

Copy of Circular Memorandum No. D1- 6705/65 dated 12-8-1966 from the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

Sub:- Transfer of forest land to the control of the panchayat.

An instance has come to my notice where a Circle Conservator of Forests has issued instructions to transfer a bit land which was under the control of this Department to the Revenue Department. The authority pointed out by the Conservator of Forests is Government order No. 30060/A5/64/ Rd dated 15/17-3-65 and FB3-3505/66/Agri. Dated 6-2-66. The Government order do not specify the authority who may transfer the land.

The Forest Department have under its control several departmental compounds and other areas all over the state. Even if the officers in charge of the area are of opinion that any portion of such compound or land is not required for the use of the department it is not correct for them to transfer that portion of the land to the Revenue Department without getting the sanction of the chief Conservator of Forests.

It is therefore ordered that whenever such transfer is found necessary, the officers in charge of the area should obtain the specific sanction of the Chief Conservator of Forests to transfer are area to other Departments even if there are standing orders or general instructions in the matter.

Sd/-
Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. On D. 14115/66 dated 26-8-1966

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Conservator's Office,
Chalakkudy.

For Conservator of Forests.