

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
DEPARTMENT OF FOREST**

**NOTIFICATION**

**No: 1048-For**

**Date: 09-05-2012**

*Whereas* the Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal, is mandated for conservation of the existing forests and for restoration of the degraded forests in the State of West Bengal,

*And whereas* it has been the intention of the State Government to strengthen the Joint Forest Management, to arrest land degradation and also to enhance the capacity of local people for higher income generation, thereby improving the livelihood for forest dwellers and other forest dependent communities,

*And whereas* in order to achieve the objectives mentioned above the Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal has decided to implement the **West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project (WBFBC Project)** with financial support from the Government of Japan,

*And whereas* it has been necessary and appropriate to adopt an integrated approach to implement the project,

*Now, therefore,* the State Government in terms of the above; hereby constitutes a High Power Committee with the members mentioned below for the **West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project (WBFBC Project)**.

(i)	Chief Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal,	Chairperson
(ii)	Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal, Department of Forests	Member
(iii)	Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal Department of Finance	Member
(iv)	Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal Department of Panchayat & Rural Development	Member
(v)	Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal Department of Planning	Member
(vi)	Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal Department of Backward Class Welfare	Member
(vii)	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Head of Forest Force, West Bengal	Member
(viii)	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, General, West Bengal	Member
(ix)	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal	Member
(x)	Project Director, WBFBC Project	Member-Secretary

1. Secretary of the Department means Additional Chief Secretary, Principal Secretary, or Secretary of the Department, as the case may be..
2. The HPC will act as the highest decision-making body for the **WBFBC Project** and will review the progress of implementation of the Project.
3. The HPC will also integrate and synergize the efforts of various departments and other institutions for the smooth and effective implementation of the **WBFBC Project**.
4. The High Power Committee shall meet at least once in a year. Minimum of four members shall form the quorum for the meetings of the High Power Committee.
5. The committee can co-opt any other member, if required.

**Sd/- Samar Ghosh**  
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

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- 1/ The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.
- 2/ The Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Department of Forests.
- 3/ The Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Finance Department.
- 4/ The Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, P & R.D Department.
- 5/ The Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Planning Department.
- 6/ The Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, B.C.W Department.
- 7/ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), West Bengal.
- 8/ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, General, West Bengal.
- 9/ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wildlife, C.W.L.W, West Bengal.
- 10/ The Project Director, W.B.F.B.C Project.



**Additional Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.**