PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, TRIVANDRUM.

Sub:- Auction sale of timber at connection Depot on 26-3-73 Recovery of loss – regarding.

Read:- 1) Quilon C.F.'s letter No.QC3-4291/73 dated 26-4-73.

- 2) Do 26-9-73.
- 3) Do QC3-6615/74 dated 25-6-74.

ORDER ON FU (2) 17258/73 dated 22-7-1974.

In reference second cited Conservator of Forests, Quilon has reported that 109 logs of Kulavu and Kalmanickam delivered by the Contractor Sri. K.J. Jacob as per agreement dated 17-3-1972 from 1972 Conversion coupe in Achancoil Range have been put up for auction on 26-3-1973 at Chencottah Depot and those logs have fetched rates below seigniorage plus working charges sustaining a loss of Rs.1,088.58 towards Government.

Regarding the recovery of loss from the parties responsible Conservator of Forests, Quilon in referance third cited has reported that the logs were registered and entrusted to the Conservator in time. The Contractor was not able to transport the logs from the coupe in time due to heavy rains and hence the delay was caused in the delivery of the logs. Conservator of Forests has also remarked that the Kulavu and Kalmanickom logs, which are semi-hardwood, of low girth have no demand in Tamil Nadu and most of the bidders who participated in the auction were from Tamil Nadu and so these second class logs fetched only low price in the above sections, for which nobody could be held responsible.

The Conservator of Forests, Quilon has requested to drop the question of recovery of loss in this case.

In the above circumstances the question of recovery of loss amounting to Rs.1,088.58 is dropped.

Sd/Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on FU(2)1725*/73 dated 22-7-1974 (K.Dis.)

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In Government Order No.Rt.20/73/AD dated 4-1-1973 stipulated that such cases may be delat with individually on merits by departmental officers at appropriate levels. Such cases are not in common in spite of a Circular issued from this office to restrict the number of depot delivery species. The Conservators of Forests are again directed to eliminate such of these specious for which the current market is very poor even if they have been mariked for extraction.

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Endt. on KT.13585/74 dated 1-8-74.

Copy to Divisional Forest Officers for information and guidance.

Copy to TR, CH, ML, NR and stock file and Senior Superintendent and Administrative Assistant.

for Conservator of Forests, Trichur.