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MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

B.R.T.C. Section

NOTIFICATION

Dacca, the 8th April 1976.

No. S.R.O. 128-L/76.—In exercise of the powers conferred by the clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Road Transport Corporation Ordinance, 1961 (E.P. Ordinance No. VII of 1961), the Government is pleased to make the following amendment in this Ministry's Notification No. S.R.O. 3-L/76, dated the 2nd January, 1976, namely:—

In the aforesaid Notification,—

(a) for entry (5) the following shall be *substituted* and shall be deemed to have been so *substituted* with effect from the 2nd January, 1976, namely:—

“(5) Choudhury Mumtaz Hussain, District Faridpur, Dacca Division.”; and

(b) after entry (5), amended as aforesaid, the following new entries shall be *added*, namely:—

“(6) Mr. A. F. M. Reazul Huq Chowdhury, Advocate, district Dinajpur, Rajshahi Division.

“(7) Mr. Abdur Rahim, Chairman, Kushtia Paura Shava, district Kushtia, Khulna Division.”

By order of the President
MD. TOUHID KHAN
Deputy Secretary.

**MINISTRY OF LAND ADMINISTRATION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATIVE'S**

Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives Division

NOTIFICATION

Dacca, the 8th April 1976.

No. S.R.O. 129-L/76.—In exercise of the powers conferred by the provision to article 133 of the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the President is pleased to make the following rules, namely:—

**THE INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME EMPLOYEES
(CONTRIBUTORY PROVIDENT FUND) RULES, 1976.**

1. **Short title.**—These rules may be called the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976.

2. **Definitions.**—In these regulations, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(a) "Accounts Officer" means the Director (Finance, Audit and Accounts) or such other officers may be appointed in this behalf by the Programme;

(b) "Authority" means the Authority constituted under rule 4;

(c) "Children" means legitimate children and children legally adopted by the subscriber;

(d) "emolument" means pay and include leave salary;

(e) "employee" means a salaried officer and staff of the Programme other than a Government servant whose services have been lent or transferred to the Programme;

(f) "family" means—

(i) in the case of a male subscriber, the wife or wives and children of a subscriber, and the widow or widows and children of a deceased subscriber:

Provided that if a subscriber proves that his wife has been judicially separated from him or has ceased under the customary law of the community to which she belongs to be entitled to maintenance, she shall thenceforth be deemed to be no longer a member of the subscriber's family in matters to which these rules relate, unless the subscriber subsequently indicates, by communication in writing, to the Accounts Officer that she shall continue to be so regarded, and

(ii) in the case of a female subscriber, the husband and children of the subscriber, and the widower and children of a deceased subscriber:

Provided that if a subscriber by communication in writing to the Accounts Officer expresses her desire to exclude her husband from her family, the husband shall thenceforth be deemed to be no longer a member of the subscriber's family in matters to which these rules relate, unless the subscriber subsequently cancels formally in writing her communication excluding him;

- (g) "Form" means a Form annexed to these rules;
- (h) "Fund" means the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees Contributory Provident Fund;
- (i) "leave" means any variety of leave prescribed by the appropriate Rules or Regulations of the Programme;
- (j) "pay" means the pay which has been sanctioned for a post and includes special pay, technical pay, personal pay, leave salary and subsistence grant;
- (k) "Programme" means the Integrated Rural Development Programme set up by the Government;
- (l) "service" means continuous service in the programme;
- (m) "subscriber" means a person who subscribes to the Fund under these rules; and
- (n) "year" means the year commencing on the first day of July and ending on the thirtieth day of June.

3. **Application and eligibility.**—(1) Subject to the provisions of sub-rule (2) these rules shall apply to all regular employees of the Programme and also to officers appointed on contracts, if so provided in their contracts.

(2) These rules shall not apply to—

- (a) Government servants on deputation to the Programme.
- (b) seasonal or work-charged establishment of contingent menials as are paid from the contingency.

(3) An employee of the Programme who has put in at least one year's continuous service shall be eligible to subscribe to the Fund.

