GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

Timber allotment to Hill tribes for house construction purposes – further orders issued.

Agriculture Department (Forest)

G.O.No.257/64.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 4-4-1964.

Read again : G.O.MS1038/62/Agri. dated 11-9-1962.

Read also : 1. Letter No.Col.D3-50542/62 dated 13-12-1962 from the Director of Harijan Welfare.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No.C2-44257/62 dated 7-1-1964 from the C.C.F.

<u>O R D E R</u>

In the G.O. read above, Government ordered that wind fallen trees or trees standing in the settlements, except teak and rosewood, would be measured over to the tribes at seigniorage rates to enable them to construct houses. The Director of Harijan Welfare reported that the Forest Officers not being delegated with powers to measure over the required timber to the tribes for their house construction purposes, much difficulty was being experienced and that the progress of construction affected adversely. He therefore requested that the Range Officers and Divl. Forest Officers might be delegated with powers to measure over certain quantities of timber at seigniorage rates.

It is seen that according to the estimate furnished by the Director of Harijan Welfare the quantity of timber required for the construction of a house works out to 18.4 cft. of Jackwood and 34 cft. of Maruthy and that the seig. rate for these species is Rs.1,50 & 0.75 per cft. respectively. Government are therefore pleased to order that the quantity of wood to be supplied for each house is fixed as 53 cft. (not exceeding 19 cft of Jackwood and 34 cft of Maruthy) at a cost not exceeding Rs.54 at Seig. rate.

Government also ob serve that in all settlements Jack wood or Maruthy to the extent required for each house may not be available and in such cases the allotment of timber should not be held up. They therefore order that in case, the required quantity Jackwood or Maruthy or both being not available in a particular settlement, any other auitable substitute except teak and rosewood should be measured over subject to the total quantity and the total cost at seig. rate not exceeding those mentioned above.

The timber will be measured over by the Range Officer at the request of the District Welfare Officer of the Harijan Welfare Department.

By order of the Governor, T.N. Sukumaran Nair, Joint Secretary.

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The Chief Conservator of Forests.

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Office, Trivandrum

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