

## **VACANT AREAS FOR ALLOCATION**



The Guyana Forestry Commission (GFC) advises the general public that vacant areas for allocation as State Forest Authorisations (SFAs- Small Concessions inclusive of Community Forest Management Agreements), are available.

All relevant information on these vacant areas is available at the GFC Head Office and GFC Forest Stations countrywide.

Application forms can be downloaded from the GFC website at www.forestry.gov.gy; the deadline for submission is Friday, June 17 2022 at 2.00 pm.

Applicants making multiple applications must note the relevant application fees:

- 1<sup>st</sup> application: GY \$ 10,500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> application: GY \$ 21,500
- Each subsequent application, thereafter: GY \$ 15,000

Please take careful note of the following also:

- It is the applicant(s) responsibility to verify that the general timber stocking of the area(s) applied for, is acceptable to them.
- Any applicant who is indebted to the GFC at the date of applying will be disqualified from consideration; there will be no refund of application fees paid.
- 3. Any applicant who is already the holder of a Small Concession and whose average production over the life of that concession is below 50 %, shall not be considered for any new application(s).
- 4. Any applicant who is a member of a Community Forestry Association/Group that has been previously awarded a Small Concession(s), must firstly relinquish membership in the Association/Group before he/she can be considered for a Small Concession.
- An applicant must attain a minimum score of 60 % in order to be considered 5. for the award of a Small Concession.
- Each application for a Small Concession must be accompanied by a separate 6. assets' list unless the area applied for is contiguous to an already awarded Small Concession.
- Additionally, each asset must be fully functional and be accompanied with the relevant documents: registration, agreement of sale and purchase, lease agreements etc.
- 8. The GFC shall review each application for completeness, consistent with the approved GFC pre-assessment guidelines.
- In addition to the other requirements, GFC will not consider any application 9. that is not in keeping with 2, 9 above.
- 10. Applicants with access to a large equipment/machinery asset base are encouraged to apply for Large Concessions since they are more suited for that category of operation.

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