4. **Constitution of the Fund.**—A fund by the name of the Integrated Rural Development Employees Contributory Provident Fund shall be constituted which shall consist of—

- (a) subscriptions and contributions which are credited to the Fund in accordance with these rules;
- (b) the income from loans, deposits and investments; and
- (c) such other additions to the Fund, as the Programme may, from time to time, decide to make.

5. **Management of the Fund.**—The Fund shall vest in, and be managed by, an Authority which shall consist of the following members, namely:—

- (a) the Director-General (1) of the Programme, *ex-officio*, who shall be the Chairman;
- (b) the Director (Finance, Audit and Accounts), *ex-officio*.
- (c) the Deputy Director (Finance and Accounts), *ex-officio*; and
- (d) one subscriber to be nominated from time to time by the Director-General (1).

6. **Investment.**—The money received, from time to time, in the Fund may be invested in such manner as may be approved by the Government.

7. **Nomination.**—(1) A subscriber shall send to the Accounts Officer a nomination conferring on one or more persons the right to receive the amount that may stand to his credit in the Fund:

Provided that if, at the time of making the nomination, the subscriber has a family, the nomination shall not be in favour of any person or persons other than the members of his family.

(2) If a subscriber nominates more than one person under sub-rule (1), he shall specify in the nomination the amount or share payable to each of the nominees in such manner as to cover the whole of the amount that may stand to his credit in the Fund at any time.

(3) Every nomination shall be in such Form as is appropriate in the circumstances.

(4) A subscriber may, at any time, cancel a nomination by sending a notice, in writing, to the Accounts Officer. Provided that the subscriber shall, along with such notice, send a fresh nomination made in accordance with the provisions of the preceding sub-rules.

(5) A subscriber may provide in a nomination—

(a) in respect of any specified nominee that in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber, the right conferred upon that nominee shall pass to such other person as may be specified in the nomination; and

(b) that the nomination shall become invalid in the event of the happening of a contingency specified therein :

Provided that if at the time of making the nomination the subscriber has no family, he shall provide in the nomination that it shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring a family.

(6) Immediately on the death of a nominee, in respect of whom no special provision has been made in the nomination under clause (a) of sub-rule (5), or on the occurrence of any event by reason of which the nomination becomes invalid in pursuance of clause (b) of sub-rule (5) or proviso thereto, the subscriber shall send to the Accounts Officer a notice, in writing, cancelling the nomination together with a fresh nomination made in accordance with the provisions of this rule.

(7) Every nomination made, and every notice of cancellation given, by a subscriber shall, to the extent that it is valid, take effect on the date on which it is received by the Accounts Officer.

8. **Subscriber's account.**—A separate account in Form 'E' shall be maintained for each subscriber.

9. Conditions and Rates of subscription.—(1) The amount of subscription shall be fixed by the subscriber himself subject to the following conditions, namely:—

- (a) it shall be expressed in whole Taka,
- (b) it may be any sum, so expressed, not less than 10% and not more than 20% of pay, and
- (c) the amount of subscription so fixed shall remain unchanged throughout the year.

(2) Subscription to the Fund shall be compulsory and the subscription shall normally continue to the Fund till the end of service or till the termination of service under the Programme.

(3) A subscriber while on duty or leave (other than leave without pay) shall be liable to subscribe to the Fund.

(4) In the case of a person under suspension, no subscription shall be realised from the subsistence grant, but if he is subsequently reinstated with full pay, subscription shall be recovered in respect of the entire period of his suspension at such rate as may be decided by the Authority.

(5) In the case of a person on leave on average pay, the amount of subscription shall be at the same rate as were subscribed by him immediately before his proceeding on leave, and in the case of a person on half-average pay, the subscription shall be half of the amount subscribed by him before he proceeded on leave.

(6) When a subscriber is deputed out of Bangladesh, he shall remain subject to the rules in the same manner as if he were not so deputed.

NOTE.—In calculating the amount of subscription the monthly pay on which the deduction is to be made, shall be rounded to the nearest Taka (50 paisa as next higher Taka).

