

Copy of letter No.4-19086/66 dated 10/15-11-66 from the Chief Conservator of Forests to the Conservator of Forests, Chalakudy.

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Sub:- Timber Auction sales of timber at Depots difference in measurements petition from timber merchants regarding orders issued.

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The Hon. Secretary, the Malabar Chamber of Commerce, Calicut in his petition dated 9-6-66 had pointed out that differences are noticed in the measurements of logs put up for auction, particularly in Malabar Division.

The remarks of the Conservator of Forests were obtained on this complaint. In order to avoid disparity between the measurements in the auction lists and the logs, the Conservator of Forests, Kozhikode has suggested that the practice of chiselling measurements on the logs may be discontinued, as the corrections effected in the auction lists are not made on the logs and the bidders think that the measurements chiselled on the logs are correct and final. The suggestion of the Conservator of Forests is approved and it is ordered that the practice of chiselling measurements on the logs in the field should be discontinued forthwith. Regarding the differences in the measurements of logs pointed out the Conservators of Forests will issue strict instructions to the Divl. Forest Officer to see that the measurements of logs are taken and recorded correctly and check measurements made more effectively. Suitable action is also called for against the subordinates if instances of failure to comply with the instructions are noticed.

Sd/- For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on F1-189C4/66 dated 18-11-1966.

Copy to Divl. Forest Officer,

Wild Life Preservation Officer, Thekkady,

Depot Officer,

reinforcement and strict attention. During check measurements the Divl. Forest Officer must satisfy himself regarding correctness of measurements and if the Depot staff is found wanting in efficiency suitable action should be taken against them,

Conservator of Office,

Chalakudy

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For Conservator of Forest.