MEGHALAYA FOREST (EJECTMENT OF UNAUTHORISED PERSONS FROM RESERVED FORESTS) RULES, 1979.

Notification No. M.F.G.1/36, dated 8-8-1979. In exercise of the powers conferred by Cl. (c) of S. 72 of the Meghalaya Forest Regulation (Assam Forest Regulation, 1981 as applied to Meghalaya), the State Government hereby make the following rules, namely:

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.** (1) These rules may be called the Meghalaya Forest (Ejectment of Unauthorised Persons from Reserved Forests) Rules, 1979.

   (2) They shall extend to the whole of the State of Meghalaya.

   (3) They shall come into force with immediate effect.

2. **Definitions**. (1) In these rules unless the context otherwise requires-

   (a) "Divisional Forest Officer" includes any person in charge of a Forest Division.

   (b) "Reserved Forest" means areas duly notified as reserve forest under S.4 of the Regulation.

   (c) "Regulation" means Meghalaya Forest Regulation (Assam Forest Regulation, 1891 as applied to Meghalaya).

   (2) Words and expressions used but not defined in these rules but defined in the Regulation shall have their meaning respectively assigned to them in the said Regulation.

   (3) The Divisional Forest Officer may eject any person who has entered into unauthorized occupation of land in a reserved forest or order him to vacate such unauthorized occupant.

   (4) When any person is ejected under R. 3 or ordered to vacate the land under his unauthorized occupation the Divisional Forest Officer may sell, confiscate or destroy any crops raised, building or construction erected on the land without authority.