10. Contribution by the Programme.—(1) The Programme shall, on the last day of each year, make a contribution to the account of each subscriber:

Provided that if a subscriber quits the service or dies during the year, contribution shall be credited to his account for the period between the close of the preceding year and the date of the casualty.

(2) The contribution shall be such percentage of the subscriber's emoluments drawn during the year or period, as the case may be, as has been or may be prescribed by the Programme by general or special order.

(3) The amount of any contribution payable in respect of foreign service and interest thereon shall, unless it is recovered from the foreign employer, be recovered by the Programme from the subscriber.

(4) The amount of contribution payable shall be rounded to the whole Taka (50 paisa counting as the next higher Taka).

11. Interest.—(1) Interest shall be credited to the account of the subscriber each year; and the rate of interest shall be determined by the Authority at the end of each year but will not be less than the prevailing bank rate at the time of such determination.

(2) Interest shall be credited at the end of each year in the following manner, namely:—

- (a) on the amount at the credit of a subscriber on the last day of the preceding year less any sum withdrawn during the current year;
- (b) on sums withdrawn during the current year, interest from the first day of the current year up to the last day of the month preceding the month of withdrawal;
- (c) on all sums credited to the subscriber's account after the last day of the preceding year, interest from the date of deposit up to last day of the current year;
- (d) calculation of interest in Programme shares of contributions from the 1st day to the last day of the current year shall be made monthly and shall be contributed by the Programme in each month;
- (e) the total amount of interest shall be rounded to the nearest whole Taka (50 paisa counting as next higher Taka);
- (f) interest shall not be paid in respect of any period after the date on which the Accounts Officer has intimated to that person or his agent as the date on which he is prepared to make payment in cash or if he pays by cheque after the date on which the cheque in that person's favour is put in the post;

(3) Interest shall not be credited to the account of any subscriber if he informs the Accounts Officer that he does not wish to receive it but if he subsequently asks for interest, it shall be credited with effect from the first day of the year in which he asks for it.

(4) For the purpose of these rules the date of deposits shall in the case of recoveries from emoluments be deemed to be the first day of the month in which they are recovered.

12. **Advances from the Fund.**—A temporary advance may be granted to a subscriber from the amount standing to his credit at the discretion of the Accounts Officer or any other officer nominated in this behalf subject to the following conditions, namely:—

- (a) No advance shall be granted unless the Accounts Officer is satisfied that the applicants pecuniary circumstances justify it and that it will be expended on any or all of the following objects and not otherwise:—
 - (1) to pay expenses incurred in connection with the illness of the applicant or any person actually dependent on him;
 - (2) to pay for overseas passage for reason of health or education of the subscriber or any person actually dependent on him;
 - (3) to pay obligatory expenses on a scale appropriate to the applicant's status in connection with marriages, funerals or ceremonies which by his religion it is incumbent on him to perform; and
 - (4) to pay insurance premium on production of necessary certificates from the Insurance Company.

- (b) An advance shall not, except for special reason, exceed three months' pay and shall, in no case, exceed the amount of subscription and interest thereon standing to the credit of the subscriber in the Fund.
- (c) A second or subsequent advance shall not, except for special reason be granted to a subscriber until the complete repayment of previous advance together with interest accruing thereon.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything contained in clauses (b) and (c) advances for the building of a house for residential purpose may be granted from the Fund not exceeding 80 per cent. of the total amount standing to the credit of the subscriber in the Fund, taking into account programme share of contribution. If the subscriber is also granted house building advance from pay, the total of the two advances shall not exceed 24 months' pay.

