



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Environment Department- Wetlands (Conservation & Management) Rules 2017-
Nomination and appointment of Expert Members to the State Wetlands Authority-Orders
issued.

ENVIRONMENT (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No. 3/2018/Envt

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 25-06-2018

Read: 1. G.O.(Ms).No. 14/2017/Envt dated 28-12-2017.
2. Letters No. SWAK/A1/1/2017 dated 09-02-2018 & SWAK/A1/59/2017 dated
18-05-2018 from the Member Secretary, SWAK.

ORDER

As per the Section 5(1) of the Wetlands (Conservation & Management) Rules 2017,
the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India has
constituted the State Wetlands Authority with the following members, namely:-

- (I) Minister in-charge of the Department of Environment/Forests of the State Government or Minister in-charge of the Department handling wetlands-
Chairperson;
- (II) Chief Secretary of the State or Additional Chief Secretary equivalent - Vice
Chairperson;
- (III) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Environment- Member ex-officio;
- (IV) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Forests- Member ex-officio;
- (V) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Urban Development- Member ex-officio;
- (VI) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Rural Development-Member ex-officio;
- (VII) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Water Resources- Member ex-officio;
- (VIII) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Fisheries-Member ex-officio;
- (IX) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Irrigation and Flood Control-Member ex-
officio;
- (X) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Tourism-Member ex-officio;
- (XI) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Revenue-Member ex-officio;

- (XII) Director, State Remote Sensing Centre- Member ex-officio;
- (XIII) Chief Wildlife Warden-Member ex-officio;
- (XIV) Member Secretary, State Biodiversity Board-Member ex-officio;
- (XV) Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board-Member ex-officio;
- (XVI) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change- Member ex-officio;
- (XVII) One expert each in the fields of wetland ecology, hydrology, fisheries, landscape planning and socio-economics to be nominated by the State Government; and
- (XVIII) Additional Secretary/Joint Secretary/Director in the Department of Environment/ Forests or Department handling wetlands -Member Secretary.

2) Subsequently the State Government has designated the Chief Secretary as the Vice Chairperson and the Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change as the Member Secretary of the State Wetland Authority Kerala as per the Government Order read above and the Member Secretary, State Wetland Authority Kerala was authorised to nominate a panel of experts for appointing them as expert members of SWAK under the aforesaid provision section 5(1)(xvii) of the Rules.

3) The Chairman, State Wetland Authority Kerala has nominated the following members from the panel of experts submitted by the Member Secretary, State Wetland Authority Kerala (SWAK) in the SWAK Governing body meeting held on 15-02-2018.

| FIELD | PROPOSED EXPERTS |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Wetland Ecology | Dr. P.S. Harikumar (CWRDM) |
| Wetland Hydrology | Dr. V.P.Dinesan (CWRDM) |
| Wetland Fisheries | Dr. Dinesan Cheruvat |
| Landscape Planning | Sri. R.K.Ramesh |
| Socio-Economics | Dr. T.K.A Nair IAS (Rtd) |

5) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to appoint the above mentioned persons in various fields as expert members of State Wetland

Authority Kerala under the provision 5(1) (xvii) of the Wetlands (Conservation & Management) Rules 2017.

(By order of the Governor)

VALSA. V

Additional Secretary to Government

To

All the Expert Members

The Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi (with C/L)

The Member Secretary, State Wetland Authority Kerala

The Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, Thiruvananthapuram

The Additional Chief Secretary, Environment Department


The Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director, Information & Public Relations (Web & New Media) Department

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