

CHAPTER 27

Uniforms

Uniforms have been prescribed for the members of Rajasthan Forest Subordinate service as well as for other employees e.g. Class IV, Drivers, etc. working in the department through specified rules.

For the members of Rajasthan Forest Subordinate Services the Govt. has prescribed specific uniforms by framing Rajasthan Forest Uniform rules, 1999.¹ They are applicable with effect from 1.4.2000. The text of the order is reproduced as below:

ORDER

Sub: Rajasthan Forest Uniform Rules, 1999

With a view to prescribe specific uniform for the members of Forest Sub-ordinate Service working on the post specified in Schedule I of Rajasthan Forest Subordinate Service Rule, 1963 and to regulate thereof, the Governor is pleased to make the following rules namely;

1. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT: -

These Rules may be called the Rajasthan Forest Uniform Rules, 1999 and shall be applicable with effect from 1.4.2000

2. DEFINITION:-

In these rules unless otherwise required "Government" means the Government of Rajasthan.

3. SPECIFICATION OF UNIFORM:-

The Uniform to be worn by a Ranger grade I & Ranger grade II, Forester, Asstt. Forester and Forest Guard of the Rajasthan Forest Subordinate Service shall be as specified in schedule I to these rules, provided that the Government may by notification, prescribe Uniform in respect of other categories of Rajasthan Forest Subordinate Service Employee not covered above.

¹ G.O. No. F.15(19) Rev/Gr-8/87 Dated Nov. 20th, 1999.

4. SCALE OF UNIFORM:-

- 4.1. The articles of Uniform shall be supplied at Govt cost to Foresters, Asstt. Foresters and Forest Guards according to the scale prescribed in Schedule II to these rules for the period of Serviceability specified in respect of each such articles of uniform provided that it would be at the discretion of the authority supplying Uniform to reduce the scale or defer its supply for a certain period.
- 4.2. The Ranger Grade I & Ranger Grade II will be entitled to get an initial grant and the renewal of uniform grant as indicated in annexure-A to Schedule-II, provided that it would be at the discretion of the authority sanctioning the grant to reduce the scale or defer its payment for any period.
- 4.3. No Change whatsoever will be made in the pattern of material of any article of Uniform prescribed for the Ranger Grade I & Ranger Grade II, Forester, Asstt. Forester and Forest Guard except under the orders of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Rajasthan.
- 4.4. No material or cloth other than those prescribed shall be included or allowed to be worn.

5. UNIFORM TO BE WORN ON ALL DUTIES:-

- 5.1. Ranger Gr.I & Ranger Grade II, Forster, Asstt. Forester and Forest Guard shall wear Uniform while on duty, which involves the exercise of their power as Forest Officer. The wearing at any time of a mixture of Uniform and plain clothes or of unauthorized variations of uniform is absolutely prohibited and shall invite disciplinary action.
- 5.2. The nature of Uniform to be worn on duty shall be regulated by the orders of the Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of forests/Soil Conservation Officer/Working Plan Officer/Dy. Chief wildlife warden/Assistant Conservator of Forests/Wild life Warden according to the nature of duties, subject to these rules and schedules I & II appended to them, provided that all men proceeding on duty together shall be clothed alike.
- 5.3. Ranger Gr.I & Ranger Grade II, Foresters, Asstt. Foresters and Forest Guards appearing in the courts of law as prosecutors, witnesses and escorts shall wear Uniform.
- 5.4. Forest regulation Uniform shall not be worm at fancy dress hall, nor shall such Uniform be lent for use or worn by their owners in dramatic performances or other entertainments. There is, however, no objection to Uniform of obsolete pattern being worn on such occasions.

