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## THE FORESTS ORDINANCE

(CAP. 389)

## ORDER

Made under section 30

# THE FORESTS (PROHIBITION OF HARVESTING IN CATCHMENT FORESTS), ORDER 1995

1. These Order may be cited as the Forests Order, 1995 (prohibiting Short title the harvesting of timber of forest produce from areas of catchment or watershed value), and shall come into force on the 1st day of January, ment-1995.

### Forests (Prohibition of Harvesting in Catchment Forests)

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Interpretation 2. The expressions used in this Order shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meanings as defined below them in section 2 of the Forest Ordinance (here in after referred to as "The Ordinance Cap. 389").

The Order

3. It is hereby prohibited to cut or remove any tree or forest produce from any area of catchment or of watershed value by any person or persons, institution or parastatals for any use except where such act is done for purposes of forest management of catchment or watershed value, spelt out in the Schedule below.

The. Offence 4. Any person who has in his possession of any timber or tree presumed to be illegally obtained from any Catchment Forest or an area of watershed value shall be guilty of on offence against this order and all the timber shall be confiscated and shall be the property of the Government.

The penalty

5. Any person or persons, who contravenes the provisions of this order shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to such penalty as prescribed under S.26 of the Ordinance and any materials found with him/hes while committing the offence shall be confiscated by the Ordinance.

#### **SCHEDULE**

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- 1. All areas which form the source of water as springs, streams and rivers.
- 2. All areas which are within 20 metres radius of springs.
- 3. All areas which are within 20 metres from both sides of the streams.
- 4. All areas which are within 30 metres from both sides of the river banks.
- 5. All areas which are within 50 metres from both sides of the major river banks.

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In this Order Catchment Forests for Areas of Watershed value means all forested land which form the sources of springs, stream and river.

Dar es Salaam, 3rd August, 1995 JUMA HAMAD OMAR, Minister for Tourism, Natural Resources and Environment