

Circular No.10/60, C1-3866/60 dated 25-3-60 from the Chief Conservator of Forests, To All Conservators and Divisional Forest Officers

It has become a habit with Range Officers to claim rates higher than Schedule Rates for most of the Silvicultural works which are to be carried out departmentally. These rates were discussed at Range level and approved. The claim for higher rates cannot be encouraged except on special circumstances. It is only a good Range Officer who is capable of close supervision that can get works done at Schedule rates. When the Range Officers sit tight at home in Silk Jubbas, rates will go high. The Conservators of Forests and Divisional Forest Officers are recommending higher rates without making any attempt to verify the claim of Range Officers. This is most disconcerting if not a poor reflection on the ability of Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators of Forests to assess actual requirements.

2. Hereafter in the Confidential report of the Range Officers there will be a specific entry as "Is he above to carry out works at reasonable rates". Range Officers who cannot do this have to be weeded out.

Sd/- Chief Conservator of Forests,

Endt. On F.Dis.799/60, dated 30-03-60.

Copy to Range Officer, Flying Squad, Junior Engineers, Chalakudy and Mundakayam for information.

Copy to Circular file and Stock file & file E.3625/58. Copy to contract sections.

Sd/- Conservator of Forests, Chalakudy,

Forwarded/By order

Manager.