Copy of letter No.SRC-1/34329/62 dated 24-9-62 from the Secretary, Board of Revenue, Trivandrum to the Chief Conservator of Forests.

Sub:- Agril. Income Tax and Sales tax Management – Tax –clearance Certificates –Sri.T.V.Joseph, coupe contractor, Kothamangalam requisition from the Sales tax Officer, Non-compliance by district Forest Officer, Chalakudy – instructions to be issued.

In enclosing a copy of letter No.DCG 10-2061/62 dated 13-8-'62 from the Deputy Commissioner, Agri. Income Tax & Sales Tax, Ernakulam, it is requested that instructions may be issued in the matter to the District Forest Officers to comply with the Government Order No.G.O.(F)140/60/Rev. dated 20.2.60.

A reply on the nature of action taken by you may also kindly be sent to this office.

Sd/- Secretary (Taxes)

Copy of letter No.DCG10-2061/62 dated 13-8-62 of the Deputy Commissioner, Ernakulam.

Sub:-C.S.T Act- arrears of sales tax due from Sri.T.V.Joseph- Coupe Contractor, Kothamangalam-recovery from the Secretary deposited before the Forest Officer – regarding.

Sri.T.V.Joseph, Coupe Contractor, Kothamangalam who is an arrears on the files of the salestax officer, Muvattupuzha is in arrears of tax and surcharge of Rs. 3936.68. Coercive step were taken by the Sales tax Officer to realize the arrears, but the defaulter filed a petition before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and obtained an interim stay of the collection of tax.

In the meanwhile the Divl. Forest Officer, Chalakudy was addressed by the Salestax Officer requesting him not to release the security deposited before him. The D.F.O has replied that there is no necessity of production of tax clearance certificate and that he cannot but release the security unless share is any order of attachment to prevent the Forest Department for the release of the security. He also wanted definite instructions within a week whether the security can be released.

In this connection I would like to invite your attention to the G.O. (F)140/60/Rev. dated 20-02-60 (Board's endt. on 11-3968/62 dated 27-2-60) where is it has been clearly laid down that production of Agrl. Income tax and Sales tax clearance certificate should be insisted on from the Contractors before the security deposits are released and deduction can be made from the security deposits. It is not known why the officers of the Forest Department are not adhere in to the above Government order even though there is specific request from the officers of the Department.

I therefore request you that the Government may be moved as that necessary instructions may be issued to the forest department to insist on Agrl. Income tax and sales tax clearance certificates from the contractors before the security deposits are released.

Early orders in the matter are awaited.

Endt. on C2-3130/59 dated 4/16-10-62

Copies forwarded to the Conservator of Forests, Chalakudy for inforestion and strict attention, vide CN.2973/56 dated 6-8-62. He will please issue strict instructions to the Divl. Forest Officers to comply with the G.O. cited the rain.

Copies to the Conservator, Kozhikode, quilon and development Circle, Trichur for information and attention.

Sd/- for Chief Conservator of Forests

Endt. on CH-2978/58 dated 25-10-62.

Office of the Conservator of Forest Chalakudy

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Chalakudy for information and strict attention. (Dis.No. CCP-34/59 dated 21/23-8-1962) and also to other Divisional Forest Officers for information.