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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Abstract

Forests - Auction sale of residual tree growth - Remittance of value - Enhancement of penal interest - orders issued.

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FOREST ENVIRONMENT AND WILD LIFE(B) DEPARTMENT
G.O.MS.54/86/FE & WLD Dated, Trivandrum, 18th June 1986

Read:- Correspondence relating with file No.C1-9751/80 dated 7-1-86 of the Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests.

ORDER

In the auction sale notice in respect of residual tree growth in sale coupe system there is provision for granting extension of time by the departmental officers. But in many cases, extension of time beyond the period is allowed by the departmental officers, subject to ratification by Government. Directions were issued by Government to the Chief Conservator of Forests to evolve new guidelines to curb these tendencies. The Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter read above, has brought to the notice of Government that there are cases where sanctions were accorded in anticipation of Government sanction, since the departmental officers are not delegated with powers to cope up with the situation, for example for the remittance of balance value, security, deposit and execution of agreement of sale coupes for which the Chief Conservator of Forests is not empowered to grant any extension. The Chief Conservator of Forests has therefore, requested Government to delegate him with the following powers:-

a) In case the bidder failed to remit the balance 1/3 value, Sales Tax and security within the extension period of 30 days granted by the Conservator of Forests, the Chief Conservator of Forests may at his discretion grant further extension up to 30 days with penal interest at 30% per annum provided the above period falls within the contract period.

b) In case the bidder failed to remit the balance 2/3 value within the extension period of 30 days granted by the Conservator of Forests at 24% interest the Chief Conservator of Forests may at his direction grant further extension of 30 days with penal interest at 30% per annum provided the above period falls within the contract period.

2. Government have examined the matter in detail and they are pleased to delegate the following powers to the Chief Conservator of Forests with regard to extension of period for remittance of value for the forest produce (residual tree growth) auctioned.

i) In case the bidder failed to remit the balance 1/3 value, Sales Tax and security within the extension period of 30 days granted by the Conservator of Forests, the Chief Conservator of Forests may at his discretion grant further extension upto 30 days with penal interest at 30% per annum provided the above period falls within the contract period.

ii) In case the bidder failed to remit the balance 2/3 value within the extension period of 30 days granted by the Conservator of Forests at 24% interest the Chief Conservator of Forests may at his discretion grant further extension upto 30 days with penal interest at 30% per annum provided the above period falls within the contract period.

By Order of the Governor
K. PARAMESWARAN NAIR,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests.
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Endt. on C1-9751/80(K.Dis)

Chief Conservator's Office,
Trivandrum, dated, 1-7-1986.

Copy to all Conservator of Forests and Divisional Forest Officers.
They are requested to include the above conditions in
all future notifications ~~in respect of the above~~.

Copy to CA s to all Chief Conservator of Forests.
Copy to all branch Officers and Section heads.
Copy to C2, C3, C4 and C5 Sections.
Copy to Stock file and E7 Section.

K. Parameswaran Nair
8/7/86
for Chief Conservator of Forests,

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