

Government of Kerala
Agriculture (Forest) Department

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Memorandum

Sub:- Forests- Forest contracts- agreement forms-finalisation.

Ref:- From the Chief Conservator of forests letter No. C2- 6386/58 dated 28-6-62.

With reference to the letter cited the following suggestions are made.

1. **Supply Contracts:** Even in the present contracts (clause3) the fine amount for an unfilled tree is Rs.10/- No reduction seems necessary considering that fact that this amount was fixed long ago when the money value was much higher. Regarding felled but undelivered trees the previous agreement provides for 1) recovery of fine at 1 anna per Cft for registered logs undelivered and (2) recovery at average sale rate in respect of those undelivered logs which were rendered useless. This distinction between registered logs not delivered but which they are sound and those which are rendered useless while in the custody of the contractor seems to be necessary. In the former case a fine of Rs. 25/- per log may be levied if Rs.50/- is considered a bit high. The rate of Rs.10/- suggested by the chief conservator of forests is too low. In the latter case the full value of the timber at schedule rates over and above the fine has to be realized.

Condition 13: Extension without limit cannot be agreed to and the period may be fixed. In the amendments proposed by the Chief conservator of forests the period is fixed as one, three and six months for divisional Forest Officer, Conservator of forests respectively while agreeing to this suggestion the amount of fine will have to be fixed as 10 no for every cit and Rs. 1/- for every ton of 81cft of firewood.

Tender forms (P.149 of Appendices)

Condition 19: The chief conservator of forests has not put up specific proposals. The existing practice may therefore continue.

Taungya lease: The words "Lessee" may be changed to "Licensee"

The Chief conservator of forests is requested to examine the above suggestions and to forward a detailed report in the matter.

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To

The Chief Conservator of forests.