



## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2018/031

Geneva, 26 March 2018

CONCERNING:

INDIA

Ban on trade in wild fauna and flora, except certain  
specimens of *Dalbergia latifolia* and *Dalbergia sissoo*

1. The Management Authority of India has informed the Secretariat that the Government of India has banned the export for commercial purposes of all wild-taken specimens of species included in Appendices I, II and III, subject to paragraph 2 below.
2. India permits the export of cultivated varieties of plant species included in Appendices I and II and has indicated that all products, other than the wood and wood products in the form of logs, timber, stumps, roots, bark, chips, powder, flakes, dust and charcoal, produced from wild sourced (W) *Dalbergia sissoo* and *Dalbergia latifolia* and authorized for export by a CITES Comparable Certificate issued by the competent authorities of India are exempted from the general ban. Such *Dalbergia sissoo* and *Dalbergia latifolia* specimens are harvested legally as per the regional and national laws of India and as per the prescribed management (working) plans, which are based on silvicultural principles and all are covered under Legal Procurement Certificate; all the material are sold from the Government timber depots through auction or are legally procured and can be exported legally.
3. Starting on the date of this Notification, all the CITES Comparable Certificates will be issued with a footnote, stating that the wild (W) source specimens are covered under Legal Procurement Certificate as per regional and national laws in India.
4. Parties are urged to inform the Indian Management Authority and the Secretariat of any attempted violations.
5. This Notification replaces Notification to the Parties No. 1999/39 of 31 May 1999.