13. **Recovery advances.**—(1) Advance from the Fund shall be recovered at 10 per cent. of pay if the amount of advance exceeds three months' pay otherwise at 12½ per cent. of pay, after the advance from the pay including interest accrued thereon has been recovered in full. In the case of those who may be allowed advance from the fund only for house building purposes, recovery at the above rates shall begin from the 12th issue of pay after the advance is drawn:

Provided that in the case of officers who are advanced in age and who may not repay the advance in full before retirement the recovery will be effected at 20 per cent. of pay and the grant of advance will be subject to the further condition that the amount of advance that remains outstanding together with interest accrued on the total advance, left due to at the time of retirement shall be adjusted against the accumulations in the Fund account of the officer concerned before payment of such accumulation after retirement: Provided further that the account of advance to be sanctioned out of accumulations in the Fund Account in such cases shall be so fixed that the outstanding amount at the time of retirement excluding interest shall not exceed 6 months' pay or 25 per cent. of the accumulations of the officer, whichever is less. For this purpose, accumulations actually standing to the credit of the officer at the time of sanctioning the advance will be taken into account. This concession will be admissible to officers posted at Dacca, Narayangong, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Khulna.

(2) Recovery of advance shall commence from the first payment of full month's pay after the advance is made.

(3) After the principal of the advance has been fully repaid, interest shall be paid thereon at the rate to be fixed by the Authority, from time to time, for each month or broken portion of month during the period between the drawal and complete repayment of the principal.

(4) The subscriber whose deposit in the Fund carries no interest shall not be required to pay into the Fund additional instalment on account of interest on advance granted to him from the Fund.

(5) Interest on advances shall ordinarily be recovered in one instalment in the month immediately following the full recovery of the principal.

(6) The instalment shall be recovered by compulsory deduction from salary and will be in addition to the usual subscription.

(7) No recovery shall be made from the emolument of a subscriber while he is on leave, other than leave on full average pay, or on subsistence grant except with the written consent of the subscriber.

(8) Recoveries made under this rule shall be credited as they are made to the account of the subscriber in the Fund.

14. **Circumstances in which accumulation are payable.**—(1) Subject to the provisions of rule 15, the amount standing to the credit of a subscriber shall become payable to him when he quits the service. A subscriber, who has been dismissed from the service, and is subsequently reinstated in service, shall if required to do so by the Programme, repay any amount paid to him from the Fund in pursuance of this rule and shall be credited to his account accordingly.

(2) In the event of death of a subscriber before the amount standing to his credit has become payable or where the amount has become payable, before payment has been made:—

(i) when a subscriber leaves a family,

(a) if a nomination is made by the subscriber, in accordance with the provision of rule 7 in favour of a member of his family subsists, the amount standing to his credit in the Fund or a part thereof to which the nomination relates shall become payable to his nominee or nominees in the proportion specified in the nomination;

(b) if the nomination referred to in sub-clause (a) does not subsist or if the nomination relates only to a part of the amount standing to his credit in the Fund, the whole amount or part thereof to which the nomination does not relate, as the case may be, shall, notwithstanding any nomination purporting to be in favour of any person other than a member of his family, become payable to the members of his family in equal shares:

Provided that no share of the amount shall be payable to—

(1) sons who have attained majority, but are not otherwise bodily or mentally infirm and disable to earn a livelihood;

(2) sons of a deceased son who have attained majority, but are not otherwise bodily or mentally infirm and disabled to earn a livelihood;

(3) daughters, whose husbands are alive, but are not deserted and are maintained by the husbands; and

(4) daughters of a deceased son whose husbands are alive, but are not otherwise deserted and are maintained by the husbands if there is any member of the family other than those specified in clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4):

Provided further that the widow or widows and the child or children of a deceased son shall receive in equal parts only the share which that son would have received if he had survived the subscriber and had been exempted from the provision of paragraph (1) of the first proviso.

(ii) when the subscriber leaves no family, if a nomination made by him in accordance with the provisions of rule 7 in favour of any person or persons subsists, the amount standing to his credit in the Fund shall become payable to his nominee or nominees in the proportion specified in the nomination. If such nomination relates only to a part of the amount standing to his credit in the Fund, the part thereof to which the nomination does not relate shall be paid to such persons in the manner specified in sub-clause (b) of clause (1).

(3) If there be no person entitled to receive the amount it will be paid to the subscriber's legal heirs.

