No. 8-4/80-FRY (Coord) Government of India Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agri & Cooperation)

New Delhi, the 19th December 1981.

To

The Forestry Secretary - All States/Union Territories.

Chief Conservator of Forests – All States & Union Territories.

Sir,

Sub:- Forest (Conservation) Act. 1980 – Disposal of cases referred to the Forest Department.

I am directed to invite reference to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 29-8-81 urging and expeditions disposal of cases referred to the Forest Department for clearance under the forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 2. It has been reported that a member of reference, mainly relating to the miming in forest areas are pending clearance, at various levels in the Forest Department of man y state. It is once again urged that undue delay in the disposal of such references should be avoided at all costs, Delay of this nature may adversely affect the implementation of important development projects and may consequently bring the Act it self into disrepute. This should be avoided-
- 3. On way of reducing the time-lag could be to lay down specific time-limits for disposal of such reference at various levels. Efforts should be to dispose of a case at State Government level within a maximum period of two mention. In simple cases, a lesser time limit should be said down. Specific introductions may be issued in this regard to officers at all levels.
- 4. While forwarding the proposals to the Central Government complete details of all aspects of the case should be given. In this connection, attention is invited, to this Ministry's letter of even No. dated 5-6-81 and 30-10-81 (Copy enclosed). It has been decided that incompletes and deficient proposal will not be considered and will be returned be the State Government in Original.

- 5. In cases in which the State Government is requested to furnish clarifications of additional information relating to a proposal, a reply should be <u>sent within a maximum time</u> <u>limit of six weeks</u>. If the required clarification/information is not given within the period, it will be presumed that the State Government is not interested in pursing the proposal and the case will be closed not end.
 - 6. These instructions may kindly be complied with strict.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(N.D. BACHETI) INSPECTOR GENERAL OF FORESTS

Annexure-III

No.5/2/82-FRY (CONS) Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, (Department of Agri. & Co-operation)

New Delhi, the 11th January, 1982.

To

Forest Secretaries and Chief Conservators of Forests of Coastal States/Union Territories.

Subject:- Preservation of beaches – instructions of Prime Minister.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of Prime Minister's letter No.762.PMO/81 dated 27-11-81 to all the coastal States about the degradation and mystification of beaches in coast states by building and other activity. It is requested that the instructions contained in the letter may be followed strictly.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(K.V. Kesavan) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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For Conservator of Forests, Trichur.

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