GOVERNMENT OF KERALA ABSTRACT

Extraction of timber from Kuzhimattam IX and Kallomundahthotty Food Production areas as per agreement dated 16-1-1970 with Sri.P.B. Narayanan Nair – excess collection – regularization of –

AGRICULTURE (FOREST) DEPARTMENT G.O.Rt.2372/71/Agri. Dated, Trivandrum, 18-12-1971.

Read:-

Letter No.C2-32030-70 dated 22-8-1970 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

<u>ORDER</u>

The work of extraction of timber from the marked trees from Kuzhimattam coupe IX and Kollemundanthotty Food production area in Thodupuzha Range of Malayattur Division for the delivery of logs at Government timber Depot, Vettoor was awarded to Sri. P.B.Narayanan Nair, the lowest tenderer at the rate of Rs.64/-per cum. The work was completed by the contractor with the contract period. Necessary estimate for the above work was not submitted and got sanctioned by the Divisional Forest Officer due to oversight. After expiry of the contract the Divisional Forest Officer, submitted necessary estimate for the wok.

The quantity estimated to be worked down as per the notification and as per the agreement was 590 cum. But the quantity submitted in the estimate was 771.390 cum. that is the quantity collected and delivered by the Contractor at the depot. This is 31% in excess over the quantity notified to be extracted.

The work is included in the plan of operation for which there was budget allotment. There is also no irregularity in awarding the contract and it was done after obtaining the approval of standard rate etc. The conservator of Forests, Trichur has given instruction to the subordinate officer to avoid such omission in future. In the light of the above explanation the action of the Divisional Forest Officer in having made payment before obtaining the estimate sanction is ratified. The excess quantity collected as against the estimated quantity of 590 cum. is also regularized.

Sd/-Joint Secretary. Copy forwarded to the Conservator of Forests, Trichur for necessary action (Ref.ML.18073/68).

> Sd/-For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt., on K.Dis 18073/68 dated 6-1-1972. Copy to stock file.

> For Conservator of Forests, Trichur.