15. **Deduction.**—(1) When the amount standing to the credit of a subscriber, who has been dismissed or discharged from the service of the Programme for grave misconduct, becomes payable, the Authority may direct that the whole or any part of the contribution of the Programme or any interest accrued thereon shall be deducted from the amount standing to the credit of the subscriber and such amount shall be transferred and credited to the "Lapse and Forfeiture Account" created under rule 16.

(2) When the amount standing to the credit of a subscriber becomes payable, the Authority may direct that any amount due under liability incurred by the subscriber to the Programme up to the total amount of contribution of the Programme to the account of the subscriber together with the interest thereon, shall be deducted from the amount payable to the subscriber and that the amount so deducted shall be paid to the Programme.

(3) When the amount standing to the credit of a subscriber becomes payable on his resignation from the service of the Programme before having completed on year therein, the authority may direct that the whole or a part of the contribution of the Programme to the credit of the account of such subscriber and of any interest accrued thereon shall be deducted from the amount standing to the credit of the subscriber and the amount so deducted shall be transferred to the "Lapse and Forfeiture Account". Ordinarily, the Authority will not direct any such deduction to be made in a case where—

- (a) a subscriber shall have been appointed with the previous consent of the Programme to a permanent Government service,
- (b) a subscriber shall have joined the service of the Programme in connection with a scheme which was expected to continue for one year at least but which by reason of any unforeseen circumstances has been completed or abandoned within that period, and
- (c) a subscriber who has established to the satisfaction of the Programme that his retirement is necessitated by the incapacity for further service.

16. **Lapses and forfeitures.**—The Programme shall create a "Lapse and Forfeiture Account" to which shall be credited all amounts referred to in rule 15 and shall be used and applied by the Authority as a reserved fund to meet any loss or depreciation of the investment of the Fund. Any profit arising out of the investment shall be credited to the Lapse and Forfeiture Account. If and when the Authority is of the opinion that the amount to the credit of the Lapse and Forfeiture account is sufficient to meet any possible loss in operating the Fund, the surplus, if any, shall be transferred to the Fund.

17. **Payment.**—(1) If a subscriber dies, or for any reasons, ceases to be a subscriber to the Fund or on leave preparatory to retirement or on the termination of service, the amount standing at his credit *minus* the outstanding balance of any advance granted to him under these rules shall be payable in full in Bangladesh Currency in lump sum.
18. **Procedure and Statement Account.**—(1) The account of the subscriber shall be closed,—
- (a) in the event of his death, on the next day thereafter, and
 - (b) in the event of retirement or dismissal from the service, on the day of retirement or dismissal.
- (2) When the account of the subscriber is closed, such amount, if any, as the Authority may decide, shall be added thereto in respect of interest and the contribution of the Programme for the period from last day of year preceding the death, retirement or dismissal, as the case may be, of a subscriber to the date of closing of his account.
- (3) No contribution or interest shall be credited to the account of a subscriber in respect of any period after the date on which his account shall be closed.
- (4) All sums paid from the Fund under these rules shall be accounted for in the books of the Programme in an account named "Contributory Provident Fund Account of the Integrated Rural Development Programme".
- (5) Such account shall be examined and audited annually by the auditors as approved by the Authority.
- (6) The custody of, and disbursement from, the Fund shall be regulated exactly in the same manner as that of the Programme.
- (7) As soon as possible after the last day of each year the Accounts Officer shall send to each subscriber his Pass Book or a statement of his account in the Fund showing the opening balance as on the 1st July of the year, the total amount of interest credited or debited as on last day of the year and the closing balance on that date.
- (8) Subscribers should satisfy themselves as to the correctness of their Pass Book or the annual statements and errors should be brought to the notice of the Accounts Officer within one month from the date of receipt of the Pass Book or the statement.
19. **Agreement.**—Every subscriber shall sign an agreement in Form F, agreeing to abide by and be bound by these rules.
20. **Procedure.**—Detailed procedure for the maintenance of the accounts of the Fund may be drawn up by the Accounts officer.

