

**TAMILNADU PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS AND LANGUAGE TESTS –**  
**APRIL - 2024**

**DIVISION - A : DEPARTMENTAL TEST ON FOREST LAW**  
**(FOR OFFICERS OF THE INDIAN FOREST SERVICE AND**  
**TAMILNADU FOREST SERVICE)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

- Note:
1. Questions carry marks as shown against them.
  2. Answer ALL the questions and quoting the relevant sections.

**PART I — (WITHOUT BOOKS)**

1. Write short notes on : (10)
  - (a) Possession of Sandalwood under license with relevant sections
  - (b) Compounding of forest offences with relevant sections.
2. In Ooty, a farmer wants to cut 50 numbers of silver oak trees in his farm land. What are the procedures have to be followed under the Tamilnadu Hill Area (Preservation of Trees) Act 1955? Who are the hill area committee members and what are their functions under the Act? (10)
3. Differentiate the following : (20)
  - (a) Sanctuary and National parks
  - (b) Bailable and non-bailable offences
  - (c) Summons and Warrants
  - (d) Community reserve and Conservation reserves
4. Briefly explain the powers of entry, search, arrest, detention and penalties for offences under the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972. (10)

**[Turn Over**

## PART II — (WITH BOOKS)

5. How will delineate core and Buffer zone of a Tiger Reserve as per the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972 and amendments thereof? (15)
6. Briefly explain the followings : (10)
- (a) Powers of Forest Settlement Officer under the Tamilnadu Forest Act 1882
  - (b) Powers of the Tiger Conservation Authority of India.
7. A vehicle with teak wood cut from the nearby reserved forest area has been caught by Range officer in your division where you are posted as DFO and the driver of the vehicle has been arrested. Briefly explain with relevant sections how will the range officer proceed to book the offences and how will you proceed to confiscate the illicit teak woods together with tools and vehicle used in commission of the offence. (15)
8. Write a short notes on the following :
- (a) Penalties for hunting elephant under the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972 (4)
  - (b) One School boy has hunted the Crow. Is it punishable under the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972? (2)
  - (c) Differentiate the Reserved Forest (RF) and the Reserved Land (RL). (4)
-