



GOVERNMENT OF GOA
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No. 01/DCFN/Valuation-PJM/2024-25/345

Dated:- 27/02/2025

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To,
The Chief General Manager,
Imagine Panaji Smart City Development Limited,
Adil Shah Palace, Old Secretariat,
Panaji Goa.

Sub.:- Permission to fell 01 No. of Badam tree at PTS No. 36 Ch. No. 318 in Panaji City in Tiswadi taluka standing infront of Cafe Bhonsle Square area.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dtd. 30/01/2025 on the subject cited above and since as per official Gazette of Govt. of Goa dtd. 07/10/2022, the GPTA, 1984 was amended (point No. 9 Amendment of Section 30) and made applicable to Government land, also permission of Forest Department is hereby conveyed for felling of 01 Nos. of Badam tree under at PTS No. 36 Ch. No. 318 in Panaji City in Tiswadi taluka standing infront of Cafe Bhonsle Square area, subject to the following Terms and Conditions:-

1. In case of any claim/litigation about the ownership of the trees/land in question, the User Agency will be solely responsible.
2. The cutting of trees shall be carried out after receipt of all other statutory permissions from competent authority, as applicable.
3. Date of beginning for felling of trees is to be intimated to Range Forest Officer, Panaji well in advance, after marking is done.
4. A separate register showing details of felling (Tree No., number of logs made out of each tree etc.) needs to be maintained by the user agency. The same shall be produced to the officer inspecting the site.

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5. The actual tree felling shall be carried out after 30 days from the date of issue of this tree felling permission. The tree felling may be completed within 45 days after completing 30 days as mentioned above. Incase trees felling not completed within 45 days' application for extension of time limit for felling of trees, shall be forwarded to this office through concern Range Forest Officer.
6. To compensate the loss, User Agency/Applicant is hereby advised to plant 03 Nos. tall saplings with good endurance with minimum 8-10 feet height and 10 cm diameter at 1 mtr. height from ground level.
7. UA shall ensure three times re-planting of suitable tree species (i.e., 1 x 3 = 03 nos.) and maintain thereafter for 5 years at their cost and report compliance to this office.
8. The User Agency shall follow all the conditions in judgment of Hon'ble High Court of Bombay at Goa's order dated 08/07/2021 in the matter of Public Interest Litigation Writ Petition No. 8 of 2021 (Living Heritage Foundation v/s State of Goa).

User Agency has paid tree felling fees and Security Deposit of Rs. 3,400/- vide UPI No. 505813901416 dtd. 27/02/2025 towards Tree felling fess and in Favor of "Tree Protection Fund-Goa" and the amount of Security Deposit is refundable on compliance of replantation of 03 Nos. of trees.



Yours faithfully,


Dy. Conservator of Forests,
North Goa Division,
Ponda -Goa.

Encl.:- List of tree.

Copy to:-

1. The Range Forest Officer, Panaji w.r.t. letter No. 12-A/RFO/PJM/2024-25/2470 dated 07/02/2025 for information and necessary action.

"Swachh Bharat, NitalGoem"
"Towards Greener & Cleaner Goa".