CIRCULAR NO. /81

Sub:- Forest cases – scrutiny by I.G. of Police Vigilance (Forest and Taxes) – Regarding.

In this office Circular No.B1-54802/73 dated 25-11-1973, it is laid down that cases of theft involving a loss amounting to Rs.5,000/- and above should be reported to the concerned Police Stations immediately and the fact reported to higher authorities. It is doubtful whether these instructions are strictly and promptly carried out. It is desirable that there should be a check to ensure that the above instructions are carried out.

From their very nature, some of the Forest Cases are likely to be complicated, requiring careful and detailed investigation. The I.G. of Police, Vigilance (Forest and Taxes) has offered to help the Forest Officers in the investigation of such offences.

In the Forest Department, the Vigilance and Evaluation Wing under the charge of Chief Conservator of Forests, Vigilance, is the most important agency concerned with the investigation of Forest Offences. The I.G. of Police Vigilance (Forest and Taxes who is in charge of the organization connected with Vigilance matters is also engaged in more or less similar purposes so far as the Forest Department is concerned. It is therefore necessary to have close co-ordination between these two agencies to secure better and sufficient functioning of the Vigilance organization.

It is therefore considered necessary that monthly returns about the Forest Offences in the various Ranges and Divisions are made available to the I.G, of Police, Vigilance (Forest and Taxes) for his information and scrutiny. This will enable him to select important cases for study and also for giving suitable instructions to the investigating officers.

Accordingly all Divl. Forest Officers are requested to send monthly returns of Forest cases to the I.G.of Police Vigilance (Forest and Taxes) regularly hereafter.

The receipt of this circular should be acknowledged.

Sd-/ Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on C2-10269/81 dated 7-7-1981.

Copy of Circular No.11/81 dated 9-6-1981 to all sections in this office. Copy to Junior Superintendent, Senior Superintendent, Administrative Assistant & to Conservator of Forests' table.

> For Conservator of Forests, Trichur.