

**MINUTES OF 21<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD TO REVIEW THE PRIVATE FOREST AREAS PROVISIONALLY IDENTIFIED BY STATE LEVEL EXPERT COMMITTEE (THOMAS AND ARAUJO COMMITTEE) ON 25.04.2024.**

A meeting of the Review Committee was held on 25/04/2024 at 11.00 am in the Conference Hall of the Forest Department, Van Bhavan, Altinho Panaji, Goa under the Chairmanship of Chief Conservator of Forests.

The following were present in the meeting:

1	Praveen Kumar Raghaw, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests.	Chairman
2	Shri Prem Kumar Singh, Representative of Additional Collector, (Revenue), North Goa District.	Member
3	Shri Nagesh Komarpant, Representative of the Directorate of Agriculture.	Member
5	Shri. Vishwas K. Chodankar, Asst. Conservator of Forests, Headquarters, North Goa Division.	Member
6	Shri. Dyaneshwar Kudalkar, Asst. Conservator of Forests, Headquarters, South Goa Division.	Member
7	Smt. Pratima Kavlekar, Representative of Director of Settlement and Land Records, Panaji Goa.	Member
8	Shri. Nandakumar E. Parab, IFS, Dy. Conservator of Forests, Working Plan Division, Panaji.	Member Secretary

Member Secretary welcomed all the members of the committee and informed that till the last meeting held on 07/03/2024, the committee has disposed off 2254 survey numbers out of total 3349 (3195 survey numbers provisionally identified plus 154 Survey number provisionally identified and

  
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excluded in its final report by State Level Expert Committee (also known as Thomas and Araujo Committee).

**Thereafter agenda-wise discussion was taken up and the following were decided**

**21.1 To Review of Survey numbers provisionally identified by Thomas And Araujo**

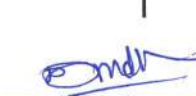
The Review committee discussed on the proceedings of public hearing held on 10/04/2024 and 25/04/2024 and finalized the area as detailed below:

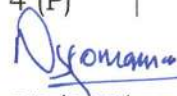
<b>SURVEY NUMBERS QUALIFYING THE CRITERIAS OF PRIVATE FORESTS</b>				
<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Taluka</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>Sy. No.</b>	<b>Qualifying Area in Ha.</b>
1	Sanguem	Patiem	23 (P)	6.26
2		Cumbari	19	9.90
3		Mugoli	43 (P)	8.13
4		Cotarli	21 (P)	19.86
5		Bhati	36/2-A(P)*	3.73 (13.78-10.05)*
6		Xelpem	18 (P)	1.63
7			19 (P)	6.27
8			20 (P)	0.40
9			21 (P)	5.68
10			22 (P)	5.24
11		Rumbrem	12 (P)	2.93
12			13 (P)	3.84
13		Portem	14	2.14
14			18	38.1
15			19	7.94
16			20	20.57
17			22 (P)	32.11
18			25	26.70
19			28	15.41
20		Sanvordem	43	4.00
21	Dharbandora	Pilliem	11 (P)	12.52
22		Cormonem	9 (P)	5.79
23			11 (P)	5.04
24			14 (P)	23.08
25			15 (P)	2.61
26	Ponda	Queula	1(P)	0.677
27			4 (P)	6.11

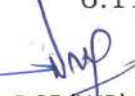
  
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28			10 (P)	3.88
29			51 (P)	0.74
30			53 (P)	4.339
31		Vagurbem	62 (P)	5.05
32	Sattari	Conquirem	29 (P)	35.45
33		Querim	21 (P)	4.62
34			29 (P)	7.3
35	Quepem	Naquerim	35 (P)	3.885
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>341.931 Ha.</b>

No representation / objection has been received in survey numbers at sr.no. 1, 2, 4, 5 (in additional area), 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 34.

The letter no. 5/SLEC/Private-Forest/DCFN/TECH/2023-24/1471/2233 dated 17/11/2023 received from the Deputy Conservator of Forest, North Goa Division informing that the property-owners restricted to carry out the work as per direction of the Review committee as mentioned in the proceeding dated 05.05.2022 is placed before committee.

The member secretary briefed the proceeding dated 05.05.2022 as under:

- The subcommittee submitted a plan of 12.52 Ha which was placed for the hearing dated 30/06/2021. The objector objected saying that his property is not qualified for private forest criteria and that some portion identified as private forest is falling inside the quarry mine and demanded for resurvey. Accordingly, the Review Committee directed the sub-committee to conduct re survey.
- After resurvey, the subcommittee submitted a revised plan admeasuring 10.89 Ha. and heard the objectors on 05/05/2022.
- The review committee did not agree for the plan of 10.89 Ha as seen through google timeline that the quarry mine is gradually extending towards the forest area and therefore redirected the subcommittee to resurvey and also for 100 percent enumeration near the quarry mine.

