

Copy of Circular No.17/62(C6-14211/62 dated 12/19-7-1962) from the Chief Conservator of Forests, to the All Conservators Divl. Forest Officers Liaison Officer for information and strict attention.

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In implementing certain orders regarding fixing up valuation for sale coupes it was observed that several omissions were made and in some cases valuation had to be revised after the sale was conducted. This is highly irregular and this necessitated the issue of this office Circular No.13/61 dated 16-5-1962 directing that the Conservators also will be held responsible for such omissions and for the correctness of the valuation. On this the Conservator of Forests Development circle raised some pertinent objections that in the absence of data regarding working charges, average sale rates, and the enumeration lists of the tree growth, the Divl. Forest Officer alone have to be made responsible for the correctness of the valuation as the Conservator of Forests cannot possibly do this. The Chief Conservator of Forests agrees with the views of the Conservator of Forests. The following instructions are therefore issued for future guidance.

2. Hereafter the Divl. Forest Officers will arrange to send the following certificates also when they submit the fair price statements to the Conservators:-

- i) A certificate to the effect that the fair price statement has been prepared in accordance with the circular orders prescribed for the same.
- ii) Hollow trees other than teak and Rosewood have been treated as firewood and not as timber.
- iii) The average sale prices in Depots have been taken into consideration for calculation of the fair price.

2. However the Conservators are also enjoined to make a close security before the sale and satisfy themselves that the valuation fixed is fair. In instances where it is seen that the price fetched in auction is not satisfactory the Conservators will inspect the coupe before confirmation and satisfy themselves that the price obtained is fair.

Sd/- Chief Conservator of Forests.

Copy to Superintendent, C1, C2, and C3 sections.

Endorsement on CG-12473/82 dated 23-7-1962.

Copy to Superintendent sections KT, ML, TR, Circular file and Stock file.

For Conservator of Forests.

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