

Copy of letter No.c2-15282/73 dt.13/18-10-73 from the Chief conservator of forests to the secretary to Govt., Agri (Forest) Deptt., and copy to all CFs & DFCs etc.

Sub:- Forest Deptt – working down rosewood logo – rates for extra works involved.

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During the conference held on 27/2/'73 by the Hon'ble Minister for Finance at Ernakulam Collectorate certain decisions were taken. One of the these decisions was that in the case of export size Rosewood, bark and sapwood need not be removed when such timber is worked down to depots. Instructions to this effect were accordingly issued to all the Divl. Forest officers. It was also directed to get the sapwood removed at the middle portion in order to facilitate girth measurement of the logo.

Now the conservator of Forests, Quilon has reported that when the logo are sold in Depots, only the heartwood volume is taken into considered since sapwood is excluded in the volume calculation and that this will entail loss to Government. Thus the purchaser will be getting sapwood also without any payment and the Department has to transport the sapwood also without unnecessarily to the Depart. The transport contractor has to be paid charges for transport of the whole log including sapwood. The charges thus paid for sapwood will be a loss to Govt. Hence I request that Govt. may be pleased to discontinue the present arrangement and follow the ole system.

Under these circumstances, I am directing the Conservators of forests and Divl. Forest officers to switch over to the old system orders are issued by Government.

Sd/-for Chief Conservator of
Forests

Endt. On ML-8625/72 dt. 20.11.'73.

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For Conservator of Forests,
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