#### MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

#### OF

## WEST BENGAL FOREST AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION SOCIETY

#### 1. Name:

The name of the association shall be "West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Society".

## 2. Registered Office and Area of Operation:

- (i) The registered office of the association shall be situated at Aranya Bhawan, Block: LA, Plot No. 10A, Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata -700098
- (ii) The area of operation shall be the whole of West Bengal.

## 3. Objectives:

The objectives of the association shall be:

- (i) To initiate massive afforestation and Social Forestry programmes for regeneration and development of degraded forests and wasteland and to increase the forest/tree cover in keeping with the guidelines of National Forest Policy, 1988;
- (ii) To increase the productivity of forests by scientific management and application of improved technology;
- (iii) To improve forest ecosystem and conserve biodiversity by undertaking afforestation, regeneration and wildlife management activities through Joint Forest Management;
- (iv) To augment the availability of Non-timber forest produce including fuel wood, fodder and grasses from the regenerated areas;
- (v) To facilitate and/or supplement the management of the Government controlled Forests/ National Parks/ Sanctuaries/ Reserves in West Bengal as may be specifically required, from time to time, by the Government;
- (vi) To undertake and co-ordinate various research programmes on forestry and wild life either through Govt. departments, or in collaboration with reputed institutions or organizations in India or abroad:
- (vii) To function as the technical, advisory and coordinating body for the implementation of various programmes and schemes related to afforestation and biodiversity conservation, undertaken through the Govt departments and/ or other similar establishments/ organizations in West Bengal and to monitor the works implemented;
- (viii) To improve livelihood opportunities and alleviating poverty in the forest fringe areas through forest development and biodiversity conservation works;
- (ix) To develop institutional and individual capacity and skill, with regard to forest and wildlife conservation and sustainable development;
- (x) To generate awareness about the rich biodiversity by organizing programmes, exhibitions, seminars, etc. and publishing journals, bulletins, etc.
- (xi) To promote dissemination of information on conservation of biodiversity;
- (xii) To access funds from Govt. departments, NGOs or reputed institutions/organizations for implementation of schemes/programmes in consonance with the objectives of the society;
- (xiii) To seek business and consultancies, in keeping with the letter and spirit of the objectives of the Society.
- (xiv) To carry out any further activities in the furtherance of the above objectives.

# 4. Governing Body:

The names and designations of the members of the Governing Body of the Society are as follows:

	Name	Designation
(i)	Dr. Subesh Kr. Das, IAS Addl Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal,	Chairperson
(ii)	Department of Forests, Writers' Building Kolkata – 700 001 Sri M.A. Sultan, IFS Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Head of Forest Force, West Bengal	Member
(iii)	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri S.B. Mondal, IFS Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal Bikash Bhawan, North Block, Third Floor	Member
(iv)	Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 091  Dr. A.K. Raha, IFS  Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, West Bengal  Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III	Member
(v)	Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri Dipankar Saha, IAS Special Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal, Department of	Member
(vi)	Finance, Writers' Building, Kolkata – 700 001 Smt. Bandana Bondyopadhyay, IAS Special Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal, Department of	Member
(vii)	Forests, Writers' Building, Kolkata – 700 001 Sri S.S. Bist, IFS Managing Director West Bengal Forest Development	Member
(viii)	Corporation Ltd. 6 A Raja Subodh Mallick Square, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Kolkata – 700 013 Sri R. Sinha, IFS Managing Director West Bengal Wasteland Development Corporation Ltd.	Member
(ix)	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri N.C. Bahuguna, IFS Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Human Resource Development and Vigilance, West Bengal	Member
(x)	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri M. Pandey, IFS Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, - looking after Social Forestry	Member
(xi)	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri N.K. Pandey, IFS Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, - looking after Research & Training	Member
(xii)	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098 Sri S. Dhaundyal, IFS Project Director, WBFBC Project Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098	Member- Secretary

#### 5. Declaration:

We, the several persons whose names, signatures and addresses are given hereunder are desirous of being formed into an Association in accordance with the provisions of the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, 1961, in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association and in testimony of this we have subscribed our respective names and signatures hereto on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, in the year 2012.

SI.	Name, Office and Address	Designation	Signature
No.			
1.	Dr. Subesh Kr. Das, IAS	Chairperson	0000
	Addl Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Department		
2.	of Forests, Writers' Building, Kolkata – 700 001 Sri S.B. Mondal, IFS	Member	. ^
2.	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and Chief	Member	1 0.1
	Wildlife Warden, West Bengal, Bikash Bhawan, North Block,		Kilmilm
	Third Floor, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 091		(100)
3.	Dr. A.K. Raha, IFS	Member	
	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, West Bengal		W_
	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III, Salt Lake City,		
1	Kolkata – 700 098		
4.	Sri R. Sinha, IFS  Managing Director West Bengal Wasteland Development	Member	10 00
	Corporation Ltd., Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III		Resole
	Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098	*	
5.	Sri U.K. Bhattacharya, IFS	Member	1 10
	Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,		alole acho
	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III, Salt Lake City,		Oxistan of
-	Kolkata – 700 098		
6.	Sri Dipankar Saha, IAS Special Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal, Department of	Member	
	Finance, Writers' Building, Kolkata – 700 001		Kala
7.	Sri M. Pandey, IFS	Member	1
	Addl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,		
	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III, Salt Lake City,		
	Kolkata – 700 098		
8.	Sri S. Dhaundyal, IFS	Member-	
	Project Director, WBFBC Project	Secretary	Mhallndup
	Aranya Bhawan, Block LA-10A, Sector – III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 098		1
	Notice 700 050		

# Witness

The above persons have signed in our presence.

Signature

Name

Address

Date

Signature

Name

Address

Date

: SAURABH CHAUDHURI

S. CHAUDHURI, I.F.S CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,

Finance Finance Directorate of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal

P&G WEST BENGAL

: Conservator of Forest, Parks and Garden Circle; Geor of N.B.
Directorate of Forest, EdenGarden, Kothela-700031

: 05/07/2012