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Government of Himachal Pradesh
"Home Department"

File No.Home (A)F(12)8/2001

Dated: Shimla-2,

5 July, 2010.

ORDER

WHEREAS the Forest Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh have informed that they have framed policy for the establishment of Van Thanas to curb the menace of illicit felling, encroachments, smuggling and other forest offences in the Forest Department.

AND WHEREAS the Forest Department have also informed that to curb the menace of illicit felling, encroachments, smuggling and other forest offences the following Van Thanas mentioned at serial number 1 to 4 have been opened and serial number 5 & 6 are to be opened, the Forest Department may be allowed to keep arm(s) i.e. Guns/Revolvers/Rifles without license as per detail indicated against each Thana which are already available and also are to be procured by the Forest Department:

S.No.	Name of van Thana	Type of arms already available	Quantity	Require to be procured.
1	Balu in Mandi Forest Division.	Gun 303	1 No.	One Rifle and one Pistol.
2.	Deha (Chhaila) in Theog Forest Division.	Revolver(32 Bore) Gun (12 Bore).	1 No. 1 No.	12 Bore Gun
3.	Mohal(Shamshi) in Parvati Forest Division.	Revolver (32 Bore)	1 No.	Two Rifles.
4.	Habban in Rajgarh Forest Divisio.	Revolver (0.32 Bore) Rifle 303	1 No. 1 No.	One Rifle.
5.	Tikker in Rohru Forest Division.	Revolver(32 Bore)	1 No.	Two Rifles.
6.	Deokhan in Mandi Forest Division.	303 Rifle	1 No.	One Rifle One Pistol.

AND, WHEREAS the Government of Himachal Pradesh in pursuance to the provisions of sections 45(b)(ii) of Indian Arms Act, 1959 exempt the

Forest Department for keeping Gun/Revolver/Rifle to be utilized in the above opened/are to be opened Thanas of the Forest Department as per detail indicated against each subject to the following conditions to avoid any misuse of arms and ammunition by the Forest Department:-

1. The Arms And Ammunition purchased by the Forest Department would be kept in safe custody .
2. The Forest Department in each Thana would maintain a register of ammunition. Every cartridge or bullet used by them would be accounted for and entered in the register by recording reasons and details of purpose for which it was used .
3. The Arms & Ammunition would be given to the Van Thana by an authorized Officer to do so. When the task is over they would be handed over back to the officer concerned.

By Order,

Principal Secretary(Home) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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1. The Controller, Printing and Stationery, H.P. Shimla for publication in the extra ordinary issue of Rajpatra.
2. The Principal Secretary(Forests) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 w.r.t. his letter No.FFE-B-C(1)-13/2008-Loose dated 21.08.2009
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, H.P. Shimla-1.
4. The Director General of Police, Shimla-2.
5. All the District Magistrate in Himachal Pradesh.
6. All the Superintendent of Police in Himachal Pradesh.
7. The Director of Information and Public Relations, H.P. Shimla-2.
8. The Additional Director General of Police(CID), H.P. Shimla-9.

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Under Secretary(Home) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.