

## NETWORK FOR CERTIFICATION AND CONSERVATION OF FORESTS

(A Society Registered under Society Registration Act, 1860)

### MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

#### 1. NAME OF THE SOCIETY

The name of the society shall be "**NETWORK FOR CERTIFICATION AND CONSERVATION OF FORESTS (NCCF)**" which shall be registered under the societies Registration act of 1860 and the Rule Framed there under

#### 2. REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE SOCIETY

The registered office of the society shall be situated in Delhi at EPCH House, Pocket 6 & 7, L.C.S Vasant Kunj, New Delhi- 110070

#### 3. AREA OF OPERATION OF THE SOCIETY

The area of operation of the society shall be whole of India

#### 4. AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY

The aims and objects to be pursued by the Society are-

- I. To develop standards for forest and forest certification that is compatible and conforming to the national statutes and legal framework.
- II. To Support and develop the standard-setting process by establishing the standard development groups in formulating standards related to the Timber, Non Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) and Medicinal Plants certification.
- III. To Promote management system certification of Forest and Forest Produce, inspection, validation and verification in accordance with the applicable certification standards;
- IV. To act as the National Governing Body having the overall responsibility for the Network for Certification and Conservation of Forests (NCCF) in the country.



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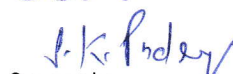
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- V. To develop, operate, manage and promote mechanisms, standards, procedures and guidelines to combat climate change and it's impacts thereof, reduce net Greenhouse gas emissions, while achieving sustainable development.
- VI. To bridge the gap between policy makers and practioners including entrepreneurs on issues that emerges on trade and other related aspects of forests and forest produce and services
- VII. To formulate a code for voluntary accreditation of forest certification bodies
- VIII. To provide a platform for bringing together bodies/government/non-government organizations/persons/institutions/stakeholders for promoting forest and forest produce certification schemes for long term security of forest resources
- IX. To process and Develop the appropriate monitoring and assessment activities to assess the condition of the forest, management activities and their social and environmental impacts
- X. To Develop rigorous procedures and standards to evaluate whether certification bodies) can provide an independent and competent forest evaluation (certification) service.
- XI. To formulate a forest certification schemes which is compatible with international frameworks for certification accreditation and standards setting based on globally applicable principles that balances economic, ecological and equity dimensions of forest management.
- XII. To increase public awareness especially of key stake holders through various measures and disseminate information about benefits, processes and global developments about independent forest certification
- XIII. To maintain forest and forest produce containing environmental and social values that are considered to be of outstanding significance or critical importance.
- XIV. To promote certification of natural forests, including protected areas to support effective management of these areas for environment services such as carbon store, recreational/eco-tourism, watershed services and biodiversity for the human well being.

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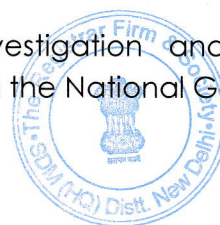
- XV. To develop national standards for credible certification mechanism including the development of singly national standards that can be endorsed by several systems if appropriate.
- XVI. To provide a link between responsible production and responsible consumption and help the consumer to make socially and environmentally responsible buying decisions.
- XVII. To Process applications for Network For Certification and Conservation of Forests (NCCF), notification of certification Bodies (CBs) operating forest management system and/or chain-of-custody certification and issuance of logo usage licenses to Certificate Holders.
- XVIII. To provide training and education to the beneficiaries in the areas of execution of environmental planning, environmental (including biophysical and social) impact assessment, and related areas.
- XIX. To provide assistance to the industry and commerce to implement relevant systems and adopt practices that minimize impacts on human health and the environment;
- XX. To promote various approaches and best practices of responsible wood trade in the context of increased environmental measures in both domestic and international market.
- XXI. To promote the expanded application of certification to non-timber forest products and environmental services provided by forests and addressing climate change issues through supporting relevant programmes reduced emissions from deforestation and degradation (REDD plus), Afforestation and Reforestation
- XXII. To liaise closely with the national accreditation body and other certification organizations in matters related to Forest and Forest Produce certification.
- XXIII. To coordinate with national, regional and international bodies related to Forest and Forest Produce certification to facilitates cooperation and mutual recognition arrangements.
- XXIV. To implement a procedure for the investigation and resolution of complaints and appeals related to its role as the National Governing Body.

