

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
ABSTRACT

Forest- Extraction of timber raising of girth limit of saleable timber in Idikki project area orders issued.

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Agriculture & Rural Devpt.Dept. (Agri. Forest)

G.O.Rt. 2432/65/AD

dated 25-11-1965

Read letter C1-42035/61 dated 29-5-64 and 15-6-65 from the Chief conservator of forests.

ORDER

The Chief Conservator of Forests has proposed that the girth of timber to be extracted to the depots may be raised, stating that indiscriminate collection and supply of low girth timber to the depots has spoiled the timber market and that depot space available now is not enough to accommodate all logs coming to the depot. It has also stated that in the Idikki submergible area alone about 14000 acres of forest will be submerged and in about eight to nine thousand acres there will be tree growth. Alternative depot site has therefore to be found to provide for this stock and it has become extremely difficult to find suitable place for accommodating these logs. He has suggested that the feasible method of tackling this problem will be by raising the girth limit of timber to be delivered at the Government depots.

2. Government consider that it will not be advisable to issue a general order raising the girth limit of depot supply timbers as it may affect supply of timber to government of India Sister Departments and other Bodies to whom regular supplies are made from the Forest Department it may also affect prices in the depot.
3. But the following girth limit will be adhered to in respect of timber to be extracted from the Idikki project area as the area is vast and the time at the disposal of the Department to have the whole area cleared is limited.
 - i. Teak, rosewood and evedia- Trees of and above 36" (90 c.m) at breast height are to be worked down to the depot.
 - ii. Other hardwood species such as Vengai, Anjili, IRUL etc. Trees of and above 48" (122 c.m) at B.H to be worked down to the depot.
 - iii. Semi hardwood like Venteak, Maruthy, etc. Trees of and above 60" (152 c.m) B.H to be worked down to the depot.

By order of the Governor
T.R. Sukumaran Nair,
Jt. Secretary.

Endt. on C1-42035/61 dated 30-11-65.

Copy communicated to all conservators, D.F.Os etc.

Sd/- For Chief conservator of forests.

Endt. on F. Dis 23233/65 ML . dated 21-12-1965.

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Conservator's Office,
Chalakydy.

For Conservator of Forests.