

**(PFMA Template)**

**Participatory Forest Management Agreement made**

**Between**

**(Name) Forest User Group**

**And**

**(Name) Zone Department of Agriculture, (Name) Woreda  
Department of Agriculture,**

**Advisory support from the  
FARM Africa / SOS Sahel Participatory Forest Management  
Programme.**

**(Project Name)**

**Final Draft  
September 2003  
(Name of place)**

## **1. Introduction**

(Background, rationale, steps followed) maximum two paragraphs

## **Article 1. Definitions**

(Definitions of important terminologies) maximum one page

## **Article 2. Objectives of the Agreement**

(Statement of objective of the agreement)

## **Article 3. Location and Condition of the forest**

(Summary about the location and condition of the forest from the plan) maximum about half page

## **Article 4. Description of agreeing parties**

### **4.1 Leaser -DOA -**

(Brief descriptions of the leaser /government representative/ and its right to get into agreement). Just a few lines

### **4.2 Lease holder - Forest User Group (FUG)**

(Brief descriptions of the Forest user groups/ community institution/ representing the community, number of community members) Just a few lines

## **Article 5. Benefits of the agreeing parties**

(Benefit of the two agreeing parties getting out of this agreement) Just a few lines

## **Article 6. Rights and Responsibilities of the Agreeing Parties**

(Brief descriptions that the agreement is meant to define Rights and Responsibilities of the agreeing parties and that both parties are subject to law.

### **Article 6.1 Rights and Responsibilities of the Forest User groups**

#### **6.1.1. Rights of the Forest User groups**

(Brief descriptions of forest management rights of the forest user groups, that they are granted use right, have the right to ban others from using, Manage and use forest according to plan etc..)

#### **6.1.2 Responsibilities of the FUG**

(Brief descriptions of forest management responsibilities of the FUG, Protection responsibilities etc...)

### **6.2 Rights and Responsibilities of the DOA**

#### **6.2.1 Rights of DOA**

(Brief descriptions of the rights of DOA on the forest management, monitoring rights, maintain ownership right etc..) Few bullet points

#### **6.2.2 Responsibilities of DOA**

(Brief Description of the Responsibilities of DOA on the implementation of the forest management plan, responsibility to provide overall support to communities, etc...) Few bullets points

## **Article 7. Condition, Legality and Duration of the Agreement**

(Brief description about the duration of the agreement, that it will not be terminated unless the forest is destroyed due to manmade damage, conditions for terminating the agreement, conditions of revisions, etc..) Few paragraphs.

**Leaser- Zonal DOA**

**Leaseholder- FUG**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_

Resp/inFUG \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Witnesses**

**1. Wereda Administartion**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Wereda DOA**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Kebele Administration**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_