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ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF BHUTAN
MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS AND PARK SERVICES
DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICE, GEDU



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Public Notification

Divisional Forest Office, Gedu is pleased to notify all eligible Bhutanese firms or private parties for the Phase II scientific thinning operation through the private sector in the following available scientific thinning sites. The interested private sectors meeting the eligibility criteria as per the "Modality for allotment of sites and extraction of timber from Phase II Scientific thinning operations through private sector" are invited to participate in the Lucky dip system allotment.

Sl.no	Thinning	Thinning	Thinning	Thinning	Approximate	Log	Approximate	Species	Forest
	Area	Production	Volume	Volume	volume (cft)		Cable line	Composition	Туре
		Area (Ha)	(Standing	(Standing			(numbers)		-71
			volume	volume					
			in m3)	in cft)					
1	Bongo	177.79	497.68	16942.21	9777.48		10	11.45%	CBLF,
	(Micro							Broadleaf &	EOF,
	top)							88.55%	FF,
								Conifer	HF,
2	Bjabcho	44.81	133.00	4697.42	1879.60		5	99.9%	BPF,
	(Proper							Broadleaf &	CBLF,
	Bjabcho)							0.1%	EOF
								Conifer	
Total		222.6	630.68	21639.63	11657.08		15		

Note: 1. CBLF – Cool Broadleaved Forest, 2. EOF- Evergreen Oak Forest, 3. FF-Fir Forest, 4. HF-Hemlock Forest, 5. SF-Spruce Forest, 6. SubF-Subtropical Forest, 7. WBLF-Warm Broadleaved Forest, 8. BPF-Bluepine Forest

The tentative date for the site allotment to the private sector through the Lucky dip will be conducted on 8th January 2025 at Division Conference Hall, Gedu.

The registration of interested private parties shall remain open till 5th January 2025, 12:00 AM.

For registration, please visit the link: https://tinyurl.com/ur54vpmt (OR)

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Note: All the interested private parties may thoroughly inspect the scientific thinning areas listed above and may assess the quantity and quality of the timbers before the commencement of the Lucky dip allotment.

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The following requirements shall apply to interested Bhutanese firms or private sectors:

1. Eligibility Criteria

Any registered Bhutanese firm or private party intending to participate in the Lucky dip system for allotment of scientific thinning operation areas shall fulfill the following requirements:

- 1.1. Possess a valid wood-based industries license (Primary or Secondary).
- 1.2. Registered with the Department of Forests and Park Services.
- 1.3. Produce evidence of ownership or authorized hire of at least one cable crane either in the form of ownership certificates or a letter of authorization to use the crane from the owner in case of hire.
- 1.4. In case of a hired cable crane, the cable crane must not be hired by multiple parties.
- 1.5. A copy of the documents listed above shall be submitted to the CFO for verification.

2. Registration

- 2.1. The eligible private party or representative shall register with the CFO to attend the Lucky dip system with copies of the **trade license**, **department-issued registration letter**, and a **letter of power of attorney in case a representative** is participating in the allotment.
- 2.2. An amount equivalent to 2% of the sale value at the approved NRPC rate for the log shall be deposited as earnest money (EMD) in the form of a cash warrant or demand draft at the time of registration. The EMD shall be refunded to those who are unsuccessful in the Lucky dip. However, the EMD of the winner of the Lucky dip shall be retained and refunded upon successful completion of the thinning operation and upon receipt of coupe clearance.

3. Allotment Procedure

- 3.1. The allotment of thinning operation sites shall be made through the Lucky dip system conducted by the allotment committee.
- 3.2. All eligible private sectors shall be allowed to participate in the Lucky dip system.
- 3.3. The private party shall report to the allotment venue at the date and time mentioned above, failing which the participants shall not be allowed to participate in the Lucky dip.
- 3.4. The winning private party shall commence thinning operations within 1 month from the date of signing of the Contract Agreement.
- 3.5. The thinning operation site allotted to a private party shall be non-transferable.
- 3.6. A non-refundable reforestation cost that will be incurred for the reforestation of clear-felled areas of cable corridors through the plantations shall be deposited as upfront payment by the Lucky dip winner on allotment of any scientific thinning operation area. The cost shall be determined by the concerned CFO in accordance with the Plantation Norms and Standards.

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For further clarification, please contact the Allotment Chairperson at +975 17290405 (Email: rinzindorji@moenr.gov.bt) or the Member Secretary at +975 17482578 (Email: sonaml@moenr.gov.bt) during the office hours.

Thank you

(Rinzin Dorji)

Offtg. Chief Forestry Officer



Copy to:

- 1. The Hon'ble Director, DoFPS, Thimphu for favor of kind information.
- 2. Dasho Dzongda, Chukha for kind information.
- 3. The Chief Forestry Officer, FRPMD, DoFPS, Thimphu for kind information.
- 4. ICT, MoENR, Thimphu for the publication of notification on the website.
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- 6. The Gups, Bongo, and Bjabcho Gewog for kind information.
- 7. Range Officers, Tshimasham and Gedu Gewog for information, awareness creation and dissemination to the interested eligible private sectors.