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But as the objector / co-owners has restricted the sub-committee members to carry out resurvey, it is decided to consider the original plan of 12.52 Ha. as final.

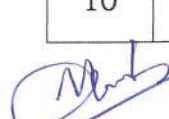
The review committee, thus finalizes an area of 341.931Ha. as private forest.

**20.2: Review of survey numbers which are not qualifying the criteria of Private Forest.**


**20.2.1. Survey numbers which were provisionally identified by Thomas and Araujo Committee in its report**

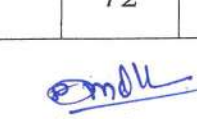
The review committee reviewed the survey numbers, after detailed analysis through Google Timeline change corroborated by LISS III FCM 2012-13, Division offence case, Tree Felling, FCA & Court order etc. found that the following survey numbers does not fulfil the criteria of private forests.

<b>SURVEY NUMBERS REVIEWED &amp; FINALISED AS NON-QUALIFYING THE CRITERIA OF PRIVATE FOREST</b>				
<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Taluka</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>Sy. No.</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
1	Dharbandora	Codli	4	
2			5	
3			61	
4			62	
5			64	
6			65	
7			66	
8			69	
9			70	
10			72	

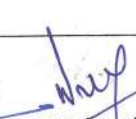
  
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11			74	
12			75	
13			77	
14			80	
15			81	
16		Camorconda	23	
17			4	
18		Bandoli	64	
19			80	
20			81	
21			83	
22			85	
23			89	
24			90	
25			107	
26		Cormonem	16	
27	Canacona	Canacona	59	
28		Agonda	108	
29		Cola	97	
30			168	
31			289	
32			295	
33			297	
34			339	
35			298	
36			300	
37			211	
38		Poinguinim	235	
39			247	
40			125	
41			157	

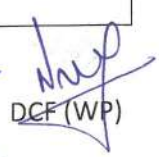
  
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42		Loliem	180		
43			319		
44			326		
45			348		
46			354		
47			355		
48			356		
49			357		
50	Quepem	Naquerim	81	White patch as per FSI	
51			97	Area Criteria	
52			99		
53			103		
54			47	Unclassed Forest in Government records	
55			48		
56			Balli	100	
57			Adnem	89	Reserved Forest
58			Adnem	96	
59			Xic Xelvona	18	
60				19	
61			Xelvona	30	
62				25	Area Criteria
63			Cacora	50	
64			Zanodem	22(P)	The area is partly demarcated by earlier demarcation team and balance area does not qualify for the criteria of Private Forest
65			Molcornem	63	
66				84	
67				85	
68		87			

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70			89		
71			90		
72			91		
73			105		
74			106		
75			107		
76			108		
77			109		
78			110		
79			12		
80			22		
81			60		
82			17		
83	Quepem	Pirla	20		
84			54		
85		Cazur	6		
86		Undorna	3		
87			4		
88		Undorna	7		
89			12		
90			Sulcorna	45	
91		46			
92		31			
93		Maina	27	White patch as per FSI	
94			42		
95		Sanguem	Colomba	91	
96			Curpem	6	
97	13				
98	14				
99	15				

  
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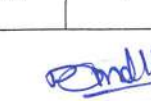
  
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100			18	
101			19	
102			22	
103			34	
104		Salalulim	36	
105			39	
106			50	Area crietria
107		Uguem	56	
108			57	
109			42	
110			46	
111			54	
112			67	
113		Patiem	48	
114		Mugoli	4	
115			9	
116			42	
117			48	
118		Sanvordem	66	
119			71	Area criteria
120			72	
121		Comproi	15	Area criteria
122		Coranguinim	8	
123			9	
124			11	
125			12	
126			13	
127			16	White Patch as per FSI
128			17	
129			21	
130		Antoriem	4	

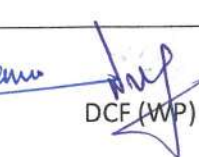
  
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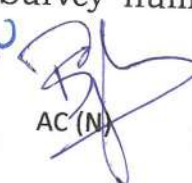



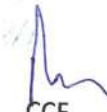
  
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131			6	
132			7	
133			8	
134			9	
135			12	
136			14	The area under survey number 14(P) i.e. 14/1 does not qualify whereas balance area of survey number 14(P) i.e 14/2 is unclassified forest as per government records.
137			16	
138			17	
139			18	
140			19	
141			20	
142			15	
143		Rumbrem	26	
144			6	White Patch as per FSI
145		Naiquinim	27	
146		Cumbari	24	
147			46	
148		Bhati	24	
149			15	
150		Potrem	18	
151			18	
152			21	
153		Todoou	22	Area criteria
154			26	

Total 154 Survey numbers are found to be non-qualifying for the

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criteria of Private Forest.