- 6. REULAR PERIODICAL ISSUE OF THE ARTICLES OF CLOTHING:-**
- 6.1. The period of serviceability of each article of Uniform and equipment which are of general use has been fixed and may be extended at the discretion of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
 - 6.2. If any article of clothing or equipment is held after formal inquiry to have been rendered unserviceable within the prescribed period through ordinary wear and tear and not through unfair use, it shall be replaced at Govt. cost under the orders of the Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forests/Deputy Chief Wild Life Warden/ Soil Conservation Officer/Working Plan Officer/Asstt. Conservator of Forests/Wild Life Warden.
 - 6.3. If any article of clothing or equipment is held after formal enquiry to have been rendered unserviceable within the prescribed period due to unfair wear and tear, the proportionate cost should be recovered from the defaulter and fresh article of clothing or equipment, as the case may be, may be issued to him from the store under the orders of the Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forests/Deputy Chief Wild Life Warden/ Soil Conservation Officer / Asstt. Conservator of Forests/Wild Life Warden. Such stores rendered unserviceable shall be the property of the state and in case the individual wants to retain the articles 1/10th of the book value over and above the proportionate value be recovered from him.
 - 6.4. Articles, which have outlived the period of serviceability, may be sold to the men/women after recovering 1/10th of the book value on cash payment.
 - 6.5. The proportionate cost will be calculated on the basis of the period for which the article of Uniform was actually in use and the period for which it was likely to be used according to the prescribed period of serviceability.
 - 6.6. As and when the articles of clothing become unserviceable on the expiry of the period of serviceability the store-keeper shall stamp the articles with the stamp "U/S" in indelible ink at a place somewhere inside the garment. When the garments are retained by the personnel at 1/10th cost, they should be so disfigured that they should not be used again.
 - 6.7. The store-keeper will maintain a register of unserviceable and condemned stores as per Appendix 'A'
 - 6.8. Efforts should be made to make all renewals/issues of articles of clothing and equipment due on in any year at one time.
 - 6.9. Proper kit inspection will be carried out by all the supervising officers before replacement is made. Stores which have become actually unserviceable after period of serviceability will be replaced and those stores found serviceable

even though they might have covered the serviceability period, may be retained and encouragement should be given to the personnel who maintain their kit neatly and properly by way of commendation certificate;

6.10. Whenever transfers of Foresters, Asstt. Foresters and Forest Guards are made from one Division to another division an Issue Voucher will be sent to the division concerned for checking the kit and taking them in charge. The Foresters, Asstt. Foresters and Forest Guards will be allowed to take their entire kit when transferred.

7. NUMBER OF KITS TO BE MAINTAINED:-

7.1 Full kits corresponding to the number of Foresters, Asstt. Forester and Forest Guards sanctioned for the Division shall be maintained provided that no kits shall be kept for men solely for duties for which Uniform is not required.

8. REPAIRS OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT:-

8.1 Repairs will be carried out by the user concerned with materials of the standard pattern issued from the store. The cost of repair shall be borne by the individual concerned.

9. DISPOSAL OF UNSEVICEABLE CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT:-

9.1 All articles of Uniform which are rendered unfit for use and which can't be repaired and made useful shall be condemned after six monthly or annual inspection by condemnation committee consisting of Conservator of Forests of the circle concerned or his representative, Divisional Forest Officer and Asstt. Conservator of the Division, AAO/Actt/Junior Actt.

9.2 Such of the unserviceable articles are suitable for the purpose may be used for clearing Govt. Vehicles and buildings in charge of the Department after obtaining permission from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

9.3 Distinguishing features shall be removed from all article of Uniform before they are sold.

10 CLOTHING DEDUCTIONS:-

10.1 The store-keeper shall furnish to the Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forests by the 20th of each month a complete account in duplicate of all recoveries which have become due from Forest Officers since the twentieth of proceeding month of account of repairs of (replacement of Uniform and the sale of the time expired clothing or material) from the stores. The Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forests shall cause an order to be entered in the order book authorising the recoveries to be made

from the Forest Officers concerned. Recoveries shall be made at source from the pay bills.

11 SURRENDER OF KIT:-

- 11.1 When a Ranger grade I & Ranger Grade II, Forester, Asstt. Forester or Forest Guard ceases to be a member of the service for any cause or is promoted to upper subordinate rank, he shall surrender full kit.
- 11.2 All kits surrendered under this rule shall be returned to the stores and shall be disposed in the manner laid down in Rule 13.

12 REVISION OF PERIOD OF SERVICEABILITY:-

- 12.1 The Government may revise the period of serviceability in respect of any article/all articles of Uniform.

13 REPEAL AND SAVING:-

- 13.1 These rules shall supersede all rules and orders in force corresponding to these rules at the time of commencement thereof, provided that any order made or action taken under any order or rules so repealed shall be deemed to have been made or action taken under the corresponding provision of these rules.
- 13.2 This bears the concurrence of Finance (Exp-I) Deptt. vide their ID No. 3348 dated 23.10.99.

By order of the Governor

(S.Ahmad)

Secretary to the Government

SCHEDULE-I

Details of the Uniform to be worn by Forest Subordinates

1. Ranger (Grade I)

1(A) Summer working dress

- 1.1.1. Khaki shirt with folded sleeves
- 1.1.2. Khaki trousers
- 1.1.3. Peak Cap with service badge or Jungle hat Khaki
- 1.1.4. Whistle with lanyard (Khaki)
- 1.1.5. Leather shoes brown or hunter shoes with Khaki shocks.
- 1.1.6. Sam brown belt with silver buckle and plate bearing service badge and R.F. inscribed below it

- 1.1.7. RF shoulder badge on each shoulder in silver colour
- 1.1.8. Three silver colour star on each shoulder, each five pointed.
- 1.1.9. Name plate.