  
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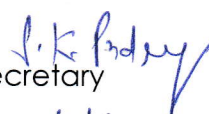
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- XXV. To carry out educational programmes designed to promote the certification of Forest and Forest Produce
- XXVI. To Co-Ordinate participation of social partners, employers in the private sector, training provider, Professional societies and NGOs/Civil Society group working for the upliftment for the Forest and Forest Produce.
- XXVII. To conduct programmes to promote and publicize NCCF, both locally and internationally.
- XXVIII. To work with global consultants, associations as well as experts national and International agencies associated with research and development requiring specialization in the certification of Forest and Forest Produce.
- XXIX. To liaise and collaborate with various associations in the sector or otherwise by suitable means (Memorandum of Understanding, Collaboration Agreement, Partnering arrangements and others) for course content development, arrangement of apprenticeships within the Sector.
- XXX. For the furtherance of the objects enumerates above, to undertake, organise and facilitate conferences, seminars, study course, training programmes, lectures and workshops and similar other activities.
- XXXI. For the furtherance of the object enumerated above to maintain liaison with professional institution and educational and training bodies in various parts of the country.
- XXXII. To impose and recover affiliation and other fees and charges for services rendered, to accept any grants, donations, assistance and subscriptions whether in cash or securities and of any property either movable or immovable for the purposes/objects of the society and to manage efficient, effective and permissible fund flow and fund utilization in consonance with the objects state herein;
- XXXIII. To collect fees including membership fee, service charges, consultancy charge compensation or such other monies as may be required in due course of functioning of the society and in furtherance of its objects

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- XXXIV. To borrow and raise moneys with or without security or on the security of a mortgage, charge or hypothecation or pledge of all or any of the movable or immovable properties of the society or in any other manner whatsoever for fulfilling the objects of the society;
- XXXV. To pay salary/wages/fees including consultancy, retainership fee, sitting fee, rent and incur all other expenses needed in fulfillment of the objects of the society
- XXXVI. To purchase, take on lease, in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any moveable and immoveable and in particular any land or building, workshop, factories, laboratories, machinery, plant, apparatus, appliances, trades, trademarks, licenses, permits, intellectual property rights (IPRs) and any rights or privileges necessary or convenient which may be necessary for carrying out the objects/purposes of the Society;
- XXXVII. To sell, lease, exchange, hire and otherwise transfer all or any properties of the Society;
- XXXVIII. To establish, support or aid in the establishment of associations, institutions, funds and trusts as may be required in furtherance of the objects of the society
- XXXIX. To run educational institutional institutions, training institutions and publish books, reports journals, magazines, newspapers, periodicals, thesis, researches, writings, discoveries, news and information.
- XL. To construct, erect, develop, improve or alter and keep in repair any building acquired or used by or for the society and to pull down or demolish or disposes off any building not so required or for renovation and reconstruction and to maintain, deal with manage, control and administer the same
- XLI. To undertake and accept the management of any endowment or trust fund having objects similar to the objects of the Council;
- XLII. To invest funds or moneys entrusted to the Council in such securities and in such manner as may from time to time be determined by it;
- XLIII. For the purpose of the Society to draw, accept, make, endorse, discount and issue cheques, promissory notes, bills of exchange, hundies, etc or other negotiable instruments of all description;

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- XLIV. To take membership in any other society or association with objects similar to its own and to have branches all over India and elsewhere.
- XLV. To make Rules and Regulations and Bye-laws for the conduct of the affairs of the Council and add to, amend, vary or rescind them from time to time, and
- XLVI. To do such other lawful things as are conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above subjects.
5. All the income, earnings, moveable and immoveable properties of the Society shall be solely utilized and applied towards the promotion of its Aims and Objects only as set forth in the Memorandum of the Society and no profit on thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividends, bonus, profits, or in any manner whatsoever to the present or past members of the Society or to any person claiming through any one or more of the present or past members. No member of the Society shall have any personal claim on any moveable or immoveable properties of the Society or make any profit, whatsoever, by virtue of his membership.


