

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA  
ABSTRACT**

Concessions to servicemen and their families – Rules or free grant of timber to widows or children Defense personnel/servicemen killed in action or to disabled ex-servicemen issued.

Agriculture & Rural Development Department  
(Agriculture Forest Estt.)

G.O. (P) 522/65/Agri.

Dated, Trivandrum, 14-9-1965.

Read:- 1. Letter No.G5-15988/64 dated, 20-5-1964 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

2. Letter No.DA15/71/Misc/10-Rules/971 dated, 12-1-1965 from the Accountant General.

**ORDER**

Government are pleased to approve the rules appended to this order for the free grant of timber for construction of dwelling houses to the widows or children defense personnel/servicemen killed in action or ex-servicemen disabled in military action during the present National Emergency.

2. The expenditure on this scheme will be debited to a new subhead to be opened under “71 Miscellaneous (f) Grants-in-aid Contribution etc”. Orders regarding the opening of the head of account will issue from Finance (B.G) Department.

(By order of the Governor)

M.K. Bhaskaran,

Asst. Secretary to Government.

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Endt. on D.Dis.30636/65 dated 9-10-1965.

Copy with copy of rules appended forwarded to all subordinates for information.

For Chief Conservator of Forests.

**Appendix**

Rules for the free grant of timber of Widows or Children of defense personnel/servicemen, killed in action or to disabled ex-servicemen.

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1. Timber will be supplied free of cost, during the period of the present National Emergency, to the widows or children of defence personnel/servicemen killed in action or ex-servicemen disabled in military action for construction of dwelling houses.

2. The maximum assistance by way of timber at the market rate under the scheme shall not exceed Rs.250/- in each case.

3. Timber will be supplied free of cost only to persons who have no dwelling houses of their own.

4. The quantity of timber to be supplied will be decided on the basis of a certificate from an officer of the P.W.D. not below the rank of an Assistant Engineer having jurisdiction over the area.

5. The applicant should produce a certificate from the District Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Board regarding the bonafides of the applicant.
6. The applicant should produce a certificate from the local Tahsildar to prove that the applicant has no dwelling house of his/own and that the applicant is the title-holder of the land on which the house is proposed to be constituted.
7. Only species like Venteak, Maruthi, Thembavu, Chadachi and other miscellaneous species will be supplied.
8. No selection of logs will be permitted.
9. Timber will be allotted as far as possible from the depots nearest to the place of construction, according to availability.
10. The application should be submitted to the Divisional Forest Officer concerned in the prescribed form along with the certificate referred to in rule 4, 5 and 6, who after satisfying himself of the eligibility of the applicant will issue the timber.
11. The Timber granted should be removed within one month of the date of sanction.
12. The timber granted should be utilized for the purpose for which it is granted within a period of one year.
13. The grantee should furnish the Accountant General through the Divisional Forest Officer concerned a certificate of utilization of the grant countersigned by the local Tahsildar within one month of the last date fixed for the utilization of the grant.
14. For breach of any or all of the rules the cost of the timber as fixed by the Divisional Forest Officer will be recoverable from the grantee under the Revenue Recovery Act for the time being in force or by any other means, which the Government may deem fit. Timber will be issued only after the grantee executes an agreement in the form annexed to these rules.
15. The Divisional Forest Officer should maintain a register showing the details of the free grants of timber sanctioned by him.
16. The expenditure will be initially met by the Forest Department. The Chief Conservator of Forests will intimate the details of expenditure incurred to the Secretary to Government, Public (Account Department for transfer debit under 71 Miscellaneous (f) Grants-in-contributions etc. The adjustment of the accounts will be made before the closing of the accounting year as soon as formal orders Government sanctioning the grant-in-aid are received. The expenditure incurred by the Divisional Forest Officers will be debited in the Division accounts under items adjustable by civil and included the monthly accounts of the Division concerned. An extract of the register mentioned in rule 15 should be attached to the monthly accounts in support of debits. Payee's receipts should also be attached. At the end of each year, the Chief Conservator of Forest will obtain the total expenditure incurred by various Divisions for the supply of free timber from the Divisional Forest Officers, consolidate the figures, get them reconciled with the figures books in the Accountant General's Office under "Items Adjustable by Civil and forward to the Government in the Public (Accounts) Department. For issue of formal orders based on reconciled figures. The formal orders issued by Government will contain the name and amount for each individual.

**ANNEXURE II**  
**APPLICATION FORM**

1. Name of Applicant :
2. Full address of the applicant :
3. Name of the person killed in action and the post held by him in the Defense forces. :
4. Relationship of the applicant to the person killed in action. :
5. Details of the post held in the Defense forces in the case of disabled Ex-servicemen Applicant. :
6. Quantity and species of timber required. :
7. Applicant's title to the land on which the house is proposed to be constructed. :
8. Whether the application is accompanied by.
  - (i) a Certificate from a competent Officer of the P.W.D. having jurisdiction over the area regarding quantity of timber required by the applicant. :
  - (ii) Certificate from the Tahsildar to prove that the applicant has no dwelling house of his/her own. :
  - (iii) Certificate from the District, Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Board regarding the bonafides of the applicant. :
9. Signature of Applicant
10. Date and place.

**ANNEXURE II**  
**FORM AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is executed on this the .....

..... day of ..... One thousand nine hundred and sixty ..... BETWEEN Smt/Shri ..... widow/son/daughter of Shri. ....

(H.F name and address) hereinafter called “the Grantee”) of the one part and the Government of Kerala (hereinafter called “the Government of the other part;

WHEREAS on the application of the Grantee, the Government have under the Rules for the grant of timber to widows or children of defence personnel/servicemen, killed in action or to disabled ex-servicemen (hereinafter called “the said Rules”) agreed to supply free of cost timber worth Rs..... for the purpose of .....

..... subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter contained to which the Grantee has agreed to;

NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS AND IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:-

1. The timber supplied shall be utilized by the Grantee only for the purpose of ..... and for the other purpose.

2. The Grantee shall remove the timber within one month of the date of sanction and the timber shall be utilized by the Grantee for the aforesaid purpose on or before .....

3. The Grantee shall on or before .....furnish to the Accountant General through the Divisional Forest Officer ..... a certificate of utilization countersigned by the Local Tahsildar.

4. In case the Grantee commits breach of all or any of the provisions herein contained, the cost of the timber on fixed by the Divisional Forest Officer, ..... shall immediately become payable by the Grantee and the Grantee shall pay the same, failing which the amount shall be recovered in the manner hereinafter contained.

5. All sums found due to the Government under or by virtue of those presents shall be recovered by the Grantee and his properties movable and immovable, as if they are arrears of land revenue under the provisions of the Revenue Recovery Act and in such other manner as the Government may deem fit.

IN FITNESS WHEREOF Smt./Shri. .... and Shri ..... for and on behalf of the Governor have hereunto set their hands the day and year first above written.

Signed by Shri. ....

In the presence of witnesses:

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Signed by Shri . . . . .

In the presence of Witnesses:-

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