

GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
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CONFISCATION PROCEEDING

CASE SUMMARY

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the notice of the undersigned by Sri Lalhmingmawia Halam, FR, I/C, FPU Pecharthal, the Offence Report No.03/FPU/PTL/2025-26 dated, 19/05/2025 and his office letter No.F.03/FPU-PTL/OR/2025-26/15 dated, 20/05/2025 that on 19/05/2025 at about 10:30 AM during the time of patrolling duty with staff, he has apprehended 01 (one) no. vehicle bearing registration No.TR-02L-1802, Chassis No.MAT559035PVH44795, Engine No.S7052212308160070(**TATA Ace Gold**) from Ganganagar, Rajkandi area, Kumarghat with loaded over 1.112 cum Chamal sawn timber without permission of the authority, which apparently procured illegally.

AND WHEREAS, It has been reported by Sri Sri Lalhmingmawia Halam, FR, I/C, FPU Pecharthal has checked and seized the said vehicle bearing registration No.TR-02L-1802, Chassis No.MAT559035PVH44795, Engine No.S7052212308160070 (**TATA Ace Gold**) from Ganganagar, Rajkandi area, Kumarghat and brought to the FPU, Pecharthal Office Complex, Pecharthal for safe custody.

WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me vide Notification No.F.7(89)/For/FP-86/14469 dated, 09.06.1987 of the Forest Department, Govt. of Tripura and No.F.7(310)/For/FP-2016/25701-747 dated, 15.11.2016 of the Additional Secretary to the Government of Tripura as Authorized Officer for the purpose under Sub-Section-2 of Section-52(A) of the Indian Forest (Tripura Second Amendment) Act, 1986 it is contemplated to confiscate the said seized vehicle No.TR-02L-1802, Chassis No.MAT559035PVH44795, Engine No.S7052212308160070(**TATA Ace Gold**) from Ganganagar, Rajkandi area, Kumarghat for its use in carrying of forest produces of questionable origin in commission of Forest Offence of Indian Forest Act, 1927 for its use in commission of Forest Offence under section 41, 42, 52(A) & 69 of IFA, 1927 and rules made there under by the Government of Tripura.

Whereas, one person named Sri Nitai Malakar S/o: Nibaran Malakar of Purba Ratacherra, Kumarghat, Unakoti Tripura has preferred his/ her claim as owner over the said vehicle bearing Registration **TR-02L-1802 (TATA Ace Gold)** by submitted the photocopies of the documents of the said vehicle in support of his claim.

Therefore Sri Nitai Malakar S/o: Nibaran Malakar of Purba Ratacherra, Kumarghat, Unakoti Tripura was served upon a notice to appear before the authorized Officer (SDFO, Kumarghat) on 05/12/2024 in the chamber of the undersigned alongwith all relevant original documents supporting lawful ownership of the said vehicle **TR-02L-1802 (TATA Ace Gold)** and to show cause as to why the said seized vehicle shall not be confiscated to the Govt. of Tripura for the use of the vehicle in commission of Forest Offence under rules framed under section 41, 42, 51(A), 52 & 69 of IFA, 1927 failing which the decision regarding confiscation of the vehicle bearing **TR-02L-1802 (TATA Ace Gold)** will be taken ex-parte.

Whereas, Sri Nitai Malakar S/o: Nibaran Malakar of Purba Ratacherra, Kumarghat, Unakoti Tripura has appeared on 05/08/2025 for hearing and confessed his/ her guilty and submitted his written statement with prayer of compounding and stated above illegal carrying chamal sawn timber over 1.112 cum of Forest Produce without valid proper documents and promise not to commit such offence in future. She also stated that the forest offence committed by his/ her driver without his knowledge.

ORDER

Considering the facts & circumstances of the case and considering the commitment given by the owner, in her/ his statement of the seized vehicle that she/ he would not commit such mistake in future and considering her/ his prayer on the above condition, the case may be compounded on realization of **Rs.50,000/-** (Rupees fifty thousand) only as valuation and **Rs.5,000/-** (Rupees five thousand) only as compensation within **30 (thirty) days**.

The vehicle will be released on realization of the amount and after taking proper receipt of its legal owner. If she/ he does not deposit the amount with prescribed period mentioned above, the confiscation shall be resumed without any delay. All Forest produce are to be confiscated and disposed as per law by the RO, Pecharthal Range after proper handing/ taking over from the In-charge FPU, Pecharthal.

Issued under my Seal and Signature on this day, 06/08/2025.


[A. Datta, TFS]

Authorized Officer
Sub-Divisional Forest Officer
Kumarghat Forest Sub-Division

Copy to:

1. The PPS to the PCCF & HoFF, Tripura for favour of kind information of PCCF & HoFF, Tripura.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forest (Territorial/ Protection), O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Tripura for kind information.
3. The Deputy Conservator of Forest, FP/HQ/WP-I&II/ Research/ Training Div. for kind information.
4. The District Forest Officer, North/ Unakoti/ Dhalai/ West/ Sepahijala/ Gumti/ South for favour of kind information.
5. The Hon'ble Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kailashahar, Unakoti for favour of kind information.
6. The Director, ICA, Govt. of Tripura, Agartala for kind information and requested to arrange publication of the said confiscation order in 03 (three) local dailies newspaper for wide circulation. [03 (three) copies are enclosed].
7. The Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Dharmanagar/ Kanchanpur/ Kailashahar/ Manu/ Ambassa/ Teliamura/ Khowai/Mandwi/ Sadar/ Bishalghar/ Sonamura/Amarpur/ Udaipur/ Karbook/ Sabroom/ Bagafa for information and is requested to be placed in the Notice Board.
8. The Wildlife Warden, Trishna/ Sepahijala/ Gumti/ Rowa for information and is requested to be placed in the Notice Board.
9. The I/C, GIS Lab, Office of the PCCF & HoFF, Tripura, Agartala for information with a request for uploading in Forest Department portal for wide publication.
10. The Range Officer, Kumarghat/ Pecharthar/ Machmara for information and is requested to be placed in the Notice Board.
11. The I/C, FPU, Pecharthar for information and is requested to be placed in the Notice Board.
12. The Notice Board of this office.
13. Sri Nitai Malakar S/o: Nibaran Malakar of Purba Ratacherra, Kumarghat, Unakoti Tripura (M:9612419321) for information through I/C, FPU Pecharthar.



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