

PREFACE

In compliance of the directions issued by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 4-9-2009 in CM Nos. 12170 and 13502 of 2009 in CWP No. 20134 and 13502 of 2004, notifications issued under sections 4 and or 5 of Punjab Land Preservation Act, 1900 (PLPA, 1900) in Haryana are collected in this compendium.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court has considered the section 4 and or 5 areas as 'forests' and such areas can not be used for non-forestry purposes unless prior approval of the Central Government is obtained. Even those areas whose period of notifications has expired are also considered as forest areas. In this compilation, December 31, 2009 is taken as a cut-off date simply for the sake of putting some date whether a notification is still in force or not, though expiration of a notification will not make any material impact on the applicability of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or Indian Forest Act, 1927 in view of the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

The Government of Haryana issued a notification dated 29-01-1993 under section 4 of PLPA, 1900 for Kalka and Panchkula Tehsils. Areas of different villages involved in this notification are yet to be ascertained.

Typed copies of the notifications included in this compendium were supplied by the respective territorial Divisional Forest Officers and their Conservator of Forests but putting them together in the present form was not possible without the active help of Sh. Dalbir Singh, Kanungo, North Circle, and painstaking efforts of Sh. Rajender Kumar, Steno-typist of the Naib-Tehsildar Branch of the PCCF office and Sh. Krishan Kumar, Computer Operator who worked devotedly during the holidays and after office hours.

I hope that this compilation will be found useful by the general public and by various arms of the Government like Dept. of Mines & Geology, Dept. of Industries, Dept. of Town and Country Planning, HSIIDC, HUDA, etc. It may also prove to be a handy document for the forest officers and field staff in survey and demarcation of section 4 and or 5 areas and in resolving disputes.

Though every care is taken in typing the notifications but as is inevitable in such cases some discrepancy or typographical error might have been crept in which may be ignored and the published Gazette notification should be considered as the authentic document.

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