

Copy of government Memorandum No. Fa4-71284/60/Ad dated 19.5.1961 Agriculture Department to the Chief Conservator etc.

Forest Department- Civil Works- Buildings – construction of –

1. G.O. Ms.7.3/Agri. dt. 8.9.1960
2. Govt. Memorandum No.Fa1-63045/60-1/AD dt. 15.10.1960
3. From the Chief Conservator of Forests,
Letter No. D2-36852/60/dt. 10.11.1960, 21-1260,11-1-1961 and 4.2.1961.

In G.O. Ms. 73.8Agri. dated 8-9-1960 enhanced powers were delegated to the officers of the Forest Department. In Government memorandum No. FA1-63045/60-1/AD dated 15-10-1960 Government ordered that in the matter of construction of residential quarters for Government servants, the capital cost should be limited in such a way as to get at least 3% of the cost towards the annual rent of the building from the occupant. The Chief Conservator of Forests was also requested therein to see that in the matter of construction of residential quarters for any subordinate in his Department prior Government sanction is obtained as in the case of every other Head of Department, till general orders regarding the limitation of capital cost on residential quarters are finally issued by Government.

2. The Chief Conservator of Forests has forwarded along with his letter *****10-11 1960 cited above, a list of residential buildings that are to be and*****being constructed during 1960-61 in his Department and has stated that in respected *****those buildings except item 40, type designs approved by the public works Department are available with the Department and that several quarters have been constructed already during the second Five Year Plan Period. The Chief Conservator of Forests has also reported, to Government that if the above rule regarding the capital cost of the residential quarters is prescribed, the subordinates drawing the same pay and paying the same rent will have to be provided with much less accommodation and that it will be unfair and unjustifiable especially in respect of persons with lower scales of pay. The Chief Conservator of Forests has therefore requested government to reconsider the orders and accord sanction for continuing the construction works already arranged this year as it would be practically impossible to revise the estimates and designs without affecting the progress of works.

3. Government considers that the section of the Chief Conservator of Forests in having sanctioned or undertaken the works which he is not competent to sanction is highly irregular. However sanction is accorded to complete the works which are in an advance state of progress. In the case of others, the Chief Conservator of Forests will forward to Government revised estimates for construction of quarters for various grades as shown below:-

	<u>Grade in Rs.</u>	<u>Plinth area in so. Rt.</u>	<u>Cost in Rs.</u>
1.	25—35 30—40 35—45	400 to 500	3,200 to 4,000
2.	40-120 40-120	600	4,800
3.	80-180	800	6,400
4.	50-150	712	5,500
5.	125-225 150-250	900 to 1000	7,000 to 8,000

However an increase of 15% in the High Ranges and remote forest areas is allowed provided such enhancement is admitted for the construction of quarters carried out by the public Works Department in those areas. In all other cases the Principle already enunciated by government should be strictly followed and the plan and estimate should be submitted to Government sanction sufficiently early. The work should be started only after approval of the proposal by Government. The cost worked out in the above table will be inclusive of the cost of water supply, sanitary and electrical installations also.

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To

The Chief Conservator of Forests.

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Utilization Officer, Asst. Conservators, Wild Life Preservation Officer, Tram way Engineer,
Hydel Divl. Forest Officer for information and attention.

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All Further works should be in accordance with the G.O.

Forwarded By Order,