



## REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

### FORESTRY ACT NO. 31 OF 2019

#### Harvesting and Exporting of Sandalwood Logs Order No. of 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Subsection 46(2) and paragraphs 54(2)(l),(j),(k), and (m) of the Forestry Act No. 31 of 2019, I, the Honourable WILLIE DANIEL KALO, Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Fisheries and Biosecurity make the following Order.

#### **1 Period for harvesting and exporting of sandalwood logs**

The harvesting and exporting of Sandalwood logs commences from November 2020 to July 2021.

#### **2 Harvest quota for sandalwood logs**

- (1) The harvesting quota for the sandalwood logs during the period stated under clause 1 is 80 tonnes.
- (2) The licensees who have not reached their license quota under subclause (1) are allowed to harvest the sandalwood.
- (3) The licensees who have reached the licensed quota under subclause (1) are not allowed to harvest the sandalwood.

#### **3 Grades for various sandalwood logs**

The sandalwood logs are to be graded in three categories as follows:

- (a) Grade 1- No defects;
- (b) Grade 2- Up to 10% defect;
- (c) Grade 3- 15 to 50% defect.

#### **4 Prices for various grades of sandalwood logs**

The minimum prices for sandalwood logs are set out as follows:

- (a) 1<sup>st</sup> Grade hardwood- VT4000 per kilogram;
- (b) 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade hardwood- VT3000 per kilogram;
- (c) 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade hardwood- VT2000 per kilogram.

#### **5 Code of Logging Practice**

- (1) All harvesting and processing of sandalwood logs must comply with the requirements of the Vanuatu Code of Logging Practice.
- (2) All harvesting and operation activities must not take place in Conservation Areas or areas that are legally prohibited.

#### **6 Export permit fee**

The export permit fee for exporting sandalwood logs is VT10,000.

#### **7 Offences**

A person who contravenes the provisions of this Order is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of VT100,000.

#### **8 Commencement**

This Order commences on the day on which it is made.

Made at Port Vila this 09 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.



**Honourable WILLIE DANIEL KALO**  
**Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Fisheries and Biosecurity**

