

Prescribed Format for information

Sr. No.	Aspect		Details												
1.	Name of the State/UT		Goa State												
2.	Number of forest fire incidents in 2025 in the State/UT		10 Nos. of forest fire incidents in Notified forest area, which are in ground fire only.												
3.	Causes for the forest fires, specified separately under the categories of natural, man-made, or any other reason (the reason may be specified)														
	Natural Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents	NIL												
		Cause													
	Manmade Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents	NIL												
		Cause													
	Others Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents	10 Nos.												
		Cause	Exact causes not known.												
4	Measures taken to remedy the damage caused by forest fires		Annexure - I												
	Natural Forest Fire														
	Manmade Forest Fire														
	Other Forest Fire														
5	Preventive measures proposed for 2025 and subsequent years		Annexure - II												
	Natural Forest Fire														
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6	Budget amount allocated for undertaking remedial measures for remedying the damage caused by forest fires during the year 2025, with details regarding the adequacy of the amount and modes of utilization;		2024-2025 <table><tr><th></th><th>Budget Amount Allocated (Rs. In Lakhs)</th><th>Expenditure (Rs. In Lakhs) till March 2025</th></tr><tr><td>CSS:FFPM</td><td>4.425</td><td>3.42</td></tr><tr><td>CAMPA</td><td>183.63</td><td>180.80</td></tr><tr><td>STATE</td><td>135.33</td><td>105.19</td></tr></table>		Budget Amount Allocated (Rs. In Lakhs)	Expenditure (Rs. In Lakhs) till March 2025	CSS:FFPM	4.425	3.42	CAMPA	183.63	180.80	STATE	135.33	105.19
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Measures taken by State Government to control Forest fire are as below;

- 1) A State Action plan on Forest Fire is in place for Goa, which act as guiding principle to deal with forest fire.
- 2) A state level monitoring committee headed by PCCF periodically reviews the inter department preparedness of the divisions/district administration/ fire department to manage the forest fire.
- 3) Pre fire season exercise like *fire line cutting, control burning, engagement of fire watchers, creation of infrastructure such as protection camp, watch tower etc* are undertaken in vulnerable areas to ward off the occurrence of forest fire incidence.
- 4) All the field divisions of the department are equipped with required tools, machineries as well-trained manpower for containing forest fire. SDMA and Fire department along with local bodies are kept on high alert for immediate intervention.
- 5) Awareness is created amongst the owners of cashew Orchard/farmers through Directorate of Agriculture by releasing Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) in vernacular language to control and manage fire kindled for cultural operations in cashew/horticultural orchard or paddy field, located near the forest areas.

Awareness creation activity are conducted annually before summer sets in to sensitise the fringe communities about ill effects of fire and train them in assisting forest department as and when required.

- 6) The Goa Forest Department is a part of the near real time Forest Fire Alert System of Forest Survey of India, MoEF & CC, GOI, to get regular fire alerts from the FSI indicating the actual location of forest fire on near real time basis. It helps the field staff to locate and reach to fire spot within a short time and to douse the fire.
- 7) Setting up of Fire Control room on 24 x 7 basis during fire season to disseminate fire information at field level. Also toll free no 1926 has been made operational for public to inform fire incident/rescue operation to the Department.



Preventive measures proposed for 2025 and subsequent years are as below;

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- 3) Automatic Weather Station have been installed to monitor climatic factors which influences occurrences of favourable conditions for forest fires.
- 4) All divisions (Territorial and Wildfire) have conducted Mock drill exercises alongwith other stakeholders departments such as Police, Panchayat, Fire & Emergency Services etc. to understand prevention and management of Forest fires.
- 5) The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) in local vernacular languages prepared by Directorate of Agriculture were distributed amongst Cashew growers to prevent fire from cashew orchard exist on fringes of forest areas.
- 6) Public awareness programmes created on fire prevention and Management in forest area.

