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Forest Department's RACP Adalat held

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Today, the RACP Adalat of the Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department was held at the Aranya Bhavan Conference Hall. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of ForestForce, Odisha, Shri Devidutt Biswal, Chairman of the RACP Adalat Committee and Additional Secretary Shri Deben Pradhan, Special Secretary Shri Dharam Hansda, Additional Secretary Mrs. Usharani Das, Senior Administrative Officer Mrs. Sabita Mallick as members of the Adalat Committee and Joint Secretary Dinakrishna Kar as member-convenor of the Committee attended the Adalat.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force Shri Devidutt Biswal said that this RACP Adalat Committee meeting has been convened on the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Odisha and Chief Secretary, Odisha. All retired and working employees of the forest department who are deprived of RACP can apply to this court for redressal of their grievances.

Chairman of the RACP Adalat Committee and Additional Secretary Shri Deben Kumar Pradhan expressed that today is the first meeting of the RACP (Revised Assured Career Progression Scheme) Adalat Committee. The main objective of this meeting is to find out how soon retired government employees and working government employees of Forest dept. can get their due justice at a fast pace without going to the court. They have to fill in the application form provided by the department and attach their supportive documents with it and submit it to the committee and on the basis of that application, the concerned officer will be directed to resolve the complaint and inform them within a month. Due to this, no one deprived of RACP will have to go to the court and the number of cases of the department will also be reduced. Shri Pradhan hoped that they will wait patiently for the next one month and will not have to face the court again in this regard.

It is worth noting that today total 162 applications have been received in the Adalat. The employees of Angul, Baripada, Berhampur, Bhawanipatna and from all the Chief Conservator of Forests (Kendu leaf) circles have joined the RACP Adalat. The Adalat will sit again on February 27 for the remaining circles. The RACP Adalat Committee has given one month time and has directed to resolve the cases immediately.



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