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Office Order

This Directorate is imparting eighteen-months Induction Training of Forest Range Officers (FROs) through nine State-run Forest Academies/Forestry Training Institutes under the *technical control of the Directorate of Forest Education (DFE), Dehradun*.

The Director Forest Education, from time to time, revises the rates of training expenses for the said eighteen-month Induction Training under the powers vested with him in accordance with the *Entrance and Training Rules, 2004 for Forest Range Officers* and earlier instructions of the Government of India.

The training expenses in respect of the following items were last revised as under:

S.N.	Particulars	Last Revised in
1	Tuition Fee @ Rs. 1,00,000/- per trainee for the whole course	April 2022
2	Tour Expenses (excluding journey expenses during joining, leaving, and vacation/leave) @ Rs. 2,50,000/- per trainee for the whole course	April 2022
3	Equipment Allowance @ Rs. 1,00,000/- per trainee for the whole course	April 2022
4	Institutional Charges @ Rs. 50,000/- per whole course	April 2022
	Total @Rs. 5,00,000/- per trainee	

Over the past few years, the cost of various commodities and services has increased substantially, ranging between 15% to 20% as per the Consumer Price Index. Considering this rise in costs and maintenance expenditure, it has become necessary to revise the existing rates of training expenses so that the training of Forest Range Officers is not adversely affected due to shortage of funds.

In view of the above, and under the powers vested with the undersigned vide *Notification F. No. 3-17/99-RT(I) dated 21st June, 2004* — “*Entrance & Training Rules (Revised), 2004 for the Forest Range Officers (General Rules) Section-IV, Rule 30*” — the revised rates of tuition fee, tour expenses, equipment allowance, caution money, and stipend in respect of FRO trainees sponsored for the eighteen-month certificate course in Forestry at the nine State-run Forest Academies/FTIs under the technical control of DFE, Dehradun, are hereby notified as follows:

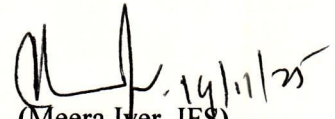
Sl. No.	Particulars	Revised Rates per Forest Range Officer Trainee	Remarks
1	Tuition Fee per trainee for the whole course	Rs. 1,10,000/- per trainee for the whole course	Effective from FRO 2025-27 Batch commencing after 01.12.2025
2	Tour Expenses*	Rs. 2,90,000/- per trainee or as estimated by the Principal of the concerned Academy, whichever is lower, for the whole course	-do-
3	Equipment Allowance per trainee	Rs. 1,00,000/- per trainee for the whole course	-do-
4	Institutional Charges	Rs. 50,000/- per trainee for the whole course	-do-
	Total	@Rs. 5,50,000/- per trainee	

**Excluding journey expenses during joining, leaving and vacation/leave.*

The above rates will come into effect from 1st December 2025 and shall be applicable for the FRO Induction Courses beginning after this date.

Further Instructions:

1. The enhanced rates of tuition fee, tour expenses, equipment allowance, and institutional charges shall be effective for the FRO 2025–27 batches commencing on or after 1st December, 2025.
2. **Caution Money (Refundable):** Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) shall be deposited by each Officer Trainee at the time of admission to the Academy. The same shall be refunded by the Academy at the time of passing out.
3. **Stipend:** In case stipends are to be paid to the trainees, it shall be ensured that a minimum stipend of Rs. 44,900/- (Rupees Forty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred only) per month per trainee is paid.
4. **Lodging and Travel Expenses:** During tours, trainees shall be entitled to travel and daily allowances as admissible to Government of India officers drawing equivalent Grade Pay, as per the applicable T.A. Rules. In case of fund constraints, lower rates may be adopted by the Academy. However, if higher expenses become unavoidable due to unforeseen circumstances, prior approval of the competent authority shall be obtained.
5. **Equipment and Other Items:** All procurements shall strictly adhere to the provisions of the *General Financial Rules (GFR), Government of India*. The Purchase Committee shall include three representatives from the concerned batch of trainees. Any savings against the equipment funds received from the sponsoring State Governments shall be refunded to the respective States immediately after completion of the course.
6. **Institutional Charges:** Expenses towards electricity, water, hostel cleaning consumables, IT charges, and other training-related costs may be proportionately met from the Institutional Charges.
7. **Maintenance of Accounts:** The Director/Principal of each Academy shall maintain detailed accounts of all training-related expenses as per Government of India accounting rules and procedures. Any balance amount or additional demand relating to Tour Expenses, if any, shall be settled with the sponsoring State/Authority within three (03) months from the date of completion of the course.


(Meera Iyer, IFS)

Director Forest Education

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2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), all States/Union Territories.
3. The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (RT), Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
4. The Director's/Principal of all State Run Forest Academy/ Forest Training Institutes for information and necessary action.
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