**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF**

**DISTRICT LEVEL COMMITTEE ON FIRE PREVENTION,**

**LAWNGTLAI DISTRICT 2023**

Date & Time : 30th January, 2023 (Monday) @ 01:00 Pm

Venue : DC’s Conference Hall

Attendance sheet : Appended

Shri. Amol Srivastava IAS, Deputy Commissioner, & Chairman, District Level Committee on Fire Prevention, Lawngtlai District welcomed all the members, officials and NGO’s for their good cooperation, which has substantially reduced the forest fire compared with the previous years.

1. **Review of performance during 2022:**

Overall, the performance of 2022-2023 regarding fire prevention was broadly good in preventing fire and enhancing awareness to the public. The details report are as shown below:

* Inaugural Function on Fire Prevention Week 2022 was held at Deputy Commissioner’s Courtyard on 7th February, 2021 @ 11:00Am. PuV.Zirsanga, Chief Executive Member, LADC hoists the function as a Chief Guest.
* Awareness Campaign on fire prevention jointly organized by EF&CC Department and CYLA was held at CYLA Hall, Lawngtlai on 24th March.2023 (Thursday)
* ` 1,50,000 /- was handed over to the CYLA for an awareness Campaign, the CYLA distributed it to their branches and the branches takes necessary action in their respective area.
* The Committee assigned the EF&CC department, LADC to have an Awareness campaign on the Eastern side and DCF (wildlife) on the western side of Lawngtlai district, it was successfully done.
* The Awareness Campaign on fire prevention successfully broadcasted through Daily Newspaper, Local cable network and Every Village Councils disseminated the fire prevention to the public through information mike as requested.
* The awareness campaigns were done by displaying Banners and poster in many convenient places within Lawngtlai District.
* Village Level Fire Prevention Committee established in most of the Villages.
* The committee decided to continue the award distribution to the three winning Village on Green Mizoram Day viz. 6th June.2023. A Consolation Prize and appreciation certificate should also be given to the villages whose contributions are no less than the winning villages on the same day. The committee also assigned MJA to select the winning villages and to prepare the criteria for selecting the best performance.
* In the following of the meeting minutes, the Deputy Commissioner issued a restricted order to carry out guns in the forest during fire season and the action was strongly taken up by Wildlife Crime Control Sub-Unit, Lawngtlai District and CYLA.
* Proposal for reconstitution of District Level Fire Prevention Committee, Lawngtlai District was submitted to the higher authority and it was approved as the proposal, which included Project Director DRDA, vide No. B.11023/21/2016-FST/313 of 14.7.2022. Also, the approval for inclusion of the other officers who can render effective cooperation towards fire prevention may forward to the competent authority as earliest as possible.

1. **Fixation of Fire Prevention Week and Inaugural Function**

The Committee suggested that the inaugural function of Fire Prevention week may be held on 6th February.2023 at DC’s Conference Hall, Lawngtlai. The Committee has entrusted the Member Secretary to the preparation of the inaugural function along with a list of invitees. Hon’ble Chief Executive Member Mr .V. Zirsanga may also be invited as a Chief Guest at this function.

**Date and time** **:** **6**th **February, 2023 (Monday) @ 11:00 AM**

**Venue** **:** **DC’s Conference Hall**

**Chairman** **:** **Deputy Commissioner & Chairman**

***District Level Fire Prevention Committee***

**Chief Quest** **:** **Shri V. Zirsanga, Chief Exexcutive Member, LADC**

**Welcome Speech** **:** **Chairman**

**Pledge** **:** **DCCF & Member Secretary**

***District Level Fire Prevention Committee***

**Special Number** **:** **Local Music Artist**

**Inaugural Speech** **:** **Chief Quest**

**Report** **:** **DCCF & Member Secretary**

***District Level Fire Prevention Committee***

**Vote of thanks** **:** **DCF (Wildlife Division) Lawngtlai**

1. **Fixation of jhum burning day:**

State Level Sub-Committee on Fire Prevention has fixed the date of jhum burning on or before 15.3.2023 for the whole of Mizoram. Therefore, the Committee has also decided to follow the date fixed by the State Level Sub-Committee proposal. The committee has also decided to request the Deputy Commissioner and Local Administrative Officer, LADC to issue an order for jhum burning to be observed before 3rd March.2023 particularly for the Fringe Villages of Protected areas viz. Ngengpui Wildlife Sanctuary, Phawngpui National Park and Buhvum Wildlife Sanctuary.

