GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Forest and Wild Life(C) Department

NOTIFIATION

G.O.(P) No. 15/98/F & WLD.

Dated, Thiruvanathapuram, 20th February, 1998.

S.R. O. No.206/98 --In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub- Section (I) of Section 3 of the Kerala Preservation of Trees Act, 1986 (35 of 1986), and in supervision of Notification No. 48225/FS-AD dated the 29th July 1983, published as S.R.O.No 972/83 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.820. dated 30.7.1983 and in suppression of Notification No 65874/Fs/AI 83/AD dated the fifth September ,1983,published as S.R.O.No 1108/83 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.956 dated 5.9.1983, the Government of Kerala hereby appoint the following officers to be the Authorized Officers for the purposes of the said Act in respect5 of the category of lands and species of trees noted against each, within their respective jurisdiction.

Authorized Officers	Category of Land	Species of Trees
Conservators of Forests of Territorial Circles	Forest land or any other Government Land under lease outside sanctuaries and Nationals; Parks	All Species
Conservators of Forests of Wild Life Circles	Forest land or any other Government land under lease within sanctuaries and National Parks.	All Species
Divisional Forest Officers of National Parks	Private lands outside sanctuaries	Rose wood, Teak, sandal, Ebony, and Chenkurijil
Wild Life Wardens and Wild Life preservation Officer	Private lands in the enclosures within sanctuaries and National Parks	Species other than Rose wood, Teak, Sandal Ebony and Chenkurijil
Assistant Wild Life Wardens and Assistant Wild Life Preservation Officer	Private lands in the enclosures within sanctuaries and National parks.	Species other than Rose Wood, Sandal, Ebony and Chenkurinjil

By order of the Governor, K. MOHANA CHANDRAN, Principal Secretary to Government Forests and Wild Life Department

Explanatory Note

In earlier notification issued under Sub Section (I) of section 3 of the Kerala Preservation of Trees Act, the territorial Range Officers were appointed Authories Officers. It has been brought to the notice of the Government that trees were permitted to be felled in areas which are ecologically sensitive and rich in biodiversity and that certain commercially species of trees are highly vulnetrable of feeling. It has been therefore, decided by the Government the authority to issue permit for felling should be delegated to officers Various levels of responsibility depending upon the importable and ecological sensitivity of the area and vulnerability of the species. This notification is intended to achieve the above object.