Further, the committee discussed three representations received from the individuals for immediate identification of the survey numbers as private forest.

1. CONCERN CITIZENS OF BORIM AND OTHER PARTS OF GOA

Survey numbers requested for inclusion in private forest in above representation are 3, 26,27, 28, 35, 36, 37, 45, 46, 47, 48, 52, 54 of Queula village and 352, 353, 355, 356, 357 of Borim village of Ponda taluka.

With respect to this, the factual position is as under

- i) 3, 26, 27, 36, 45, 47, 52, 54 of Queula village and 352, 353, 355, 356 of Borim village are not identified by Thomas Committee.
- ii) Survey number 46 of Queula village is already reviewed by RC II and mention as area does not qualify in its 1<sup>st</sup> part final report.
- iii) Survey number 357 of Borim village is partly demarcated as private forest by forest demarcation team and not identified by Thomas committee.
- iv) Survey number 28, 35, 37, 46, 48 is yet to be reviewed by RC II.

2. CONCERN CITIZENS OF CAMURLIM AND OTHER PARTS OF GOA

Survey numbers requested for inclusion in private forest in above representation are 169, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180 of Camurlim village of Salcete taluka.

With respect to this, the factual position is as under

- i) Survey number 169, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179 is already reviewed by RC II and mention as area does not qualify in its 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> part final report.

  
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ii) Survey number 180 of Camurlim village is partly demarcated by demarcation team and is yet to be reviewed by RC II.

### 3. CONCERN CITIZENS OF ASSAGAO AND OTHER PARTS OF GOA

Survey numbers requested for inclusion in private forest in above representation are 123, 125, 128, 129, 130, 132, 133, 134 of Assagao village of Bardez taluka

With respect to this, the factual position is as under

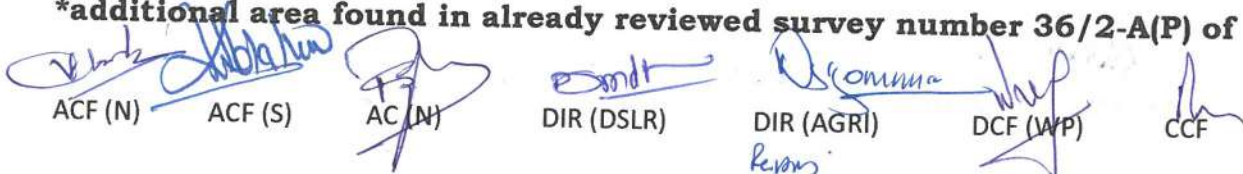
- i) Survey number 123, 125, 134 are not identified by Thomas Committee.
- ii) Survey number 128, 129, 130, 132, 133 is already reviewed by RC II and mention as area does not qualify in its 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> part final report.

Accordingly, it is decided that some of the survey numbers are not identified by Thomas and Araujo Committee and some are already reviewed by RC I and RC II will not be reviewed again. And that survey numbers which are identified by Thomas and Araujo Committee will only be reviewed.

**The Review committee in this meeting has reviewed a total of 189(+1\*) survey numbers (out of which 34 survey numbers is qualifying for criteria of Private Forest, \*while additional area is found in 1 survey number which had already been identified as private forest by RC II in its Sixth Part Final Report and now since additional area of 3.73 Ha. is found in the same survey number, so this additional area of 3.73 Ha in this survey number is identified as private forest, 151 survey numbers are not qualifying for the criteria of Private Forest and 3 survey numbers are already recorded as "Forest" in government records (1 reserve forest & 2 unclassified forest)**

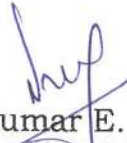
**Thus, the committee identified an area of 341.931 Ha.**

**\*additional area found in already reviewed survey number 36/2-A(P) of**

  
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**Bhati village.**

Meeting ended with the thanks to the chair.

  
(Nandakumar E. Parab)  
Dy. Conservator of Forests,  
Working Plan Division &  
Member Secretary  
Panaji-Goa.

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Date: 23/05/2024

To,

1. The Chief Conservator of Forests and Chairman of the Private Forest Review Committee, Goa Van Bhavan, Panaji, Goa.
2. The Director of Settlement & Land Records, Panaji, Goa.
3. The Director of Agriculture Panaji, Goa.
4. The Dy Conservator of Forests, Head Quarter, Van Bhavan, Panaji, Goa.
5. The Additional Collector South, Revenue Department, Margao, South.
6. The Additional Collector North, Revenue Department, Panaji, North.
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