

H.P. Board of Departmental Examination

Forest Department

Paper-3 (Rules and Acts)

April 2016

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Note:

1. Attempt any Five questions.
2. Quote relevant rule, section of law whenever applicable.
3. Only Bare Acts are allowed.

- Q-1 (a) Describe in nutshell the provisions of HP Forest (Timber Distribution to the Right Holder) Rules 2013 and the subsequent Amendments with special mention to eligibility, entitlement and procedure. **12 Marks**
- (b) Which are plant species growing on private land exempt from the transit pass? What information will you check on a transit pass? **8 Marks**
- Q-2 (a) Discuss the extent and limits of powers vested in the forest officers regarding Seizure and confiscation of vehicles. Discuss in brief the procedure to follow. **12 Marks**
- (b) Who can compound forest officers under Section 68 of IFA? Mention cases not liable to be compounded. **8 Marks**
- Q-3 (a) Describe salient feature of Forest Conservation Act 1980 and its subsequent amendments. **10 Marks**
- (b) Describe the procedure of declaring an area as Sanctuary. **10 Marks**
- Q-4 (a) Describe the procedure of initiating disciplinary proceedings against an employee. List the penalties which can be imposed under major and minor heads. **12 marks**
- (b) What are the powers of a forest officer to arrest an offender? Cite the Sections and period of arrest and procedure to be followed. **8 Marks**
- Q-5 Write short notes on the following (any four): **4x5 Marks**
- i) Major and Minor works.
 - ii) Revenue and Capital expenditure.
 - iii) Ecotourism Policy of Himachal Pradesh.
 - iv) Leave Encashment.
 - v) Timber Forms.
- Q-6 Differentiate between the following (any four): **4x5 Marks**
- i) Reserve forest and Protected forest.
 - ii) UPF and DPF.
 - iii) PUC and DFA.
 - iv) In-situ and Ex-situ conservation.
 - v) Cognizable and non Cognizable offence.