Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum, 21-3-1986.

## CIRCULAR NO.9/86

Sub:- Disposal of major forest produce from sale depots/Range depots – Procedure to be followed – further instructions issued.

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Instructions regarding letting, stacking and other important aspects to be followed while disposing of major forest produce have been issued vide this office circular No.1/85 dt. 1-1-1985. It is needless to reiterate that the instructions contained therein should be followed without any lapse while conducting auctions.

Still complaints are not uncommon regarding sale of forest produce in Govt. sale depots. A recent complaint which has been brought to the notice of the undersigned is that auctions of timber and other forest produce in sale depots are being conducted by not going, near each lot. It has also been complained that classification and letting of timber and other format produce have also not been done perfectly and the Auctioning Officer has not conducted the required checks expected of him.

Needless to say that the classification and letting of the produce before auction if not properly done and the auction not conducted at the spot near each lot the Department may not got reasonable price as there is likely to be lack of competition among the bidders due to unconvincing position of the produce offered for the auction. The consequential loss of revenue could be phenomenal due to carelessness on the part of the Auctioning Officer.

In the circumstances it is ordered that in future the auction of timber and other forest produce from sale depots including dumping depots should be done at the spot rear each lot after proper classification and letting. All the Auctioning Officers will ensure that this procedure is invariably adhered to.

The receipt of this Circular may be acknowledged.

Sd/-M. Sivarajan, Chief Conservator of Forests.

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