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Subject: Regeneration areas – Chronology of Operations reg.

The chronology of operations with regards to artificial regeneration of teak, softwood etc., has been fixed in the Working Plans and instructions have also been given on that subject from time to time. The succerss or otherwise of a plantation scheme entirely depends on the strict adherence of the time (or period) given for the operations. There is therefore no necessity to emphasise that the time schedule should be kept up by all means.

- 2. Probably there is an impression that the time schedule need be observed only in case of planting and tending operations and it has been noticed that preliminary operation like survey and demarcation, fixing of supply contract, clear felling etc., are done in a rather haphazard and hurried manner and is mostly rushed through.
- 3. By delaying the survey of the area and thus reducing the span of time for supply and sale the department would loose a considerable amount of revenue. There will also not be enough time to get the slash properly dried and the consequence of it will be a poor burning. This will cause an initial set back due to heavy seed growth etc. Therefore the Conservators and Divisional Forest Officers should see that the schedule is observed strictly and necessary action for the cfommencement of the works should be taken sufficiently in advance.
- 4. Survey and enumeration can be started two years ahead of the planting year, after the monsoon season is over. Thus for 1964 planting the area should be surveyed, enumerated etc. between September to December and work of Departmental supply can be started by January-February. The area should be ready for sale by July-August and on no account the sale coupe contractor should be allowed to linger on after December (1963). It could give about 2 months' time for the slash to get dried. "The Third Five Year Plan detailed schemes" gives the chronology of operation and those are the latest dates and gives only the minimum span of time required for satisfactory completion of operation. But considering the very large area that is being opened up it would be advisable to give more time for supply and sale without upsetting the programme of burning, reburning, planting etc. The Conservators and Divisional Forest Officers are requested to bestow personal interest and to see that planting works are carried out in time.
- 5. It is noticed that in Quilon Circle supply and sale are as a rule delayed and this is strongly deprecated. It is instructed that timely action should be taken at all levels to see that such unnecessary delay in plantation scheme is avoided.

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