

Proceedings of the  
Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, Trichur.

Sub:- Extraction of timber – coupe No.VIII of Chandanthode selection felling series – Sholayar Range –  
Tenders – acceptance of.

Read:- 1. Letter No.CC1-5706/73 dated 14-7-73 of the Divl. Forest Officer, Chalakudy.

2. This office even No.dated 31-7-1973.

3. Letter No.CC1-5706/73 dated 27-8-1973 of the Divl. Forest Officer, Chalakudy.

Order on CH.4063/73 dated 3-9-1973

Tenders for extraction of timber from coupe VIII is Chandanthode Felling Series in Sholayar Range and delivery of the same at Chalakudy depot were invited by the Divl. Forest Officer, Chalakudy fixing the last date for receipt of tenders as 3 pm on 6-7-73. The tender notification was published in Kerala Government Gazette dated 19-6-73 pages 303 and 304 of Forest sheet as well as in three Vernacular dailies viz. Malayala Manorama dated 28-6-73 Mathrubhoomi (Kozhikode) dated 28-6-73 and Mathrubhoomi (Cochin) dated 29-6-73. Altogether forty persons are reported to have purchased tender forms. But only 35 persons presented the tenders.

The tenders received are tabulated below:

| Sl. No. | Name of tenderer         | Rate quoted per cu.m of timber |
|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.      | Shri. V.M. Shamsudheen   | Rs.147/-                       |
| 2.      | “ Hajee P. Kochumohammed | Rs.146/-                       |
| 3.      | “ E.K. Abdulkadar        | Rs.145/-                       |
| 4.      | “ A.A. Peous             | Rs.140/-                       |
| 5.      | “ M.G. Ouseph            | Rs.138/-                       |
| 6.      | “ N. Hameed Kunju        | Rs.130/-                       |
| 7.      | “ C.M.Abdul Azeez        | Rs.125/-                       |
| 8.      | “ K.M. Ibrahimkutty      | Rs.125/-                       |
| 9.      | “ K.P. Balakrishna Menon | Rs.115/-                       |
| 10.     | “ Varghese Thalyian      | Rs.115/-                       |
| 11.     | “ VA Devassy             | Rs.112/-                       |
| 12.     | “ K.M. Muhammed          | Rs.111/-                       |
| 13.     | “ N.S. Menon             | Rs.110.40/-                    |
| 14.     | “ K.A. Antony            | Rs.110/-                       |
| 15.     | “ A.K. Chandran          | Rs.110/-                       |
| 16.     | “ Joseph Abraham         | Rs.110/-                       |
| 17.     | “ T.J, George            | Rs.109.50                      |
| 18.     | “ T.U. Kuruvilla         | Rs.109/-                       |
| 19.     | “ N.C. Menon             | Rs.100/-                       |
| 20.     | “ K.C. Jose              | Rs.107/-                       |
| 21.     | “ C.F. Enphel            | Rs.106/-                       |
| 22.     | “ M.K. Ramanan           | Rs.105/-                       |
| 23.     | “ P.C. Kurian            | Rs.105/-                       |
| 24.     | “ M.K. Anthony           | Rs.103.75                      |
| 25.     | “ T.A. Aliyar Kunju      | Rs.103/-                       |

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| 26. | “ | A.P. Poullose      | Rs.99/-    |
| 27. | “ | M.K. Muhammed      | Rs.99      |
| 28. | “ | K.S. Kunju Makkar  | Rs.99/-    |
| 29. | “ | AP Joseph          | Rs.97.30   |
| 30. | “ | A.C. Joseph        | Rs.95/-    |
| 31  | “ | H.H. Abdul Rahiman | Rs.94.90/- |
| 32  | “ | K.S. Muhammed Ali  | Rs.93.40   |
| 33  | “ | M.L. Jose          | Rs.87/-    |
| 34  | “ | P.T. Baby          | Rs.84.43/- |
| 35  | “ | Thomas Stephen     | Rs.84.35/- |

It can be seen from the above that the tender of Sri. Thomas Stephen (item No.35) quoting Ra.34.35 per cum. of timber is the lowest against the departmental rate of Rs.112.81. The lowest offer far below the departmental standard rate and advantageous to Government. It is also reported that there was adequate publicity for the tender and keen competition among the tenderers. As such the offer of Shri. Thomas Stephen to undertake the work at Rs.84.35 per cum. of timber is acceptable.

But there was a post offer from one Shri. T.A. Jose, S/o Anthony Thottyan, P.O. Varandarappilly, Pudukad, agreeing to understanding the work at Rs.80/- per cum. The offer is reported to have been received on 11-7-73. Though such post offers are not acceptable, the Divl. Forest Officer was asked to direct the petitioner to deposit an amount of Rs.25,500/- as E.M.D. in support of his offer, so that he may not back out from his offer when the work is retendered. Accordingly a countersigned chalan for Rs.25,500/- was issued to the petitioner with currency upto 14-8-1973. The cover was delivered to bim on 10-8-73. But he has not remitted the amount and produced the receipted chalan till date. His petition was therefore rejected.

Having convinced myself that there has been wide publicity for the tender, that there was keen competition among the tenderers that the rate fetched is far below the departmental standard rate and thus advantageous to Government and as the Divl. Forest Officer has recommended to accept the lowest tender offered. I Shri. K.G. Vasudevan, Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, Trichur accept the tender offered by Shri Thomas Stephan to undertake the work at Rs.84.35 per cum of timber and award the work is his name.

The tenders are returned herewith for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

K.G. Vasudevan,  
Conservator of Forests.

To

The Divl. Forest Officer, Chalakudy.  
Copy with copy of notification submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum for favour of information.

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for Conservator of Forests.

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