SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION MEGHALAYA: SHILLONG. CITIZENS' CHARTER

Competing demands in agriculture, industry and domestic sectors have resulted in intensive and unscientific exploitation of soil, water and vegetation thereby causing widespread eco-system degradation.

The Soil & Water Conservation Department of Meghalaya has been entrusted with the task of formulation and implementation of schemes and projects not only to conserve soil, water and vegetation but also to promote environmental awareness so as to ensure sustainable development.

Vision

Natural resources management, particularly of soil, water and vegetation resources and judicious utilization of these resources so as to improve and sustain the ecological system while improving income earning activities of the user-communities.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO

The Conservation, Protection and Management of the major natural resources in the State viz., soil, water and vegetation.

WE STRIVE FOR

- Promoting sustainable utilization of soil, water and vegetation resources.
- Enhancing and sustaining productivity of land available for primary production systems (crop cultivation, livestock raising and forest management).
- Maintaining beneficial relationship between land and water to reduce hazards of drought and flood.
- Generating additional employment opportunities and improving income for secured livelihood in rural areas.
- Creating and building social awareness on the importance of soil, water and plant resources in the sustainable development of communities especially rural communities.
- Supporting the community's demand for food, water and energy by improving the productivity of natural resources.

WHAT WE DO

- ➤ Integrated Watershed Management.
- ➤ Management of Jhum (Shifting Cultivation) through
 - Alternative farming systems.
 - Improving the productivity of Jhum areas.
- > Reclamation of wastelands.
- ➤ Land Development terracing, bunding and reclamation of cultivable land.
- > Stream Bank Erosion Control of cultivated and cultivable lands.
- ➤ Water Harvesting to harness rainwater and surface runoff for multipurpose uses.
- ➤ Water Conservation and Distribution by impounding water of streams and rivulets and subsequently distributing it to developed land.
- Afforestation of barren hillocks or degraded land by planting suitable tree species.
- Agro-forestry by growing tree species compatible with agricultural crops in agricultural land.
- ➤ Horticulture / Plantation Crops Development by growing of crops such as coffee, rubber, cashewnut, citrus, etc.
- > Reclamation / Revitalization of Traditional Water harvesting structures.
- > Training of farmers and other stakeholders.
- > Creating Environmental Awareness.
- Educate rural communities on sustainable use of natural resources like land, soil and water.

HOW WE DO

- ✓ Identify areas which require soil and water conservation interventions.
- ✓ Determine remedial measures in consultation with the affected community / individuals.
- ✓ Facilitate the implementation of the programmes by the community / individuals by providing technical and financial support.
- ✓ Capacity Building through workshops and training programmes for organizational and participatory skills at the grassroots level to enable stakeholders to take up proper planning, implementation, management, credit operation and evaluation of the projects.

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM PEOPLE

- > Sincere and honest co-operation and participation from village communities and individuals.
- Willingness of the community / individuals to maintain and protect the assets created.

HOW CAN PEOPLE APPROACH US

- ❖ Direct contact at various Offices of the Department.
- Submission of applications to District and Subordinate officers.
- ❖ Through the Department's website www.megsoil.nic.in.

TIME FRAME FOR PROCESSING VARIOUS PROPOSALS

- ➤ Last date for receiving applications from community / individuals for schemes under Watershed management, Jhum control, wasteland development, land development, erosion control, water harvesting, water conservation & distribution, afforestation, agro-forestry, cash / horticultural crops development is the 31st of July, every year.
- ➤ Investigation and survey is carried out during August-October.
- ➤ Intimation to Applicants regarding selection / rejection of applications is done in the month of November.

TIME FRAME FOR DISPOSAL OF COMPLAINTS

- ✓ Complaints will be acknowledged within 7 working days of receipt of the complaint.
- ✓ Investigation of the complaints will be done within one month from the date of acknowledgement of the complaints.

WHOM TO CONTACT

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> District Level:-

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EAST GARO HILLS:-

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SHILLONG SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION TERRITORIAL DIVISION:-

Southern Soil & Water Conservation Range, Mawphlang.

