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LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRACY  
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PRIME MINISTER OFFICE

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PRIME MINISTER  
DECREE  
STATING NATIONAL  
FORESTRY RESERVATION OVER THE COUNTRY

- Referring to the decision taken in a meeting where all members of the central party were present on the fifth, sixth; and the seventh of the session iv and v of the Lao People Revolutionary party.

- Referring to the proposal of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.  
During the past, many of the Forests in our country have been destroyed heavily. The destruction has affected the environment, and the rivers. Therefore it has reflected that many rivers have got less water and has created the area where wild animals have live on/and their places of natural restricted. A number of wild animals & species enumerated are face with danger and nearly in disappearing state.

So, in order to manage and protect our natural resources, especially our forests, wild animals and various species to survive continually.

The Prime Minister has decreed:

The main objective of the forest reservation is:

Article 1: To determine the limit of Forestry National reservation in different areas over the whole country AS FOLLOWING:

- 1.1 To preserve the abundance of nature and to protect the environment of such nature in equilibrium/stability and wildness.
- 1.2 To take care the beauty of the natural scene and to use for religious purpose, leisure resort, for studying and researching in sciences

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Decree and Law  
(Forestry)  
(General)

Order Number	Reservation forest Name	Area-Hectares	Location Area-Province	Limit of the Area	
				Longitude	Latitude
1	Poo Kout Kuay	200.000	Vientiane, Bolikhamxay	102° 31'-103° 30'	18° 14'-18° 33'
2	Nam Kading	169.000	Bolikhamxay	100° 31'-101° 00'	20° 57'-21° 33'
3	Xebang Nuan	150.000	Savannakhet, Saravan	105° 30'-106° 30'	15° 30'-16° 01'
4	Xe Pian	240.000	Champassak, Attapeu	105° 55'-106° 30'	14° 02'-14° 45'
5	Nam Puyee	191.200	Sayabury	101° 05'-101° 31'	18° 13'-19° 02'
6	Poo Xiang Thong	120.000	Saravan	105° 05'-105° 45'	15° 20'-15° 55'
7	Poo Xang He	109.900	Savannakhet	105° 09'-106° 06'	16° 42'-17° 04'
8	Nam Ha	69.000	Luang Nam Tha	101° 08'-101° 28'	20° 33'-20° 53'
9	Nakay, Nam Theun	353.200	Khammouane	104° 50'-105° 10'	17° 35'-18° 15'
10	Upper Part of Nam Tun	222.000	Phongsaly	102° 00'-102° 35'	21° 52'-21° 15'
11	Poo Ley	150.000	Houaphanh	103° 02'-103° 32'	19° 50'-20° 04'
12	Nam Et	170.000	Houaphanh	103° 15'-103° 75'	20° 03'-20° 50'
13	Nam Sum	70.000	Houaphanh	104° 18'-104° 49'	20° 02'-20° 15'
14	Poo Hin Poon	150.000	Khammouane	104° 25'-104° 10'	17° 27'-18° 05'
15	Dong Hua Sout	110.000	Champassak	105° 55'-106° 17'	14° 50'-15° 15'
16	Dong Em Parng	200.000	Attapeu	107° 08'-107° 38'	14° 50'-15° 11'
17	Poo Pak Neung	70.000	Kampeng Vientiane	102° 12'-102° 27'	18° 01'-18° 25'
18	Hin Nam Noe	82.000	Khammouane	105° 43'-106° 09'	17° 13'-17° 40'

- The details of the forest reservation are shown in the map attached.
- The reservation area might be extended some more accordingly to further decision/decrees in the future. The delimitation of the concerned extension would be subjected to the decision and delimitation apart from the present one.

Article 2: Various forest reservations previously approved are still recognized by the present as they were in force in the past.

Article 3: The main objective of the forest reservation is:

- 3.1 To protect and to preserve natural resources as forest, wild animals, the spring of water as to keep their existence for ever.
- 3.2 To reserve the abundance of nature and to protect the environment of such nature in equilibrium/stability and vividness.
- 3.3 To take care the beauty of the natural scene and to use it for relaxing purpose, leisure resort, and also for studying and researching in sciences.

Article 4: Measurement and ban in the area of the forest reservation.

- 4.1 It is forbidden to cut down/take out any wood except that performance is done for the researching field of science but such action is to be first authorized by the government of Lao PDR.
- 4.2 It is forbidden to collect products from such area preserved and to chase or hunt or fish the fish/species and animal within the area protected as per detailed plan set in the action to be taken in the area is authorized for each time strictly from the Ministry of Agriculture through the proposal of the Forestry Authority who is competent of the area of forest in reservation.
- 4.3 It is also banned to survey, excavate mine or to build up water reservoir, other constructions including roads if they are not allowed by government of Lao PDR first.
- 4.4 It is equally banned to hold any ownership of land in the area for resettlement of houses and to extent new field of rice of "HEI" (where people like to devast the flank of the mountain then plant their crop).
- 4.5 It is forbidden to exploit or unearth or shift away any old monument/or shrine marking historical memory or cultural one from the area.
- 4.6 It is not allowed to use an explosive substance to blow up, neither, the chemical or any poison or dirty waste to throw on the area of forest in reservation that can cause deathfulness to wood, animals or brook, lakes or rivers.
- 4.7 Burn on forest by using fire or devastation of forest for crop plantation in the area of forest reservation as showing in map is trictly forbidden.

Article 5: Collective body or individual who fails to observe the present decree will be warned/premonished, or to be fined or confiscated all stolen article of tools used to exploit what is banned in the area or the case may be sent to the court for reason that the concerned is being destroying or stealing or plundering the national wealth.

Article 6:

The Ministry of Agriculture and forestry will be in charge of elaborating/preparing the rules and regulations properly and goes through the details pertaining the forest reservation in collaboration with the provincial authority in order to conduct, To execute and to prepare the appropriate plan by zones of reservation, to allocate budget and to take action vigorously and effectively at each zone as said.

Article 7:

All ministries, the institutions of the same level, provinces, various departments all over the country have to collaborate and cooperate with the ministry of agriculture and forestry to perform and to publish the present to all public servants/employees of government at any departments or services to all people for them to know and to share responsibilities in function to protect the reservation forest for its existing conditions forever.

Article 8:

The present decree is in force after the date of signature and if there are any orders, rules and regulations and permissions previously made up, are contrary to the present, those are also to be annulled by the present decree.

Vientiane, 29 October 1993

The Prime Minister

SIGNED & SEALED

Khamtay SIPANDORN