

Government of Kerala

Abstract

Forests — collection of top ends butt ends — firewood procedure regarding — sanction — accorded.

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AGRICULTURE (FOREST) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)956/75/AD.

Dated, Trivandrum, 1-4-1975

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Read:- Letter No.C4-33185/74 dated 30-1-1975 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

O R D E R

It has come to the notice of Government that there is such demand for the top ends ends and butt ends that would become available from areas worked under selection felling system. So it was felt necessary to have some standing arrangement for their disposal.

The Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter read above has suggested the following procedure for the disposal of top ends and butt ends.

As there is demand for logs of even smaller sizes down to 60 c.m Industries may be allowed to collect small timber of softwood species down to 60 c.m of girth at 70% of mellabhom rate. What remains in the field will be the rejections which are not utilisable as timber and lops and tops. That can be converted into firewood. If the industries are interested in collecting these materials from the rejection and hops and tops they can be permitted to collect the same under the following conditions.

i) If the request is from an industry which is collecting timber under mellabhom system from a particular area, collection of firewood can be permitted side by side with the collection of timber. In this case, the coupe allotted should be sub divided into strips and collection of firewood from a strip he allowed only after removal of timber sizes including the small timber from that strip. A supplemental agreement for the collection of firewood and lops and tops how to be insisted upon.

ii) If the request is from any other unit, extraction can be allowed only after completion of main fellings, collection and removal by the mellabhom allottee.

iii) Small timber of hardwood species which are unfit for depot delivery may be allowed to be collected by the grantee at existing seigniorage rate.

iv) Firewood available from both hardwood and softwood species can be allowed to be collected and removed after check measurement at double the existing seigniorage rate.

v) Small timber and firewood of teak and rosewood if any should be worked down to the depots as directed by the Divl. Forest Officer and for that the party will be paid working charges at departmental schedule rate approved by Conservator of Forests concerned.

vi) The period of contrast will be fixed by the Chief Conservator of Forests while making allotment taking into the account the quantity involved, location of the coupe etc.

vii) When there are more than one applicant for a particular area, none being the mellabhom allottee right of collection shall be auctioned among the applicants.

Government accept the above proposal of the Chief Conservator of Forests and they order accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)

K.M. MATHEW,

Under Secretary.

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

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for Chief Conservator of Forests.

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