

**GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HOFF
MANIPUR:IMPHAL**

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Imphal, the 15th September, 2018

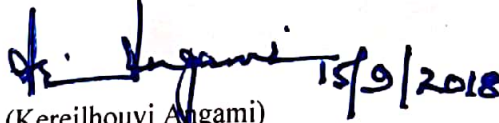
PREVENTION OF FOREST FIRES

Memo No. 1/62/2018/Forests: Colossal damage to forests, forest regeneration, plantations, wildlife etc. is caused due to fire. Every year instructions are issued to prevent fire damage by keeping constant watch, preparing fire lines around the younger plantations etc. Many a times, fire spread while doing control burning of fire lines. Jhum fires get wild and spread over the forests in the hills. There is tendency to set fire intentionally to the forest floor for new flush of forest growth for grazing and hunting of wild animals.

Special and extensive campaign and drive is to be organised against serious damage due to fire and its other adverse effects on the weather and environmental conditions, soil, moisture, agricultural production etc. This issue should be repeatedly discussed in all FDA & JFMC meetings and help of JFMCs, Panchayats, Village Authorities and people should be sought for. Firefighting teams should be set up at the Divisional, Range and Beat Office level.

Hence-forth no control burning of fire line should be done. Fire lines should be cleared by spade as per approved specification and the dry materials should be thrown away in the outer periphery of the fire line. During jhum felling and jhum burning jhumias should be personally contacted to clear wide fire line around each jhum and ensure that jhum fires do not spread outside in the adjoining areas.

The above instruction be strictly complied with.


(Kereilhouvi Angami) 15/9/2018

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Copy to:

- 1. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister (Forest & Evt) Govt. of Manipur.**
- 2. Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests & Evt.), Govt. of Manipur.**
- 3. PCCF (Wildlife)/ PCCF(CC & FCA)**
- 4. All APCCFs**
- 5. All Territorial Chief Conservator of Forests /CCF(Wildlife) for information & n/action.**
- 6. All Territorial Conservator of Forests to ensure implementation of directions.**
- 7. All DFOs/DCFs/Directors for information and necessary compliance on PRIORITY**