

Copy of letter No.C2-44257-62 from Chief Conservator of Forests to the Secretary to Government, Agricultural (Forest) Department dated 29/31-12-1962.

Sub:- Supply of timber to Scheduled Tribes for house construction purpose.

Ref:- G.M.No.75349/F1/62/Agri. dated 26-12-1962.

Copy of G.O.M.S.1038/Agri. dated 14-9-1962 has been communicated to the Conservators of Forests. I am calling for their remarks on the suggestion made by the Director of Harijan Welfare in his letter No.Col.D3-50542/62 dated 13-12-62 forwarded with the G.M. under reference. On receipt of the replies from the Conservators, I shall revert.

Sd/- for Chief Conservator of Forests.

Copy with copy of G.M. and its enclosure forwarded to all the Conservators, Chalikudi for information and immediate remarks vide this office No.D.Dus.28096/61 (C2) dated 12-10-1962.

Copy of G.M. No.75349-F1/62/Agri. Dated 26-12-1962 Agriculture Department (Forest), Trivandrum.

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Ref:- Letter No. Col.D3-50542/62 dated 13-12-1962 from the Director of Harijan Welfare.

Copy of the above letter is forwarded to the Chief Conservator of Forests for immediate remarks. He is also requested to state whether G.O.MS.1038/Agri. dated 14-9-1962 has not been communicated to the subordinate officers, if not what is the difficulty in implementing the orders.

Sd/- Deputy Secretary.

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests.

Copy of letter No.Col.D3.50542/62 dated 13-12-1962 from the Director of Harijan Welfare.

Sub:- Harijan Welfare-housing scheme for scheduled Tribes – supply of timber at seigniorage rate – authorization – orders request for

Ref:- G.O.M.S.1038/Agri (Forest) Dept. dated 14-9-1962.

I invite kind attention of Government to the G.O. cited in which Government have ordered that the wind fallen trees or trees standing in the settlement other than teak and rosewood will be measured over to the respective tribes at seignior age rates for house construction purposes so as to overcome the difficulties which the schedules tribes are being experienced.

It has been represented by the Scheduled tribes to whom house construction grants were sanctioned from this department that the Range Officers/Divl. Forest Officers are raising objections that has timber cannot sold by them since they have not been delegated with powers to do so. If the officers of the forest department are not empowered to sell the timber to such persons at seigniorage rate, the progress of constructions will be affected adversely.

I therefore recommend that Range Officers of the Forest Department may be delegated with powers to sanction the timber worth R,150/- and below and the Divl. Forest Officers to sanction the timber worth above Rs.150 and below Rs.500 to a tribal family at a time at seigniorage rates, for bonafide purpose of construction of houses in the forests.

I request the favour of very early orders.

Sd/-

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for Conservator of Forests,

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