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The National Trust for Nature Conservation¹ Rules, 1984

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 16 of the National Trust for Nature Conservation¹ Act, 1982, the Government of Nepal has, in consultation with the Governing Board of Trustees of the National Trust for Nature Conservation¹, framed the following Rules:

1. **Short title and commencement:** 1) These Rules may be cited as the "National Trust for Nature Conservation¹ Rules, 1984".
2) These Rules shall come into force at once.
2. **Definition:** Unless the subject or the context otherwise requires, in these Rules,- "Act" means the National Trust for Nature Conservation¹ Act, 1982.
3. **Establishment of Office:** The Trust may set up its central office and branch offices as per necessity for conduct of its business.
4. **Provision on employees and advisers:** 1) Arrangement for employees and advisers necessary for conduct of the business of the Trust shall be made as decided by the Board.

Amended by the Some Nepal Laws Amending Act, 2006.




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- 2) Remuneration, allowance and other facilities of the employees and advisers shall be as decided by the Board.
5. **To assign employees on deputation:** 1) The Government of Nepal may, at the request of the Trust, assign any employee on deputation to carry out, or cause to be carried out, business of the Trust or for assistance.
- 2) The facilities of the employees assigned on deputation pursuant to Sub-rule (1) shall be as decided by the Board.
6. **To employ in contract:** The Trust may, if it deems so necessary, employ national or foreign citizen in contract for the interest of the Trust.
7. **Personnel administration:** The Trust may frame its separate Bye-laws for personnel administration.
8. **Remuneration of the Chairperson, Member or other office-bearers:** The remuneration, allowance and other facilities of the Chairperson, Member or other office-bearers of the Board shall be as prescribed in the Bye-laws adopted by the Board by its decision.
9. **Operation of Business:** The Trust may, in order to perform functions and duties of the Trust as referred to in Section 9 of the Act, carry out, or cause to be carried out, or assist in, the following functions in the governmental or non-governmental sectors in coordination with the concerned authority of the Government of Nepal or non-governmental organizations or individual upon taking their approval and assistance as per necessity:-
- To plant trees,
 - To carry out the act concerning conservation of land and water resources,
 - To render technical or other advice and opinions on the act of national park and wildlife conservation,
 - To increase people's participation by generating public awareness in the act of conserving nature and natural heritage,
 - To conduct scientific study and research into wildlife and other natural heritages,
 - To organize meetings, symposiums and conferences regarding conservation of nature and natural heritage, from time to time,
 - To formulate long-term plan of the Trust,
 - To render advice and opinions to the Government of Nepal to formulate policy relating to the conservation of nature and natural heritage at the national level as and when so required.



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- i) To conduct programmes relating to consultancy service and information service,
- j) To perform other necessary acts relating to nature and natural heritage.

10. **To collect donation or to receive other assistances:** The Trust may perform, or cause to be performed, the following activities to collect donation and to receive assistance in cash or kind or in any other way from the national or international organizations and from other sectors:-

- a) To keep contact with national or international organization or individual,
- b) To publicize through national or foreign newspapers, radios, televisions or similar other media,
- c) To organize conferences, seminars, lectures, exhibitions or visits in the country or in abroad,
- d) To produce, sell and distribute motion pictures relating to conservation of nature and natural heritage, wildlife, national park and reserve,
- e) To make, sell and distribute postcard, poster or any other presentable article,
- f) To collect donation from tourists visiting to view national park or reserve or other natural sites or from any person using natural resources or from mountaineers,
- g) To maintain donation box,
- h) To conduct lottery,
- i) To collect amount by such other means as the Trust deems appropriate for the interest of the Trust.

11. **To grant and to take donation or assistance:** The national or international organizations or individual may grant donation or assistances to the Trust with or without conditions for any special purpose and the Trust shall reserve the right to accept or reject such donation or assistance.

12. **Honour to a donor:** 1) A donor who contributes donation or assistance as follows to the Trust shall be honoured as follows:

- a) A donor contributing at least one million rupees (Rs.1,000,000/-) or foreign currency equivalent thereto shall be awarded the title of honorable trustee and the symbol of the Trust along with certificate by the Chairperson.

Donors not exceeding 501 contributing at least five hundred thousand rupees (Rs.500,000/-) or foreign currency equivalent



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thereto shall be awarded the title of honorable Member and the symbol of the Trust along with certificate by the Chairperson.

- c) Donors not exceeding 1001 contributing at least two hundred fifty thousand rupees (Rs.250,000/-) or foreign currency equivalent thereto shall be awarded the title of honorable contributor and the symbol of the Trust along with certificate by the Chairperson.
- d) A donor contributing at least one hundred thousand rupees (Rs.100,000/-) or foreign currency equivalent hereto shall be awarded the title of contributor and the symbol of the Trust along with certificate by the Chairperson. Such a title shall be valid for a period of upto 25 years.

2) The title as referred to in clause (a) of Sub-rules (1) may be granted by the Patron at the request of the Chairperson.

13. **Exemption from income tax:** The donor contributing donation or assistance to the Trust shall be exempted from income tax on the amount of donation or assistance so contributed pursuant to the laws in force.
14. **Grant assistance from the Trust:** (1) The Trust may provide financial grant or technical or other necessary assistance to any governmental or non-governmental organizations or individual for the purpose as referred to in Section 9 of the Act.
- (2) Any organization or individual shall have to submit an application along with the details of the work or plan to be carried out by it in order to receive grant or assistance from the Trust pursuant to Sub-rule (1).
- (3) An organization or individual receiving grant or assistance from the Trust pursuant to Sub-rule (1) shall have to carry out acts as per the terms and conditions prescribed by the Trust.
15. **Expenditure may be provided:** Any governmental or non-governmental organization or individual collecting donation for the interest of the Trust shall be provided with an expenditure not exceeding 15% of the collected amount for the cost expenses.
16. **Investment may be made:** The Trust may invest an amount or property received by it in any scheme and generate income therefrom.

Exemption from tariff and tax : (1) The cash, commodity, movable and immovable properties, goods and equipment purchased or imported by the



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Trust on its own from the country or from abroad or² to be received by the Trust from the country or from the abroad as a donation or assistance shall be exempted from customs duty, sales tax, and any kind of tariff pursuant to the laws in force.

(2) An amount received by the Trust as a donation or assistance or earned by making investment or movable or immovable properties of the Trust shall be exempted from the income tax pursuant to the laws in force.

18. **Representative may be designated:** The Trust may designate any individual or organization as its representative or employ them to collect donation for the Trust or to publicize or to perform any other acts for the interest of the Trust.
19. **Facilities to the foreign advisors and technicians:** The facilities equivalent to those accorded to the advisors or persons of the United Nations Development Programme working in Nepal shall be accorded to the foreign advisors or technicians working in the Trust.
20. **Powers to constitute a Sub-committee:** 1) The Board may, if it deems necessary or reasonable, constitute a Sub-committee in a foreign country as well in order to promote and develop the business of the Trust.
2) The Sub-committee shall consist of the members as nominated by the Board.
3) The Board may designate the In-charge of the Royal Nepalese Embassy or Mission based in the concerned country as the ex-officio member of the Sub-committee to be constituted pursuant to Sub-rule (1).

By order,

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Secretary to the Government of Nepal



² Inserted by the first Amendment.

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