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## ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF BHUTAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS AND PARK SERVICES THIMPHU: BHUTAN



No. DoFPS/FRMD/FRUS/2(a)/2022-2023/ /99 Notification

August 18, 2022

This is to notify the general public that the Natural Resources Pricing Committee (NRPC) in the year 2020 had revised and fixed the selling price of timber (log, pole and sawn timber of both A class and B class timber species), sand and stone in the country. Subsequently, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests vide MoAF/SEC/5/2020-2021/344 dated 03/06/2020 notified to the general public about the implementation of the NRPC approved selling prices for timber (log, pole and sawn timber), sand and stone in the country. The above NRPC approved selling prices will remain valid till it is further revised by the NRPC. A copy of the above notification is appended for information and awareness of the general public.

The NRPC approved selling price for timber, sand and stone is the Maximum Retail Price. Hence, selling of the above-mentioned forest produces above the NRPC approved selling price is illegal and liable for punishment as per the Consumer Protection Act of Bhutan 2012. However, there is no issue if it is sold below the NRPC approved selling price.

Therefore, if any sawmill or Integrated Wood-based Industry, which is allowed to sell only sawn timber, is charging more than the NRPC approved selling price for sawn timber of A class and B class timber species or if Natural Resources Development Corporation Ltd. (NRDCL) is charging more than the NRPC approved selling prices for the above-mentioned forest produces, the concerned individual/agency is requested to kindly report the matter to the nearest forest office or to the Office of the Consumer Protection, Ministry of Economic Affairs.

(Lobzang Dorji)

## Director

## Copy to:

- 1. Hon'ble Minister, MoAF, Thimphu for kind information.
- 2. Hon'ble Secretary, MoAF, Thimphu for kind information.
- 3. Hon'ble Secertary, MoEA, Thimphu for kind information.
- 4. Director General, OCP, MoEA, Thimphu for kind information.
- 5. Dasho Dzondags, all 20 Dzongkhags for kind information with the request to inform all the Sectors and Gewogs.
- 6. Chief Executive Officer, NRDCL, Thimphu for kind information and necessary action.
- 7. President, AWBI, Thimphu for kind information and necessary action.
- 8. Chief Forestry Officers, all Divisional Forest Offices and Park Office to accordingly inform all the field offices, other agencies and general public under their respective jurisdictions.
- 9. Chief Forestry Officers, all Functional Divisions, DoFPS for information and necessary action.