

## **Regulations of Jharkhand Environment Development Agency (JEDA)**

### Chapter-1-Preliminary

1. Name - The Society shall be called Jharkhand Environment Development Agency, also to be known by the acronym JEDA.
2. Office of the Society- The registered office of the society shall be situated in Ranchi.
3. Area of Operation- The operational jurisdiction of the Society shall extend to the whole of Jharkhand.
4. Definitions-
  - 1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
    - a) “Act” means the Society Registration Act, 1860;
    - b) Agency means Jharkhand Environment Development Agency (an Agency formed by the State Govt. in conformity with the provision of section 20 of Societies Registration Act, 1860.)
    - c) Managing Committee means the duly constituted committee of members appointed by the State government.
    - d) Government means State Govt.
    - e) Chairman means the Chairman of the Society.
    - f) Vice Chairman means the Vice Chairman of the Society.
    - g) Executive Director means Executive Director of the Agency appointed by the State Government.
    - h) Project Director means Project Director of the Agency appointed by the state Government.
    - i) Financial year means 12 months commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> April and ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March.
    - j) “Regulations” means that Rules and Regulations of the society as registered under the provisions of the Act.
    - k) District Environment Committee means the committee duly constituted by the govt.
  - 2) Words and expressions used in these Regulations and not defined herein but defined in the Act shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

## Chapter-2 Aims and Objects

5. The Society is established to promote sustainable development as a concept which can reconcile the tensions between economic development and environmental protection in Jharkhand State. Accordingly, the Society will have the following objectives:

- a) to develop policies and administrative measures for prompt and effective consultation on matters relating to environment conservation and management.
- b) to ensure maximum cooperation and coordination among related enforcing agencies and other public departments dealing with environmental issues.
- c) to promote coordination by government agencies with non-governmental organizations and the private sector;
- d) to enable the govt. to take decisions on advice rendered by State Pollution Control Board or such other environmental groups for control of environmental degradation with the help of technical inputs.
- e) to enable the government with technical support to give directions to the regulatory bodies as provided under different environmental laws-with regard to different environmental issues.
- f) to collect and disseminate information on environment related issues in the state through Envis-Jharkhand.
- g) to ensure that information is shared by all stakeholders in order to develop a better understanding of environmental issues and of problems relating to enforcement of environmental laws.
- h) to coordinate , implement and monitor the activities relating to the environment education, awareness and information, etc, through appropriate agencies in the state.
- i) to examine and recommend any proposal on the mentioned subject matter in the state for funding by the state, GOI and other agencies.
- j) to provide training, technical support, capacity building and extend advocacy in the area of environment management to all stakeholders.
- k) to promote, undertake & implement field study and research oriented projects on environment related issues in the state through appropriate agency.
- l) to guide and coordinate the functioning of District Environment Committee at the district level.
- m) to compile and process the reports of District Environment Committee wise at the state level..
- n) to provide funds to District Environment Committee at the district level for environment related activities.
- o) to prepare State of Environment Report for the state

p) to carry out such other activities as may be directed by the state govt. for sustainable development and ecological stability.

### Chapter 3 - Membership

6. Members of the Society shall be of the following categories:

a) Patrons: Chief Minister and Minister in-charge of environment are ex-officio Patrons of the Society.

b) Ex-officio Members: By virtue of holding a particular official position in the state govt. as per the list in clause 7.

c) Nominated Members: Members in this category shall be drawn from the fields covered under the aims and objects of the society either on nomination basis or on charge of membership fee by the State Government.