1(B) Winter Working dress.

- 2.1.1 In addition to items prescribed under 1(A), Khaki Angolan shirt with or without Khaki Jersey.

2. Ranger Grade II

2(A) Same as 1(A) except that only two silver colour stars on each shoulder, shall be worn by Ranger Grade II instead of three as provided in Item No (viii) for Ranger Grade I

2(B) Winter Working Dress: In addition to items prescribed under 2(A), Khaki Angolan shirt with or without Khaki Jersey.

3. Forester

3(A) Summer working dress

- 3.1.1 Same as items 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.4, 1.1.5, 1.1.6, 1.1.7 and 1.1.9 of 1(A) In addition to these following shall be worn.
- 3.1.2 Khaki barret cap (Woolen) with badge.
- 3.1.3 One silver colour star on each shoulder, each five pointed

3(B) Winter Working dress

- 3.2.1 In addition to items prescribed under 3(A), Khaki shirt with or without Khaki Jersey.

4. Forest Guard/Asstt Forester.

4(A) Summer Working dress

- 4.1.1 Same as items 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.4, 1.1.5, 1.1.6, 1.1.7 and 1.1.9 of 1(A) In addition to these following shall be worn.
- 4.1.2 Khaki barret cap (Woollen) with badge Chevron on right arm above shirt of Jersey.

4(B) Winter Working dress

- 4.2.1 Same as prescribed under 4(A) with the difference that chevron shall not be worn.

5 Forest Guard

- 5(A)** Summer Working under 4(A) with the difference that chevron shall not be worn.
- 5(B)** Winter Working dress Same as prescribed under 5(A) with or without Khaki Jersey.

6. General Instructions:-

- 6.1 The shirt must have two pockets with flap at chest level on both sides and shoulder strip on each shoulder.
- 6.2 Khaki trousers will be of unfolded bottom with two side pockets and one at back. Trousers at the bottom will not measure less than 15" and more than 18".
- 6.3 Hunter shoes/Jungle boots may normally be used at the time of cross country/Jungle patrol or similar operations.
- 6.4 Whenever full sleeves shirt is worn without Jersey it will be rolled up and half sleeved.
- 6.5 Shirt shall always be inserted into trousers with belt above it.
- 6.6 Name plate always be fixed up above right pocket at chest level and name of the person should be written in white letters on black plate.
- 6.7 Forest Guard, Astt. Forester and Forester shall keep with them a Cane Stick (Lathi) in performing their duties.
- 6.8 Chevrons to be used by Astt. Forester shall have same dimensions as used by Police Head Constable with the difference that Green & Yellow colour should be used in it, in place of Black and Red. It shall be worn on right arm above shirt or jersey.
- 6.9 Sikh personnel will be issued two turbans every year instead of barret cap or Peak cap as the case may be. Colour of turban will be same as that of barret cap.
- 6.10 Woman personnel will be issued one shirt, one pair of trousers and two Salwars, two kurtas, two dupattas every year instead of three shirts and three pairs of trousers to be issued to the male personnel. Colour of Salwar, Kurta and Dupatta will be same as that of shirts and trousers.

SCHEDULE- II

SCALE OF ARTICLES AUTHORIZED TO FORESTER

S.No.	Name of Article	Quantity	Serviceability (Years)
1	Shirts (Terricot)	3	1
2	Boot Sam brown	1 Pair	3
3	Hunter Shoes	1	3
4	Jersey Khaki (Woollen)	1 Pair	3
5	Angola Woolen Shirt Khaki	1	3
6	Belt Sam brown	1	8
7	Shoulder badges RF	2 pairs	5
8	Whistle cords	1	5
9	Stars of India (Service) five pointed	2 pairs	5
10	Barret Cap Khaki (woollen)	2	2
11	Cap badges RF	1	5
12	Woolen Socks	2 Pairs	1
13	Trousers (Terricot)	3	1
14	Khaki Socks (Nylon)	2 Pairs	1
15	Metal polish	1 tin (200 gm.)	1
16	Brown polish & Brush (250 gm. Tin) and brush	1	1
17	Water Bottle	1	5
18	Name Plate	1	5
19	Cane Stick (Lathi)	1	5