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Office of the Chief Conservator  
of Forests, Bivandrum,  
dated 28-9-66

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It has come to the notice of this office that the subordinate officers do not take suitable action, as envisaged in tender notifications, against Firms who back out from their offer when their tenders are accepted and orders placed for urgent supply of the articles. Though the Department is at liberty to proceed against the tendered firms in such instances, such a course of action is not seen resorted to by the officers and the firms are let free without making good the loss sustained by Government.

2. Very recently the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Grassland Afforestation Division invited quotations for the supply of about 250 tons of N.P.K. mixture the offer of M/s. FACT was accepted by Government and orders communicated. But when the Asst. Conservator of Forests placed orders for the supply of the fertilizer the Firm informed the Asst. Conservator of Forests that they were not in a position to make the supply at the rates originally tendered, as the cost of the ingredients required for the N.P.K. mixture has considerably increased subsequently. The firm has therefore demanded a higher rate for the supply of the mixture. As per the terms of the tender notice the Firm is bound to supply the manure at the tendered rate. It has now been pointed out by Government that in cases of this type, the procedure ~~to be followed~~ to be followed is that the firm should be served with a notice stating that the department would purchase the manure from any other source and that the Firm would be liable to pay the loss to Government on that account. If that were done, the Department could have recovered the additional expenditure from the FACT.

3. In the above circumstances the subordinate offices are hereby directed to strictly adhere to the conditions of the tender notice and safeguard against any loss which may incur to Government due to the failure of the officers in taking prompt action.

Sd/- For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on R.16321/66 dated -10-1966

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Conservator's Office,  
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For Conservator of Forests.

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