Copy of the G.O.Ms. 437/Agri.dt.10-10-68 from the Government Agriculture (Forest) Department to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

> Sub:-Forests-auction sale of timber at Depots-conditions of sale modified. Read:-Letter No.A4-16507/68 dt.9-8-68 from the C.C.F.

The Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter cited has requested certain modifications in the auction sale notifications for depot sales so as to make the conditions more clear.

In condition 10'ii) of the notification, it is not clear as to who is competent to extend the currency of the chalan after the expiry of the grace period of 52 days. In practice, the chalan is being extended by the Divl. Forest Officer. As such the condition has to be modified as 'In case of failure to remit the balance value within the period, a further period of 30 days for the remittance of the balance value will be allowed by the Divl. Forest Officer concerned subject to recovery of penal interest at 12 per cent per annum''.

The fourth sentence of the above condition read as follows. "If the amount is not remitted within 30 days after the expiry of the grace period of 52 days, the Department will take steps for reauction of the produce etc. The C.C.F has suggested that the word "Department" occurring in the above condition may be substituted by 'Divl. Forest Officer".

Similarly the condition 14 reads as follows.

If the timber fully paid for is not removed within the grace period referred to in condition 13, the Divl. Forest Officer will allow a further period for removal up to six months from the date of the sale subject to recovery of ground rent etc. The Chief Conservator of Forests has also proposed that in the above condition, instead of the word "Divl. Forest Officer' the words "Divl. Forest Officer or any other Officer authorized by him" may be substituted.

The above suggestions of the Chief Conservator of Forests are approved.

By order etc.

Sd/- Asst.Secretary

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Sd/- For Chief Conservator of Forests

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