Government Memorandum No.2225-FB1/62/Agri. dated 7-2-'62, Agriculture (Forest-B) Department.

Sub:- Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act- Reduction and remission of Court fees - Existing notifications - Continuance - Reg.

Government propose to consolidate and unify the notifications issued under the Madras and Travancore-Cochin Court Fees Acts remitting or reducing court fees payable under those Acts and which are inforce in the erst while Malabar and Travancore-Cochin areas and reissue them under the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act. For this purpose, it is necessary to examine all such notifications now in force in the said areas and to determine which of them should be continued under the unified Act and which of them should be repeated.

Extracts of a notification which may be in force in the Travancore-Cochin area and portaining to applications for the removal of green manure from Government forests and applications for free passes for removal of timber and other produce from registered holdings under Forest Rules is herewith forwarded to the Chief Conservator of Forests. The Chief Conservator of Forests is requested to verify whether it is not in force and also examine other notifications, if any, and intimate Government urgently whether it/they should be continued under the Kerala Court Fees and made applicable throughout the State and also whether any modifications, additions etc., should be made to it/them.

However, under clause (XV) of section 72 of the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act "application for permission to cut timber in Govt. Forests or otherwise relating to such forests not being applications from forest contractors for extending the period of their leases" is exempted from court fees. In view of this, it may not be necessary to continue item (12) in the notification. But item (13) i.e., applications for free passes for removal of timber etc., from registered holdings under Forest Rules may nbot be covered by section 72 (XV) and it may therefore be necessary to continue the same.

P. Parukutty Amma, Assistant Secretary.

## TRAVANCORE COCHIN COURT FEES ACT 1125 (II of 1125)

Reductions and Remissions of Court fees in respect of certain applications presented before officers other than courts (section 36).

Notification No.Fin. (SR)5-13896/56 dated, 5-6-56 published in the Gazette dated, 12-6-56, Part I, page 644.

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- 12. To exempt from the levy of court fees, the applications for the removal from Govt. Forests, of green manure and of timber for making agricultural implements.
- 13. To exempt from the levy of court fees, the applications for free passes for removal of timber and other produce from registered holdings under Forest Rules".

For Chief Conservator of Forests.