

**Memorandum Circular  
No. 18  
September 4, 1990**

**SUBJECT: Supplementary Guidelines on the  
Selection of Species to be Planted Inside  
Contract Reforestation Areas for  
Protection Purposes**

In addition to the provisions of Section 2 of DENR Memorandum Circular No. 11 dated 11 October 1988, prescribing the factors to be considered in the selection of species to be planted inside areas contracted for reforestation, and Section 4 of DENR Memorandum Circular No. 04-90 which prescribes the minimum density for contract reforestation the following supplementary guidelines are hereby issued for the guidance and compliance of all concerned:

- (1) As provided for in DENR Memorandum Circular No. 04-90, a minimum density of 1,600 trees per hectare shall be observed in all contract reforestation areas, specifically in areas reforested for protection purposes;
- (2) The species to be planted shall **predominantly** be forest tree species, e.g. dipterocarps, narra, mahogany, etc.; and indigenous species which are available in and suitable to the area. Whenever possible, such species shall be preferred over exotic species.
- (3) Fruit trees may be planted, provided that the total area shall not exceed 20% of the total project area; PROVIDED further, that these fruit trees shall be planted in such a manner that one block shall not cover more than one hectare.

This Circular takes effect immediately.

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Secretary