

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest Department – Departmental Boats at Thekkady – Maintenance and repairs –
Procedure to be followed by the department Orders issued.

AGRICULTURE (FOREST MISC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No.1077/81/Forest.

Dated, Trivandrum, 23-4-1981.

Read: Letter No.SP1-53183/80 dated 21-8-1980 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

ORDER

At present there are no specific procedures for the repairs and maintenance of departmental boats of the Forest Department in Thekkady Lake. The Chief Conservator of Forests in the letter read above has suggested the following procedure to be adopted by the Forest Department for the maintenance and repairs of Forest Department Boats:

1.Hauling/Launching Equipments

Purchase of the following items is urgently necessary for the safe hauling for repairs and launching of the boats after repairs.

SL. No.	Name	Species	Length Metres	Width C.M.	Thick ness	Nos.	Probable value Rs.
1.	Balloos	Anjily	9.00	30	20	2	4,000
2.	Wooden Planks	-do-	4.5	30	8	6	3,000
3.	Rollers	Maruthy	2.5	20 CM		6	1,000
				Diametre			
4.	Sawn pieces	Hardwood	0.75	30	15	30	2,000
5.	Two inch Coir ropes (best quality)		50.00				1,000
			Metres				
6.	Screw Jack (10 tonnes) Capacity.					1	1,000
7.	Pully block (double)					1	500
8.	Pully block (Triple)					1	750
9.	Winch 5 tonne capacity (Manly operated with ¾" wire ropes 100 metres.					1	5,000

							Total
							18,250
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The total cost of the purchase comes to Rs.18,250/- The Field Director, Project Tiger has initiated action for the purchase of these items in anticipation of Government sanction.

II. Body repairs to Boats:

For execution of the body repair works of the Departmental boats for a period one year, a contract may be fixed with the lowest tender after inviting tenders. As and when repairs become necessary an estimate will be prepared both for the works and spare parts required for the body as convinced by Wild Life Preservation Officer and it can be sanctioned by the Forest Department for which necessary powers may be delegated to the Department. Regarding sanction of estimate for repairs etc. on receipt of estimate sanction, the spare parts have to be purchased by the Wild Life Preservation Officer by inviting repair works will be got executed by the Contractor.

In anticipation of Government sanction, the Chief Conservator of Forests has directed the Field Director to invite tenders for the works as suggested above.

III. Mechanical repairs of Boat:

When repairs are found necessary for the engines, estimate for the cost of repairs including the list of spare parts, will be prepared in consultation with the reliable mechanics of authorized dealers in case of major repairs involving labor charges above Rs.500/- at a time. The Estimate will be forwarded to the Assistant Executive Engineer, Regional Engineering Workshop, Kollakadavu for verification and issue of Certificate of approval of the items.

2. Government after examining the question in detail, are pleased to accept the suggestions of the Chief Conservator of Forests for the maintenance and repairs of boats at Thekkady Lake with the following modifications:

- a) For execution of the body repairs works of the Departmental boats, a running contract for a period of two years will be fixed, as is being followed in the Water Transport department.
- b) In the case of major repairs, the Chief Conservator of Forests will also consult the Director/An Official competent in the field of the State Water Transport Department for the verification of the repairs needed/the spare parts to be purchased.
- c) In the case of mechanical repairs, the Department will enter into a running contract with the suppliers of machines or firms of repute as is being done in the case of equipments of the health Services Department. Even here small jobs will be got done by the departmental Officers engaging the local talents, without any verification to avoid delay.
- d) The spare parts required for maintenance and repairs of the boats will be purchased by observing S.P. Rules, after obtaining the essentiality certificate and approval of estimate by the Executive/Assistant Executive Engineer of the Regional Engineering Workshop, in the case of major and minor repairs.
- e) The procedure followed by the State Water Transport Department will be adopted for body building works.

- f) The Schedule of rates approved by the Kerala State Water Transport Department for labour charges for body repairs will be fixed for various items of body repairs of boats at Thekkady. Since the procedure in the State Water Transport Department is to be followed here also, no separate tenders or fixation of schedule of rates is necessary.
- g) The Wild Life Preservation Officer is authorized to incur an expenditure up to Rs.500/- towards labour charges for minor repairs without any verification certificate.

3. Government also ratify the following;

- i) The action of the Field Director, Project Tiger in having initiated action for the purchase of the items mentioned in Para 1 item (1) above
- ii) The action of the Chief Conservator of Forests in having directed in Field Director to invite tenders for the works as stated in Para 1 item (ii) above.

‘By Order of the Governor’

K.V. Vidyadharan,
Special Secretary to Government.

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on SP1-33183/80 (K. Dis) dt. 30-4-1981.

Copy forwarded to Field Director, Project Tiger, Kottayam, Wild Life, Preservation Officer, Thekkady, Asst., Wild Life Preservation Officer, Thekkady, Asst. Conservator of Forests (Wild Life) Neyyar, All Conservator of Forests, Divisional Forest Officers for information and attention.

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Sd/-
For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Approved for issue,

Superintendent.

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