By order of the President
 KHORSHED ALAM
 Additional Secretary.

FORM 'A'

(See rule 7)

Form of nomination

(When the subscriber has a family and wishes to nominate one member thereof.

I hereby nominate the person mentioned below, who is a member of my family as defined in rule 2 of the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976, to receive the amount that may stand in my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable or having become payable has not been paid;

Name and address of nominee.	Relationship with the subscriber.	Age.

Dated this day of 19....

at.....

Two witnesses to signature :

(1)

(2)

Signature of subscriber.

FORM 'B'

(See rule 7)

Form of nomination

(When the subscriber has a family and wishes to nominate more than one member thereof).

I hereby nominate the persons mentioned below, who are members of my family as defined in rule 2 of the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976, to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable, or having become payable has not been paid and direct that the said amount shall be distributed among the said persons in the manner shown below against their names:

Name and address of nominee.	Relationship with subscriber.	Age.	Amount or share of accumulation to be paid to each.

Dated this.....day of..... 19.....

Two witnesses to signature:

(1).....

(2).....

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Signature of subscriber.

Note—This column should be filled in so as to cover the whole amount that may stand to the credit of the subscriber in the Fund at any time.

FORM 'C'

(See rule 7)

Form of nomination

(When the subscriber has no family and wishes to nominate one person.)

I, having no family as defined in rule 2 of the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976, hereby nominate the person mentioned below to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable, or having become payable has not been paid.

Name and address of nominee.	Relationship with subscriber.	Age.

Dated this.....day of.....19....
at.....

Two witnesses to signature:

(1).....

(2)..... *Signature of subscriber.*

FORM 'D'

(See rule 7).

Form of Nomination.

(When the subscriber has no family and wishes to nominate more than one person.)

I, having no family as defined in rule 2 of the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976, hereby nominate the persons mentioned below to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable, or having become payable has not been paid, and direct that the said amount shall be distributed amongst the said persons in the manner shown below against their names:

Name and address of nominee.	Relationship with subscriber.	Age.	Amount or share of accumulation to be paid to each.

Dated this day of 19.....

Two witnesses to signature:

(1)

(2)

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Signature of the subscriber.

Note.—This column should be filled in so as to cover the whole amount that may stand to the credit of the subscriber in the Fund, at any time.

FORM 'F'

(See rule 19).

Form of Agreement.

I hereby declare that I have read the Integrated Rural Development Programme Employees (Contributory Provident Fund) Rules, 1976 and that I agree to abide by and be bound by them.

Dated.....day of.....19.....
 at.....
 Name in full.....
 Date of birth.....
 Date of joining.....
 Nature of appointment.....
 Basic Pay.....
 Station.....
 Date.....

*Signature**Witnesses :*

1. Name.....
 Address.....
 Occupation.....
2. Name.....
 Address.....
 Occupation.....

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Forest, Fisheries and Livestock Division.

Section 1

NOTIFICATIONS

Dacca, the 3rd April 1976.

No. S R. O. 130-L/76.—In exercise of powers conferred by section 20 of the Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927), the Government is pleased to declare the land specified in the Schedule below to be reserved forest with effect from the date of publication of this notification :

SCHEDULE

District.	Sub-division.	Name of Forest.	Area in acres.	Description of boundary.
Sylhet...	Habigonj	Uchail Reserved Forest (previous Uchail Grazing Block A).	1,063 acres	<p>The boundary started from the north-west corner of the proposed Reserve. There being no permanent pillar existing on the corner point on E.B. Rly. Telegraph post No. 21 between 154-155 miles, just on the north of Shahjirbazar Railway Station was taken as the starting point calling it as station 'O'.</p> <p>North—From station 'O' the boundary line goes along the Shajirbazar Lalchand Local Board Road at 97° (S.E.) up to a distance and of 2 chains 96 links (2.96 chains) and meets station 'I'. From station 'I' at 70-30° (N.E.) to a distance of 3.68 chains meets station II. From this point at 93°-30 (S.E.) to a distance of 4.05 chains meets the station III. From this point, the line goes at 102°30' (S.E.) to a distance of 4.93 chains and meets station IV. From this point at 90° (E) to a distance of 3.25 chains meets station V. Then at 120° (S.E.) to a distance of 6.57 chains to station VI. From there at 147°45' (S.E.) to a distance to 3.40</p>

