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**Dated:- 22/01/2026
Magha 02, Saka, 1947**

To,
Shri Sagar Baban Naik Borkar,
Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Borim,
Borim, Ponda-Goa.

Sub.:- Permission to cut trees for construction of MRF shed for garbage plant at Borim village in Ponda taluka.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 02/12/2025, 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 20 Nos. of trees under Sy. No. 352/0 in Borim village in Ponda taluka, for construction of MRF shed for garbage plant at Borim, Ponda Goa, 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, Ponda 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.

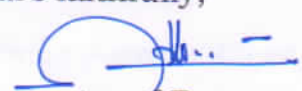
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5. To compensate the loss, User Agency/Applicant is hereby advised to plant 60 Nos. tall saplings with good endurance with minimum 8-10 feet height and 10 cm diameter at 1 mtr. height from ground level under Sy. No. 352/0 Borim village in Ponda taluka.
6. UA shall ensure three times re-planting of suitable tree species (i.e., 20 x 03 = 60 nos.) and maintain thereafter for 5 years at their cost and report compliance to this office.
7. 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). Felling shall be carried out only after 30 days from the date of issuance of this order.
8. User Agency shall abide by all the Undertakings submitted along with the application for obtaining this permission.

User Agency has paid tree felling and Security Deposit of Rs. 68,000/- vide NEFT No. IOBAN26022168089 dtd. 22/01/2026, through Indian Overseas Bank, Borim Branch, in Favor of "Tree Protection Fund-Goa" and the amount of Security Deposit is refundable on compliance of replantation of 60 Nos. of trees.



Yours faithfully,


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

Encl.:- List of trees.

Copy to:-

1. The Range Forest Officer, Ponda w.r.t. letter No. RFO/PON/14/TMB/2025-26/1710 dated 09/01/2026 for information and necessary action.

"Swachh Bharat, Nital Goem"
"Towards Greener & Cleaner Goa".