  
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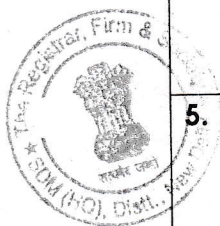


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**GOVERNING BODY:**

The names, addresses, occupations and the designations of the present members of the Governing Body, to whom the management of the Society is entrusted as required under Section 2 of the "SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, of 1860", as applicable to the National Capital Territory of Delhi, are as under:

S.No	Name	Address	Occupation	Designation
1.	KRISHNA KUMAR SINGH	BLOCK, 202 LAKEVIEW ENCLAVE, SHAHLA BHO PAL HILL	BUSINESS	CHAIRMAN
2.	A.K. VARMA (AVANI KUMAR VARMA)	112, KUMARABAGH D WING - KORAMANGALA BANGALORE 560047	IFS (R) INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT	CO-CHAIRMAN
3.	SUNEEL PANDEY (SUNEEL KUMAR PANDEY)	B-5-6/45A VASANT KUNJ NEW DELHI -110070	SERVICE	SECRETARY
4.	J. K. Jain (Jinendra Kumar Jain)	Alfa 308, Jayabhai Silicon City, HITECH CITY ROAD Hyderabad	Service	J.S.
5.	SACHIN RAJ JAIN	14-A MOHINI ROAD, DEHRADUN UTTARAKHAND 248001.	BUSINESS	TREASURER
6.	INDURTI VENKATA RAMANUJA RAO	1761 SECOND FLR, OUTRAM LINES, KINGSWAY CAMP, DELHI -110009	SERVICE	JOINT TREASURER
7.	SANJEEV KUMAR AGARWAL	A-62, GR. FLOOR SECTOR-26 NOIDA	BUSINESS	MEMBER
8.	RAKESH KUMAR	C-200, 2 <sup>nd</sup> FLOOR Block - C GREATER KAILASH-I NEW DELHI-65	SERVICE	MEMBER



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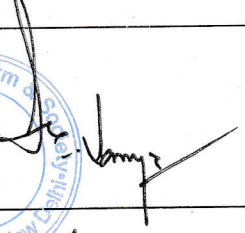


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**DESIROUS PERSONS:**

We, the undersigned are desirous of forming a Society named under the "SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, of 1860", as applicable to the National Capital Territory of Delhi, in pursuance of this Memorandum of Society.

S.No	Name & Address	Occupation	Signatures
1.	KRISHNA KUMAR SINGH, Block I, 202, LAKEVIEW ENCLAVE, SHAHLA HILL BHO PAL, MD	BUSINESS	
2.	A.K. VARMA (PSC R) 112 KUMARABAR DIVING KORAMANGLA BANGALORE 560047	(FIR) INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT	
3.	JUNEEL K. PANDEY B-5-6/4502 (JUNEEL KUMAR PANDEY) VAJANT KUNJ NEW DELHI-110070	SERVICE	S-19
4.	J. K. Jain (Jinendra Kumar Jain) Alfa 308, Jayabhim' Bhojan center Kirti city Road, Hyderabad	Service	
5.	SACHIN RAJ JAIN 14-A MOHINI ROAD DEHRADUN-248001. UTTRAKHAND.	BUSINESS	
6.	INDURTI VENKATA RAMANUJA RAJ 1761, SECOND FLR, OUTRAM LINES, KINGSWAY CAMP, DELHI-110009	SERVICE	
7.	A.K. Bansal IFSC Rtd 804 Swarn Jayanti Apartment Plot 97, Sector 54, Gurgaon Haryana, 122001	SERVICE	
8.	RAKESH KUMAR C-200, SF, Block - C Greater Kailash - I New Delhi - 110065	SERVICE	

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9.	SANJEEV KUMAR ARWAL A-62, GROUND FLOOR SECTOR-26, NOIDA	BUSINESS (SELF EMPLOYED)	<i>Sanjal</i>
10.	KHOMANTHEM DEVABRATA SINGH EB 29/1SC1 TRANSMEID AND KABRAM LEIKAI. IMPHAL-795004 MANIPUR	BUSINESS	<i>Devabrat Singh</i>



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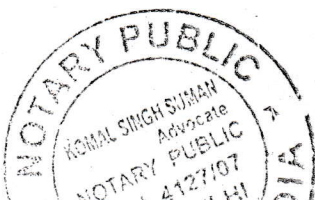
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