1. **Fire line cutting and Fire Fighting Activities**

The Committee has entrusted LAO (LADC) to issue an order that all the Village Council to take necessary action of fire line cutting before jhum burning in their respective areas, the committee had entrusted Village Council Association to monitor the fire line cutting and report the same to the district level fire prevention committee, Lawngtlai District.

Again, the Committee had a discussion and entrusted the Project Director, DRDA to request all the BDO to assign the MNREGA works on fire line cutting in each Villages within Lawngtlai District. Especially, the fringe village of protected areas (Ngengpui Wildlife Sanctuary, Phawngpui National Park, and Buhvum Wildlife Sanctuary) may be given a prior treatment regarding a fire line cutting.

1. **Awareness Campaign on Fire Prevention:**

The Committee has discussed and decided to have a Fire Prevention Awareness Campaign as below:

* EF&CC Department may organize a panel discussion on forest fire prevention through local cable network
* All Institution School and government offices may be requested to make pledge for prevention of forest fire.
* The Awareness Campaign may observed by using banner / posters.
* EF&CC Department and Police Department should have discussion of rules and regulation on fire prevention.
* During fire season, gun license holders may be restricted to carry out arms in the forest.
* Fire Prevention Awareness Campaign should be carried out by VC and NGO’s headed by Block Development Officer at Village and Block level.
* Short video clip of Fire Prevention awareness may be launch through Local TV and social media (WhatsApp, FB, Instagram etc.)
* Fire prevention awareness through Local newspapers, Local Cable networks, and social media may disseminate frequently.

1. **Village Level Fire Prevention Award 2022:**

The Committee suggested that the award distribution for three Villages may be continued this year too. The committee had also agreed to continue the distribution of consolation prize and appreciation certificate to those Villages whose contribution are no less than the award-winning villages. The Committee has entrusted CYLA and MJA to monitor and select the winning villages. They are also assigned to prepare the criteria for the selection.

The meeting ends with thanks by meeting Chairman, Shri. Amol Srivastava IAS

**Sd/- AmolSrivastava IAS**

*Deputy Commissioner*

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*Chairman*

*District Level Committee on Fire Prevention*

*Lawngtlai.*

**Memo No. D.31014/1(B)/2018-LADC/EFD : Dated Lawngtlai the 31st January, 2023**

*Copy to :*

1. *P.S to Chief Executive Member, LADC, for Favour of kind information.*
2. *PA to Deputy Commissioner, Lawngtlai District for kind information.*
3. *Executive Secretary, LADC for kind information.*
4. *All members for kind information and necessary action.*
5. *Office Copy*

**(K.LALROMAWIA)**

*Member Secretary*

*District Level Committee on Fire Prevention*

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*District Council Conservator of Forest*

*Lai Autonomous District Council*

*Lawngtlai*

**LAI AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT**

**MIZORAM : LAWNGTLAI**

***NO D.31014/1(B)/2022-LADC/EFD Dated Lawngtlai, the 31st January****,****2023***

To,

1. Superintendent of Police, Lawngtlai
2. Project Director, DRDA Lawngtlai
3. Executive Engineer, PHE, Lawngtlai
4. District Education Officer, Lawngtlai
5. Principal, Government Lawngtlai College, Lawngtlai
6. Principal, Government Region HSS, Lawngtlai
7. District AH &Veterinary Officer, Lawngtlai
8. District Agriculture Officer, Lawngtlai
9. Divisional Horticulture Officer, Lawngtlai
10. Deputy Conservator of Forest (W/L) Lawngtlai
11. District Council Conservator of Forest, CADC, Kamalanagar
12. Local Administrative Officer, LADC
13. Education Officer (M/S), LADC
14. Education Officer (P/S), LADC
15. Station Officer, Lawngtlai Fire & Emergency Service.
16. Child Development Project Officer, Lawngtlai
17. District Officer, Land Resources, Soil & Water Conservation, Lawngtlai
18. District Information & Public Relation Officer, Lawngtlai
19. Block Development Officer, Lawngtlai
20. President, Village Council Association, Lawngtlai
21. President, MJA, Lawngtlai
22. President, CYLA, Lawngtlai
23. President, MUP Sub-Hqtrs, Lawngtlai

***Subj : Minutes of the meeting of District Level Committee on Fire Prevention, Lawngtlai District 2023.***

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the meeting minute of the District Level Committee on Fire Prevention, Lawngtlai District held at DC’s Conference Hall on 30th January. 2023 for Favour of your kind information and necessary action.

***Encl : as above***

Yours faithfully

**(K.LALROMAWIA)**

*Member Secretary*

*District Level Committee on Fire Prevention*

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