7. Ex-officio Members of the Society are:

1. Principal Secretary, Forests and Environment Dept. Govt. of Jharkhand	Chairman
2. Executive Director JEDA	Vice Chairman
3. Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and Biodiversity	Member
4. Chief Conservator of Forests, Working Plan & Research, Jharkhand	Member
5. Director, Industries	Member
6. Director, Handloom, Sericulture and Handicrafts	Member
7. Director, JREDA,	Member
8. Tribal Welfare commissioner	Member
9. .Director, Agriculture	Member
10. Director, Mines	Member
11. Director, Panchayati Raj	Member
12. Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources	Member
13. Director, Tourism,	Member
14. Transport Commissioner	Member
15. Director, Primary Education	Member
16. Director, Science and Technology	Member
17. Director, Statistics	Member
18. Chief Factory Inspector	Member
19. Chief Engineer, Technical Cell, or chief Town Planner Or any other person dealing with waste disposal Urban Dev. Department	Member
20. Director, Health or his representative	Member
21. Chairman, District Environment committee	Member

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| 22. Member Secretary, District Environment Committee              | Member           |
| 23. Member Secretary,<br>Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board. | Member           |
| 24. Project Director, JEDA  | Member Secretary |

#### 8. Tenure of Membership:

The membership of the Society shall be initially for a period of three years but may be extended subsequently on year to year basis by the Managing Committee. Ex-officio members shall continue to be members as long as they hold the position in office.

#### 9. Termination of Membership:

Membership shall stand terminated on the recommendation of the Managing Committee for only nominated member. The decision of the Chairman in this case shall be final.

#### 10. Register of Members:

The society shall maintain at its registered office a register of its members and shall enter therein the particulars of members as per the provisions of the act.

#### 11. General Body:

The members of the society shall be collectively known as General Body of the Society.

12. The Society, its Managing Committee and such other committees as the Society may constitute, shall function, notwithstanding, that any person who is entitled to be a member by reason of his office is not a member of the Society (or its committees) for the time being and notwithstanding any other vacancy, whether by non appointment or otherwise; and no act or proceeding of the society (or its committees) shall be invalidated or called in question merely by reason of the happening of any of the above irregularities in the nominations of any of its members.

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## Chapter 4 – Funds and Property

14. Funds of the Society shall consist of -
- (a) Fees earned from services rendered, from projects executed and fees from membership, consultations services from govt./non-govt./corporate bodies / individuals sectors.
  - (b) Grants and subsidies from Governments including State Government, Government of India and national / international organizations;
  - (c) Donations and other voluntary contributions from members, non members- individuals and Govt. & Non- Govt. Organizations;
  - (d) Loans from financial institutions and others as may be contracted by the Managing Committee from time to time, subject to the approval of the State Government; and
  - (e) Any other mode of fund raising; as agreed upon by the Managing Committee and subject to approval of the State Government; to meet the aims and objectives of the Society .
15. **Property:** All the movable and immovable property acquired from the funds mentioned herein above shall be in the name of the Society Immovable properties shall not be purchased, sold, mortgaged or transferred without resolution of the Management Committee to this effect and with the prior permission of the State Government.

## Chapter 5 – General Body

16. The supreme authority of the Society shall vest in its General Body.
17. There shall be an Annual General Meeting of the General Body of the Society once in every financial year at such date, time and place as may be decided by the Chairman. The Chairman, or, in his / her absence the Vice Chairman, shall preside over the meeting. In the event of both being absent, one member present in the meeting shall be elected to chair the meeting.
18. All meetings of the Society shall be called by notices under the signature of the Executive Director or any other officer authorized in this behalf by him.
19. Every notice calling a meeting of the Society shall state date, time and place at which such meetings shall be held and shall be delivered by hand or sent by registered post to every member of at the address mentioned in the Register of Members not less than 21 clear days before the date appointed for the annual General Meeting and 15 days before the date appointed for a special General Meeting.
20. The quorum of the Meeting shall be 10 or one third (1 / 3) of the total number of members on the date of notice of meeting whichever is less.
21. The Chairman, on matters that are sufficiently important and urgent in his / her opinion and cannot wait for the next meeting of the General Body, may exercise his / her discretion as per clause (30) of Chapter 7.
22. The following matters shall be dealt with by the General Body:-
  - (a) To consider and adopt the audited annual financial statements of the Society.
  - (b) To consider and approve the annual budget of the Society for the next financial year.
  - (c) To consider and approve the Annual Report of the Society.
  - (d) To elect up to three members on the Managing Committee out of the nominated members in the Society.
  - (e) To consider and approve the amendments in the Regulations as proposed by the Managing Committee. At least two thirds (2 / 3<sup>rd</sup>) of the members

present and voting shall have to approve the amendments.

