

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Third Five Year Plan – Forestry schemes – expeditious disposal of notification regarding safe of coupes – orders issued. facilitate planting – Gazette

Agriculture (Forest) Department

G.O.MS.889/62/Agri.

Dated, Trivandrum, 25-7-62

Read:- Letter B3-6107/62 dated 23-3-'62 from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

ORDER

The Chief Conservator of Forests has in the above letter recommended, among other things, that Gazette notifications regarding auction sale or tender for the disposal of coupes may be dispensed with in order that delays in getting such notifications published in the Gazette can be avoided.

The Chief Conservator of Forests is informed that section 78 of the Indian Evidence Act provides that the Acts, Orders or notification of the Government or any department of Government may be proved by the records of the Departments, certified by the Heads of those Departments respectively. There are a number of decisions to the effect that an extract from a newspaper of standing is not admissible as proof of Government notification has been published or not, such publication can be proved by the production of the copy of the Gazette. The publication in papers can be made in addition to it and not in substitution thereof. Under the circumstances Government cannot agree to the proposal to dispense with the Gazette notification.

Now therefore, what is required is the avoidance of delay in publication of notification in the Gazette. There are already rules in the matter. The Heads of Departments and offices are requested to see that notifications for publication are sent in time with covering letters specifying the latest Gazette in which each should appear. The Superintendent of Government Presses is requested to see that the notifications received **WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED DO GO TO THE GAZETTE OF THE REQUIRED WEEK.** Every case of failure in this regard will be viewed seriously.

The above orders are issued with the concurrence of Education Department.

(By Order of the Governor)

P.K. Narayanan,

Joint Secretary to Government.

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