District.	Sub-division.	Name of Forest.	Area in acres.	Description of boundaries.
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chains to the station VII. From here at 125° (S.E.) to a distance at 4.35 chains to station VIII. From this station the line goes 102° (S.E.) to a distance of 5.14 chains to the station IX. Then the line turns at 182° (S.E.) to a distance of 2.70 chains and meets the station X. Then at $225^{\circ} 30'$ (S.W.) to a distance of 4.36 chains meets station XI. Then at 248° (S.W.) to a distance of 1.84 chain to station XII. Then at 204° (S.W.) to a distance of 3.09 chains reach the station XIII. Station XIII is the north-east corner of this R.F. and stands in between the boundary Uchail Forest and Lalchand Tea garden and is situated on the north of Lalchand T. E. existing Iron Pillar No. 7. From the station 'O' up to the station XIII, the boundary line always runs along the existing cart road leading to Lalchand Tea garden from the Shajirbazar Railway station.

(Gunter's chain used in measurement).

East—From station XIII the boundary line turns towards south and then gradually runs towards south-east along the western boundary of Lalchand Tea Garden till it meets the northern boundary of Panchani Zamindari in Pahar Raghunandan.

South—From the last mentioned point the boundary runs westwards along the north boundary of Panchani Zamindari Estate and meets the south-west corner of this Reserve Forest.

District.	Sub-division.	Name of Forest.	Area in acres.	Description of boundaries.
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West—From the last mentioned point the boundary line runs north-eastwards along the eastern boundary of villages Manikpur, Riaznagar, Fajpur and part of Fatepur till it meets the starting point 'O'.

No. S.R.O. 131-L/76.—In exercise of powers conferred by section 20 of the Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927), the Government is pleased to declare the land specified in the schedule below to be reserved forest with effect from the date of publication of this notification.

SCHEDULE

District.	Sub-division.	Name of Forest.	Area in acres.	Description of boundaries.
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Sylhet	Habigonj	Portion of Raghunandan Hill Reserve.	150 acres	<p>North—From boundary pillar No. 69 situated on the western boundary of the Reserve and on the South bank of Jibdharcherra, the boundary runs eastwards along the said Cherra (locally known as the Nayapara Cherra) to a point at a distance of 77·8 chains.</p> <p>East—From the last mentioned point, the boundary is demarcated south-westwards in a straight line at a bearing of 218 and for distance of 36·5 chains to meet the boundary pillar No. 65.</p> <p>South—From the last mentioned point, the boundary runs north-westwards along the western boundary of the Reserve to boundary pillar No. 67.</p> <p>West—From the last mentioned point, the boundary runs northwards along the western boundary of the Reserve to the starting point.</p>
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Grazing right.—Grazing of cattle belonging to the adjacent villagers will be allowed free in the abovementioned Reserve Forest.

By order of the President
 M. YOUSOUF ALI
Joint Secretary.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

M. V. Section.

NOTIFICATION

Dacca, the 6th April 1976.

No. S.R.O. 132-L/76/MV/1A-2/75.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 33 of the Road Transport Corporation Ordinance, 1961 (E.P. Ord. VII of 1961), the Government is pleased to make the following further amendments in the Road Transport Corporation Rules, 1964, namely:—

In the aforesaid Rules, in rule 7, in sub-rule (1), for clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) the following shall be *substituted*, namely:—

- “(a) Additional Secretary, Ministry of Communications (Transport Wing);
- (b) Chairman, Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation; and
- (c) Financial Adviser, Ministry of Communications.”

By order of the President

Md. TAUHID KHAN

Deputy Secretary.