Shillong Soil & Water Conservation Range, Ganesh Das Hospital Road, Polo Hills,

Shillong – 793002.

Laitlyngkot Soil & Water Conservation Range, Laitlyngkot.

Watershed Management Soil & Water Conservation Range, Ganesh Das Hospital Road, Polo Hills, Shillong – 793002.

Weiloi Soil & Water Conservation Beat Office, Weiloi.

SHILLONG SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION CASH CROP DIVISION:-

Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Office of the Shillong Cash Crop Division, Ganesh Das Hospital Road, Polo Hills, Shillong-793002.

JAINTIA HILLS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION TERRITORIAL DIVISION:-

Jowai Soil & Water Conservation Range, Thadlaskein.

Khliehriat Soil & Water Conservation Range, Khliehriat.

Lumshnong Soil & Water Conservation Range, Lumshnong.

Amlarem Soil & Water Conservation Range, Amlarem.

Watershed Management Soil & Water Conservation Range, Office of the Jaintia Hills Soil & Water Conservation Territorial Division, Jaintia Hills, Jowai.

Shangpung Soil & Water Conservation Range, Shangpung.

JAINTIA HILLS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION CASH CROP DIVISION:-

Amlarem Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Amlarem.

Lumshnong Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Lumshnong.

Namdong Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Namdong.

NONGSTOIN SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DIVISION:-

Mawkyrwat Soil & Water Conservation Range, Mawkyrwat.

Sonapahar Soil & Water Conservation Range, Riangdo.

Mairang Soil & Water Conservation Range, Mawsawa, Mairang.

Border Areas Soil & Water Conservation Range, Ranikor.

Nongstoin Soil & Water Conservation Range, Mawlarshong, Nongstoin.

Watershed Management Soil & Water Conservation Range, C/o Divisional Soil & Water Conservation Officer,

Soil & Water Conservation Division,

Marlarshong, Nongstoin – 793119.

Sonapahar C.C. Beat Office, Sonapahar.

RI-BHOI SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DIVISION:-

Northern Soil & Water Conservation Range, Nongpoh.

Western Soil & Water Conservation Range, Patharkhmah.

Marngar Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range.

Umroi Soil & Water Conservation Beat Office, Umroi.

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Baghmara Soil & Water Conservation Range, Baghmara.

Southern Soil & Water Conservation Range, Machangpani.

Central Soil & Water Conservation Range, Thebronggre,

Anogre Soil & Water Conservation Range, Anogre.

Damjonggre Soil & Water Conservation Range, Garobadha.

Jongchipara Soil & Water Conservation Range, Jongchipara.

Watershed Management Soil & Water Conservation Range, C/o Tura Soil & Water Conservation Territorial Division, Froestilla, Tura – 794001.

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Danakgre Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Danakgre.

Ampati Cash Crop Soil & Water Conservation Beat Office, Ampati.

Dadenggre Cash Crop Soil & Water Conservation Beat Office, Dadenggre.

SIMSANGGRE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DIVISION:-

Northern Soil & Water Conservation Range, Wageasi,

Eastern Soil & Water Conservation Range, Songsak Bonegre.

Mendipathar Soil & Water Conservation Range, Mendipathar.

Williamnagar Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Williamnagar.

Wageasi Cash Crop Range, Office of the Soil & Water Conservation Range Officer,

Wageasi Soil & Water Conservation Range, East Garo Hills.

Bajengdoba Cash Crop Beat Office, Bajengdoba.

Rongjeng Cash Crop Beat Office, Rongjeng.

Kharkutta Cash Crop Beat Office, Kharkutta.

Watershed Management Soil & Water Conservation Range, C/o Simsanggre Soil & Water Conservation Division, Williamnagar.

Adokgre Beat Office, Adokgre.

SOUTH GARO HILLS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION CASH CROP DIVISION:-

Baghmara Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Baghmara.

Chokpot Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Range, Chokpot.

Rongara Soil & Water Conservation Cash Crop Beat Office, Rongara.
