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Collectorate, Thrissur  
Dated, 20 - 06 - 2000.

Sub:- Felling of trees from Vested Forests, Patta  
Land and other areas - Instructions - issued.

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It has come to the notice of the undersigned that proper care and verification are not taken in issuing permission for cutting and transportation of trees. Therefore, the following instructions are issued for necessary immediate action.

- (1) When the recommendation is made by the concerned officers in the Revenue Department to the forest officials, it should be only after the verification of proper records concerning the land in question.
- (2) The status of the area owned by the applicant should be clearly specified.
- (3) Before issuing any recommendations for the cutting and removal of trees from pattayam lands the conditions in the pattayam and the rules specified in Land Assignment Act should be strictly followed.
- (4) Regarding dead and dying trees and wind-fallen trees the same may be got inspected by the concerned forest officials before making any action for the disposal of trees. Any further action will be taken only after the DFC/FRO forwards a report to concerned Tahsildar for verification of the nature of the land.
- (5) The permission to cut trees in private land situated adjacent to the vested forest land and reserve forests will not be issued by Forest Officers unless and otherwise clear proof of ownership of this land is produced before the Tahsildar concerned and a clearance from Tahsildar is obtained in this regard.
- (6) The Provisions of Kerala Preservation of Trees Act, 1986 shall be meticulously followed in cases of cutting/felling of Reserve Trees and any violation of that will be viewed seriously and dealt with according to the law.

Without abiding by the above conditions, no permission shall be granted for cutting and /or transporting the trees. The Revenue Officers and Forest Officers will be personally liable for any lapse in this regard.

The receipt of the Circular may be acknowledged by return.

To

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Thrissur.  
All Tahsildars  
All Divisional Forest Officers

*[Signature]*  
District Collector  
Thrissur

Encl. on CA 4 - 3046 / 2000 dated 29.6.2000 L.D.S

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