DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

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The particulars of arrangements that exists for consultations with, or representation by the members of the public in relation to the formulation of policy or implementation thereof

- 1. The District Planning Committee approves the schemes of the department.
- 2. A Suggestion Box placed at every office for inviting suggestions for formulation of its policies and improvement in administration.
- 3. Representatives from NGO's and tribal are included in the State Board for Wildlife, as members for obtaining their experts/advises for the management of wildlife and to draw policies thereof.
- 4. Representatives from various public institutions are involved for launching various programmes like Schemes under Social Forestry, Van Mahotsava, Wildlife Week Celebration, Ozone Layer Protection, World Environment Day Celebration, etc.
- 5. Joint Forest Management is implemented through the public participation and their opinion is taken for policy decisions in the matter.
- 6. Coastal Zone Management Plan / Authority.
- 7. Through e-mail.
- 8. Through Seminars and Workshop.
- 9. Working Plans to manage the forests are prepared by a committee having representatives of NGO's and the implementation of the Working Plan is also monitored by a committee in which NGO's are also included.
- 10. The following Committees/ Boards/ Councils have representatives of public/ NGOs:
 - a. State Board for Wildlife
 - b. State Level Environmental Council