is a Conservator of Forests as Field Director, Intanki National Park who is attached with the Chief Wildlife Warden's Office at Dimapur.

1.2.2. DIVISIONS:

There are seventeen (17) Forest Divisions in the Department, of which nine (9) are Territorial, namely Mon, Tuensang, Mokokchung, Zunheboto, Kohima, Dimapur, Phek, Wokha and Peren Divisions, and six (6) are Functional Divisions which include Social Forestry Division, Working Plan Division and Silviculture Division at Kohima and the Forest Utilization Division and the State Environment and Forestry Training Institute (SEFTI) at

Dimapur and the Doyang Plantation Division at Wokha. In addition to these, there are two (2) Wildlife Divisions, namely Wildlife Division, Dimapur and Wildlife Division, Kiphire functioning under the jurisdiction of Chief Wildlife Warden, Dimapur.

A Territorial Division is headed by a Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) an officer in the rank of Deputy Conservator of Forests, whilst Wildlife Divisions are headed by Wildlife Wardens (a Deputy Conservator of Forests level post). The State Environment and Forestry Training Institute (SEFTI) is headed by a Director in the rank of Deputy Conservator of Forests.

1.3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT:

- To achieve the mandate entrusted by the Government.
- To achieve & disseminate the need for conservation & preservation of Forests & Environment.
- To achieve the National Forest Policy's (NFP) objectives by conserving and preserving 66 % of the State's geographical area as forest and tree cover.
- To produce sufficient fuel wood & timbers for meeting the rural requirement.
- To educate people and create awareness on the importance of environment & ecological balance.
- To produce sufficient timber & make the State's economy forest based.
- To conserve the biological diversity of the State.
- To create employment opportunities in the forestry sector.
- To encourage people to plant trees in community & private lands & ensure preservation of forests through by partnership under JFM.
- To promote eco-tourism.
- To ensure and encourage in the State Protection, conservation & management of wildlife habitats.

1.4. MISSIONS/ VISIONS:

- To maintain environmental stability, ecological balance, conserve biodiversity and genetic resource of the State.
- To increase the forest cover in the State by encouraging involvement and participation of the people in protection, development of forest through various programs.
- To increase the productivity of forests by application of appropriate practices and technologies evolved after adequate silvicultural research i.e. planting stock improvement programme under which quality seedlings from seeds/ clones of superior trees species can be used for taking up plantation.
- To protect, develop and manage the forest resources on sustainable basis and to utilize the same to meet local domestic needs for forest products and to achieve economic growth, create employment opportunities and promote industrial development.
- Need-based strengthening of forest organization with facilities, equipments and personnel with emphasis on human resource development to achieve the above objectives.
- To protect, conserve and develop wildlife resources of the State.
- Generate awareness among the public the hazard and consequences of environmental pollutions.
- Tree plantation through jhum cultivation.

1.5. FUNCTIONS & DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT:

- To carry out the policies & programmes of the Government.
- To educate the people on the importance of conservation & preservation of forests vis-a-vis environmental degradation, global warming and climate change.
- Controlling & regulating extraction & transportation of forest produce in the State and outside.
- Collection of royalty & revenue on behalf of the State Government.
- Documentation of plant & animal species of the State.
- Production of NTFP's including medicinal plant species.
- Plantation of commercial & non-commercial timber species,
- Preservation of Flora & Fauna of the State.
- Enforcing laws & regulating of Acts & Rules pertaining to the Forests, wildlife and biodiversity.

1. Mokokchung Hq. 2. Tuli 3. Longchem 4. Longtho	1. Mangkolemba 2. Chantongya 3. Changchang	1. Kobulong (<i>attached to Mokokchung Range</i>)
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b. Tuensang Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Tuensang Hq. 2. Noklak 3. Longkhim 4. Longleng 5. Sitap 6. Kiphire	NIL	1. Pungro (<i>attached to Kiphire Range</i>) 2. Shamator (<i>attached to Tuensang Range</i>) 3. Chingmie (<i>attached to Tuensang Range</i>) 4. Noksen (<i>attached to Tuensang Range</i>)

c. Zunheboto Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Zunheboto 2. Suruhoto 3. Satakha 4. Akuluto 5. Pughoboto	1. Aghunato 2. Atoizu 3. V.K.	NIL

d. Mon Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Namsa 2. Naginimora 3. Mon Hq. 4. Tobu	1. Longching 2. Longshen 3. Aboi	NIL

1.7.2. DIVISIONS, RANGES AND BEATS UNDER SOUTHERN TERRITORIAL CIRCLE (STC):

a. Kohima Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Kohima Hq. 2. Chiephobozou 3. Tseminyu	NIL	1. Jakhama (<i>attached to Kohima Range</i>) 2. Sechü (Zübza) (<i>attached to Kohima Range</i>)

b. Dimapur Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Dimapur Hq. 2. Rangapahar 3. Chumukedima 4. Niuland 5. Kuhuboto	1. Medziphema 2. Piphema	NIL

c. Peren Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Peren Hq. 2. Jalukie 3. Ntu 4. Ngwalwa 5. Tening 6. Mbaulwa 7. Rubber Unit (HQ Jalukie)	1. Athibung 2. Khelma 3. Nsong	NIL

d. Phek Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Phek 2. Chazouba 3. Meluri 4. Pfutsero	1. Khezakeno 2. Chizami 3. Phungkhuri	Sekruzu (<i>attached to Chazouba Range</i>)

e. Wokha Division:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Wokha Hq. 2. Merapani 3. Baghty	1. Doyang 2. Changpang 3. Liphayan	NIL

f. Doyang Plantation Division, Wokha:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Doyang Afforestation Range	NIL	NIL

g. Social Forestry Division, Kohima:

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Social Forestry Range, Kohima	NIL	NIL

1.7.3. DIVISIONS UNDER FUNCTIONAL CIRCLE:

a) Siviculture Division, Kohima

1. Kohima Range
2. Dimapur Range
3. Mokokchung Range

b) Working Plan Division, Kohima

1. Kohima Range

c) State Environment & Forestry Training Institute, Dimapur

d) Forest Utilisation Division, Dimapur

1. Forest Utilisation Range, Dimapur

1.7.4. a. WILDLIFE DIVISIONS UNDER CHIEF WILDLIFE WARDEN (WITH DISTRICT-WISE JURISDICTION):

<i>Dimapur Wildlife Division:</i>	<i>Kiphire Wildlife Division:</i>
1. Dimapur District 2. Kohima District	1. Kiphire District 2. Tuensang District

3. Mokokchung District 4. Wokha District 5. Zunheboto District 6. Peren District	3. Longleng District 4. Mon District 5. Phek District
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1.7.4.b. WILDLIFE DIVISION, DIMAPUR

Ranges	Independent Beats	Beats (not independent)
1. Intanki A 2. Intanki B	Khelma	NIL

1.7.5. SANCTUARIES, NATIONAL PARKS AND ZOOLOGICAL PARKS:

- a. Dimapur:** Nagaland Zoological Park, Rangapahar
- b. Kiphire:** Fakim Wildlife Sanctuary
- c. Mon:** Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary
- d. Peren: Intanki** National Park.

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