

Copy of Letter No.60897-F3/71/AD Dated 29-05-1972 from the Secretary to Government, Agriculture (Forest) Department, Trivandrum to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

Sub:- Forest – Trivandrum Division – Kulathupuzha Range – Auction sale of teak poles on 17-09-71 – Condemnation of delay in publication – Orders issued

Ref:- 1. Your letter No.C4-49182/71 dated 17.12.1971
2. G.O.Rt 1282/72/AD dated 30-05-1972

I am directed to invite your attention to the reference cited and to inform you as follows.

It is stated that one of the papers published the notification on 17-09-71 only ie., on the date of auction itself. The belated publication of the notification would have affected the sale adversely in the sense that had the notification been published earlier, more bidders would have participated in the auction. In spite of the explanation of the Departmental Officers that the price fetched in the auction is reasonable and better price is doubtful if a reauction is tried the fact remains undisputed, that adequate publicity as per rules was not given to the auction. It is a serious irregularity on the part of the Officer concerned.

As the sale was conducted as early as on 17-09-1971. Government have agreed to condone the delay in publicity.

Government direct that the irregularity should be pointed out to the officer concerned and that he may be warned against recurrence of such serious irregularities in future. The other offices of the Department may also be informed of this and they may be given necessary instructions to avoid such instances.

Yours faithfully,

K.K.Gopalan,
Under Secretary.

Endt. No.C4.49182/71.

Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests,
Trivandrum, Dated 15-06-1972.

Copy to Conservator of Forests, Quilon/Trichur/Kozhikode/Perumbavoor, for
information and attention.

Sd/-

For Chief Conservator of Forests

Endt. On A2.12097/72 L.Dis. dated 27-06-1972

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For Conservator of Forests