MINISTRY OF FLOOD CONTROL, WATER RESOURCES AND POWER

(F. C. and W. R. Division)

NOTIFICATION

Dacca, the 8th April 1976.

No. S.R.O. 133-L/76.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Irrigation (Imposition of Water Rate) Ordinance, 1963 (E.P. Ord. VII of 1963), the Government is pleased to make the following further amendments in the East Pakistan Irrigation (Imposition of Water Rate) Rules, 1965, namely:—

In the aforesaid rules,—

(1) throughout the Rules,—

- (a) for the words “Provincial Government” the word “Government” shall be *substituted*;
- (b) for the words “Union Council” the word “Union Parishad” shall be *substituted*; and
- (c) for the words “Provincial or Central Government” and “Central or Provincial Government” the word “Government” shall be *substituted*;

(2) in the preamble, the words “East Pakistan” occurring for the first time shall be *omitted*;

(3) in rule 1, the words "East Pakistan" shall be *omitted*;

(4) in rule 2,—

(a) for the words "East Pakistan Irrigation" the word "Irrigation" shall be *substituted*; and

(b) after clause (c), the following new clause shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"(cc) "Board" means the Bangladesh Water Development Board constituted under Article 3 of the Bangladesh Water and Power Development Board's Order, 1972 (P.O. No. 59 of 1972);";

(5) after rule 5, the following new rules shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"5A. Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 5, the gross returns from lands within any area specified by the Government, hereinafter referred to as the specified area, may be determined in the following manner, namely:—

(a) the Assessing Authority shall calculate the gross returns from lands of the specified areas prior to and after the supply or regulation of irrigation water on the basis of statistics maintained by the Authority or its successor, the Board, of average yield per acre for the whole area from the lands of that area prior to and after the supply or regulation of irrigation water;

(b) the gross average output per acre of land of the specified area multiplied by the average price thereof shall be the gross return from each acre of land of such specified area.

5B(1) The difference between the gross average return per acre of land in a specified area after irrigation and the gross average return per acre of such land before irrigation shall be the gross increased benefits per acre from such land.

(2) The Assessing Authority shall make a preliminary determination of the rate in respect of the land included in the specified area and shall cause notices of such preliminary determination to be served for information of persons liable to pay the rate at such amount, not exceeding 10 % of the gross increased benefits, as Government may direct specifying therein the period within which objections to the determination may be preferred, by beat of drum in the specified area as well as by hanging notices in the offices of the Union Parishads and Tahsil Kachari of the specified area.

(3) On the expiry of the period specified in the notice under sub-rule (2) the Assessing Authority shall, after considering objections, if any, received by him during such period, finally determine the rate.

5C. After the Assessing Authority has determined the rate in accordance with the provisions of rule 5B, the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, declare its intention to impose in the specified area, hereinafter referred to as the notified area, a rate at the amount so determined as required by sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Ordinance and shall impose a rate in the notified area in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the Ordinance.

5D(1) As soon as may be after the notification under sub-section (3) of section 4 of the Ordinance imposing a rate in the notified area is published, the Assessing Authority shall make a preliminary assessment of the rate payable by the owners or the occupiers in respect of the lands owned or occupied by them and shall cause notices of such preliminary assessment to be served in the manner prescribed in rule 9 and in Form A appended to these Rules, specifying therein in the period within which objections to the preliminary assessment may be preferred.

(2) On the expiry of the period specified in the notice under sub-rule (1) the Assessing Authority shall, after considering objections, if any, received by him during such period, finally assess the rate payable by such owners or occupiers".

(6) in Form A,—

(a) for the words "Government of East Pakistan" twice occurring the word "Government" shall be *substituted*; and

(b) for the words "East Pakistan Irrigation" the word "Irrigation" shall be *substituted*; and

(7) in Form B, for the words and brackets "East Pakistan (Imposition of Water Rate)" the words and brackets "Irrigation (Imposition of Water Rate)" shall be *substituted*.

By order of the President
SULTAN-UZ-ZAMAN KHAN
Secretary.