

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest Department- Cases pending in the High Court - special arrangement - authorisation to Conservation of Forests (special Forestry) Ernakulam to sign counter affidavit etc. on behalf of Government - orders issued.

FOREST 7 WILDLIFE (PS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(MS)NO. 24.95.F&WLD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 16.6.1995

Read:- D.O. letter No.E7-5545/95 dated 17.3.95 from the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests(Gel) Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

At any time there are a large number of Court cases pending in the High Court of Kerala pertaining to Forest and Wildlife Department. To attend to these cases many officers are to regularly travel from their head office to Ernakulam and back. There is a liaison office of the Forest Department with an Assistant Conservator of Forests and his staff located in Ernakulam to help i the conduct of these cases. In order to further streamline the conduct of cases the principal Chief Conservator of Forests has suggested that the Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry), Ernakulam, a newly created office may also be authorised to help in the conduct of the Court cases.

Therefore the following arrangements are ordered:

(i) In Cases where Forest officers alone are the respondent/ petitioners, the Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry) Ernakulam or the Liaison officer or the concerned officer can sign the affidavit on behalf of the Department.

(ii) In cases where Government is the sole respondent or one among the respondents, the Statement of facts and counter affidavits are to be prepared by Government in Forest Department on behalf of the Department, and an officer of the Government in Forest Department is to sign the counter affidavit.

(iii) The liaison officer and his staff hereafter be under the direct control of the Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry), Ernakulam.

By order of the Governor,  
John Mathai  
Secretary (Forests)

To

All Chief Conservator of Forests/ Conservator of Forests.

**Endt.on G3- 6020/95/K.dis.**

Conservator's Office, Thrissur.

Dated: 17..7..1995.

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for Conservator of Forests

Approved for issue

Superintendent