

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS**  
**RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005**

**CHAPTER-V**

**The rules, regulations, instructions, manuals and records, held by it or under its control or used by its employees for discharging its functions**

The role of Department of Environment & Forests is primarily concerned with the implementation of policies and programmes relating to conservation of bio-diversity, forests and wildlife for enhancement of human well-being. The objectives of the Department of Environment and Forests, A&N Administration are supported by legislative and regulatory measures aimed at the preservation, conservation and protection of the forest and environment. The important legislations are:

- i. The Indian Forest Act, 1927
- ii. The A&N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956
- iii. Andaman and Nicobar Islands Forest Produce Transit Rules, 1966
- iv. Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Act, 1971
- v. Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Rules, 1971
- vi. The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
- vii. The Wildlife (Protection) (Andaman & Nicobar Islands), Rules, 2008
- viii. The Andaman & Nicobar Forest Department Code, 2011
- ix. The Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Wildlife Transit) Rules, 1976
- x. The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
- xi. The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986
- xii. Andaman & Nicobar Islands Protected Forests Rules, 1986
- xiii. The National Forest Policy, 1988
- xiv. The Coastal Regulation Zone Notification of 1991
- xv. Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 1994
- xvi. The Coimbatore Charter - 2001
- xvii. National Wild life Action Plan - 2002
- xviii. The Biological Diversity Act, 2002
- xix. Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003
- xx. The Biological Diversity Rules, 2004
- xxi. Resolution on Joint Forest Management, 2005
- xxii. Working Plans of various Forest divisions
- xxiii. Recruitment Rule for various Posts

**Note:** The above rules, regulations, acts, manuals, instructions and records may be downloaded from Website of Department of Environment & Forests (<http://forest.and.nic.in>).