GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

ABSTRACT

Forest & Wildlife Department-Establishment-'The Kerala Chief Minister's Forest Medal Rules-Approved-Orders

FOREST & WILDLIFE (F) DEPARTMENT

GO (Rt) NO.504/2001/F&WLD. DATED, Thiruvananthapuram, 28.11.2001

Read:- Lr.No.EI.26798/97 dated 23.6.97 from the Principal Chief Conservator of. Forest(General) Thiruvananthapuram

<u>ORDER</u>

In the letter read above the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests forwarded a proposal for the introduction of as an award in the form of a Medal Styled and designated as "The Kerala Chief Minister's Forest Medals" to Forest personal in recognition of their materitorious work in Forest and Wildlife Protection duties.

Government have examined the matter in details and are2 pleased to approve the proposal and Government also approve 'The Kerala Chief Minister's Forest Medal Rules', as appended to the order.

By Order of the Governor Sd/-K.K.RAMANI Additional Secretary.

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Thiruvananthapuram.

Endt.on.EI.40339/2001 Dated,22/1/2002.

Copy with copy of the enclosures forwarded to all Chief Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests/Divisional Forest Officers/Wildlife Preservator officers/Asst. conservator of Forests/Working Plan Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forests(Research)/Principal, Kerala Forest School for information and necessary action.

They are requested to nominate deserving persons in the prescribed Performa before 31st August every year to the circle level Screening Committee. The Circles level screening Committee, so formed should finalise the name of deserving Personals before 30th September every year and forwarded the same to this office by 15th October every year.

For Chief Conservator of Forests (Administration)

THE KERALA CHIEF MINITER'S FOREST MEDAL RULES

- 1) These Rules shall be known as 'THE KERALA CHIEF MINISTER'S FOREST MEDAL RULES' and shall be applicable to all forest personnel and below the rank of Ranger Forest Department.
- 2) The award shall be in the form of a Medal and styled and designed a "Kerala Chief Ministers Forest Medal" here in after referred to as the medal.
- 3) Description of the medals:-

The medal will be circular shape made of Bronze, coated with Nickal, 31/2 c.m.in diameter and will have embossed on the front the State Emblem and the words "Kerala Chief Minister's Forest medal(year) above and the words "Good Service below inscribed. The Reverse side will have the figure of a tree and the words" "Kerala Forest" above and the name and designation of the receipt inscribed below.

- 4) Each medal shall be suspended from the left side of the chest with a ribend of an inch and three eighth in width colored half green and half yellow.
- 5) The total number of medals awarded in a calendar year will be limited to 20 (twenty only) viz. 1 for Ranger, 1 for Deputy Ranger/wild life Assistant, 4 Foresters and 14 for Forest Guards/ Watches.
- 6) The medals shall be awarded for out standing work in any aspect of Forest and Wildlife protection duties. These whose work is marked by exemplary service, devotion to duty, integrity, loyalty and high sense of discipline alone will be specifically considered for the ward.
- 7) To the eligible for the award, members of service should have completed service for a period not less than 3 years in the concerned category on the 1st march of the year, proceeding in which the medal is awarded.'
- 8) Any person against whom serious disciplinary action or Vigilance enquiry or judicial proceedings is pending or who has been awarded a major punishment under Kerala Civil Service (classification, control and Appeal) Rules 1960 or Prevention of corruption Act will not be eligible for the medal.
- 9) The model will carry a one-time cash reveive of Rs.1000/(One thousand Only) irrespective of the rank of the recipient
- 10) Nomination of deserving Ranger:

The Divisional Forest Officer/Wildlife Preservation Officer/Assistant Conservator of Forests/Working Plan Officer/Silvicultural Research Officer/Principal, Forest School shall assess the performance of the Rangers working under him/her and nominate one. Ranger for consideration of awaring the medal. The nomination shall be submitted to the Conservator of Forests having territorial jurisdiction over the Division in the prescribed Performa before 31st August every year.

11) Nomination of deserving Deputy Ranger/Wildlife Assistant, Forester and Forest Guards.

The list of deserving personal will be prepared by a committee consisting of the Divisional Forest Officer/Working Plan Officer /Wildlife Preservation Officer/Wildlife Warder/Assistant Conservator of Forest/Silvicultural Research Officer/ Principal. Forest School as Chairman and Rangers Working in the respective Division as members. The list will be submitted to the conservator of Forests having territorial juridication in the prescribed proforma before 31st August every year.

12) Screening Committee:

The Circle-level Screening Committee consisting of the Territorial Conservation of Forests as Chairman, the Divisional Forest Officers/Wildlife Preservation officer/Wildlife Warden/Assistant Conservator of Forests/Working Plan Officers/Silvicultural Research Officer/Principal, Forest School and the conservator (s)having control over the functional. Division situated with in the Territorial Circle as members will finalise the list of circle level(not more than Ranger, one Deputy Ranger/Wildlife Assistant, Four Foresters and Foresters and Fourteen Forest Guards) deserving personal before 30th September every year and forward it to the Principle Chief Conservator of Forests(General) by 15th October every year while doing so, the Conservator of Forest will append citations for these who have been recommended for the awards and ensure that the citations situations contain clear and specific details off the outstanding work. The citation should be brief not more than 2 pages, double line and should high light the achievements and good work done by the officer recommended, Eleven copies of the citation and the proforma duly filled in should be furnished to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(General). The Conservator of Forests will also furnish a certificate to the effect that the rules and procuderes have been correctly followed.

13) Selection Committee:

The State Level Selection Committee consisting of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(General) as Chairman, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Development & Project) and all Chief Conservator of Forests as members will meet and finalise the list of recipients before 15 November every year and submit the list of the Government not later that 1st December every year. Normally no recommendation should be made for the award of medal to the some person unless a period of 5 years have elapsed since the award of Medal on an earlier Occasion.

- 14) The award will be announced by the Government of Kerala on the 26 of January every year.
- 15) The Medal will be presented to the recipients of the State Capital on 15th August every year.