- (f) To dissolve the Society and dispose off the property in its ownership in accordance with provisions of the Act relating to the dissolution of societies;

Provided that a resolution for the purpose shall be considered at a specially convened meeting, presided over by the Chairman; and that at such a meeting at least half of the total strength of active members are present further that of these two thirds (2 / 3<sup>rd</sup>) vote in favour of such a resolution.

- (g) To consider and approve any other matter referred by the Managing Committee.

### **Chapter 6 – Managing Committee**

23. The business of the Society, as per its aims and objectives, shall be managed and carried out by the Managing Committee. It shall undertake all such activities as are necessary of the purposes illustrated in the Regulations.

24. The Managing Committee shall comprise of the following:-

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1.	Principal Secretary – Deptt. of Forests & Environment, Govt. of Jharkhand	Chairman
2.	Executive Director, JEDA	Vice Chairman
3.	Director, Industries	Member
4.	Director, Handloom, Sericulture and Handicrafts	Member
5.	Director, JREDA,	Member
6.	Tribal Welfare commissioner	Member
7.	Director, Agriculture	Member
8.	Director, Mines	Member
9.	Director, Panchayati Raj	Member
10.	Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources	Member
11.	Director, Tourism,	Member
12.	Transport Commissioner	Member
13.	Director, Primary Education	Member
14.	Director, Science and Technology	Member
15.	Director, Statistics	Member

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| 16. Chief Factory Inspector   | Member       |
| 17. Chief Engineer, Technical Cell, Or chief Town Planner<br>Or any other person dealing with waste disposal<br>Urban Dev. Department | Member       |
| 18. Director, Health or his representative  | Member       |
| 19. Member Secretary,<br>Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board.   | Member       |
| 20. Project Director, JEDA  | Co-ordinator |
| 21. Three members of the Society, elected by the General Body,  |              |
25. In the absence of Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall preside over the Managing Committee Meetings. In their absence, a person nominated by the Chairman will preside in this absence at the meetings convened. Quorum of the Managing Committee shall be five. Meetings of the Managing Committee shall be held ordinarily once in every month.
26. **Term of Elected Members on the Managing Committee:** Term of elected members on the board shall be three years from the date of their election on to the Managing Committee.
27. An elected member on the Managing Committee shall cease to be a member –
- a) If he dies, resigns, becomes insane or is convicted of a criminal offence;
  - b) If he does not attend three consecutive meetings of the Board without prior intimation in writing to the Project Director/Executive Director.
- Resignation from the Managing Committee shall take effect only from the date it is accepted by the Managing Committee.
28. The Managing Committee will meet on a notice served to the members seven days before the appointed date. In urgent cases, the Chairman may exercise his/her discretion as per clause (30) of Chapter 7.
29. The Managing Committee shall exercise all financial and administrative powers to control and regulate the activities of the Society and shall also have powers and duties as under:-
- (a) To frame general guidelines for management of environment in the State;
  - (b) To raise funds and other resources for the activities of the Society;
  - (c) To make rules to manage and maintain the properties of the Society;

- (d) To approve the organization structure and to decide emoluments and service conditions of employees.
- (e) To pass annual report and statement of accounts and place them before the General Body for approval.
- (f) To pass the budget of the Society for the ensuing financial year and place them before the General Body for approval.
- (g) To frame rules regarding hiring of services of professionals/technical advisors/consultants in the field of environment.
- (h) To appoint Chartered Accountant for auditing the accounts of the Society and to fix terms and conditions for its services.
- (i) To delegate any of its powers and functions to the Executive Director , Project Director and other Office Bearers.
- (j) To arrange to send to the Registrar annual returns and audited statement of income and expenditure and balance sheet as required under the Act;
- (k) To recommend amendment to the Regulations for being adopted by the General Body as per provisions of the Act in this regard;
- (l) To perform all such other functions as are necessary for conducting the business of the Society.







