

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

ABSTRACT

Forests – Auction sales – Production of Solvancy Certificates – orders – Revised orders – issued.

Agriculture & Rural Development Department
(Agriculture-Forest)

G.O.MS.660/65/AD.

Dated 20-11-1965

Read:- 1. G.O.MS.469/63/Agri. dated 10-5-1963.

2. Letter No.C1-21729/63 dated 29-8-1964 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

ORDER

Government in the G.O. first cited have ordered that in the case of all sales by auction which do not contemplate prepayment (as a condition precedent), for the sale contract to become absolute and effective the production of solvancy certificates from the Tahsildar before the execution of the agreement will be stipulated in the sale notice and that in the case of highest bids of Rs.3000/- or less, the purchaser will be required to pay the full amount in cash immediately after the close of the sale in which case no solvancy certificate need be insisted on.

2. The Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter cited has communicated to Government the following decisions arrived at a conference held in his office with the Conservators of Forests to discuss the practical difficulties in the implementation of the above Government order and has requested Government to approve the same.

(i) Sale of coupes: In the case of sales of coupes, the bidders are required to remit 1/10 of the sale value as security and the removals are allowed only to the extent of 50% before the full value is remitted (i.e. when 2/3 value is remitted, removals to the extent of 1/3 value are only allowed). As this is adequate safeguard, insistence on solvancy certificate does not seem necessary in the case of coupe sales.

(ii) Sale of Depots: The insistence on solvancy certificate will reduce the number of bidders and there will not be sufficient computation. Further, the Department is allowing removals only after the value is remitted and in the case of part removals also the amount remitted towards the 1/3 amount is kept as security and is given set off only towards the last consignment. So in this case also there appears to be no necessity to insist on the solvancy certificate. But it is suggested that the maximum amount towards 1/3 amount may be enhanced to Rs.10,000/- against the existing amount of Rs.3,500/-.

(iii) Sale of bamboo coupes, Rattan coupes, Minor Forest Produce:

Full amount may be realised before permitting entry into the coupe or area as the case may be.

(iv) Other Minor Sales such as thondy timber and other articles etc.

The full bid amount may be realised on the date of auction itself.

Full amount may be realised on the date of auction itself for sales of Rs.3000/- and less as ordered in the Government order which will be applicable to "Depot sales also".

3. After a careful examination of the case, Government accept the above proposal and order accordingly. The G.O. first cited will stand modified to the above extent.

By order of the Governor,

M.K. Bhaskaran, Assistant Secretary.

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests

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Endt. on R.Dis.(C1) 21729/63 dated 25-11/18-12-1965.

Communicated to all the Conservators, Divisional Forest Officers, Wild Life Preservation Officer, Forest Utilisation Officer, Senior Superintendent and all contract sections and all section Superintendents, PCs and F.A. and Stock file.

Chief Conservator's Office,
Trivandrum.

Sd/-
For Chief Conservator of Forests.

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Endt. on F.Dis.(ML) 23502/65 dated 30-12-1965.

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For Conservator of Forests

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