## **GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

No.75615/FS.1/73/AD

Agriculture (Forest) Department Trivandrum, Dated 12-12-1973.

## CIRCULAR

Sub:- Kerala Private Forests (Vesting & Assignment) Act 1971 – Implementation of Action – Regarding importance and urgency stressed

The Kerala Private Forests (Vesting & Assignment) Act 1971 has been upheld as valid by the Supreme Court in September 1973. The Act provides for the Government to complete the implementation of the various provisions of the Act within two years. It will, therefore, be noticed that all action in relation to this subject have to be done with a sense of urgency and purpose.

The implementation of the Act involves survey and demarcation of the Vested Forests, study of the economic and physical conditions and assignment of large tracts to agricultural labour and other deserving sections of the population. It has been upheld as a measure of agrarian reform. The implementation therefore will require the active cooperation of all departments of the Government. Government have appointed to Government in the Agriculture (Forest) Department. All items which will possibly delay the work should be promptly brought to his personal notice.

All communications in regard to this Act will require personal and immediate attention of the departments/officers concerned. Government direct that such consideration should be accorded at all levels.

Endt. On VF2-43081/73 dt. 20-12-73.

Copy to Conservator of Forests, Special Circle, Kozhikode for information. Copy to all Conservator of Forests for information/copy to Special Division Divisional Forest Officers for informations.

Sd/- for Chief Conservator of Forests

Central Circle Conservator's Office, Trichur -1.

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officers, Trichur, Chalakudy, Malayattur, Munnar and Kottayam for information and attention.

For Conservator of Forests, Trichur.