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NOTIFICATION

The Government has reviewed the five-year ban imposed on the collection of all medicinal plants and non-timber forest produce for commercial purposes and has taken note of the good regeneration of these species that has resulted from it.

In view of the need to consolidate the gains already accomplished during the past five years in conservation of such plants within forest areas, the averament further bans the collection of all medicinal plants and non-timber forest produce for commercial purposes for a period of another five years commencing from September, 2006. This ban will not include bamboos, grasses, plants used as food, cardamom and non-timber forest produce collected for house-hold consumption.

By Order.

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