

Copy of letter NoC1-45041/82 (K.Dis) dated 15-3-1985 from the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum. To the Conservator of Forests, Quilon/Kottayam/Trichur/Kozhikode/Vested Forests, Kozhikode.

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Sub:- Forests sale coupe auction rules and issuance of 'B' Form permits for Industrial Wood.

Ref:- Petition dt.8-11-82 from the President, Southern Circle Forest Contractors Association, Trivandrum.

2. Letter No.CC1-15605/82 dt.15-12-82 of the CF, Quilon.

3. Letter No.CM-13511/82 dt.6-6-83 of CF, Trichur.

4. Letter No.B2-11357/82 dt.4-7-83 of CF, Kozhikode.

5. Letter No.T1-11663/82 dt.14-5-84 of CF, Kottayam.

6. Letter No.A4-13154/82 dt.11-7-84 of CF, Kozhikode.

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In the petition under reference first cited the President of Southern Circle Forest Contractor's Association has requested to modify the sale coupe auction rules and issuance of Form 'B' permits for Industrial Wood. Following are the demands of the Association.

1. Not to levy panel interest on belated remittance of Security deposit.
 2. Not to collect panel interest on sale tax.
 3. Allow remittance of ST in installments.
 4. Reduce and refix Security deposit for all sale coupes as 10% of bid amount subject to a maximum of Rs.20,000/-
 4. Authorise Range Offices to issue Form 'B' permits
- The Conservator of Forests have furnished their remarks in the matter vide reference 2-6 cited. The matter has been examined in detail and the following orders are issued.

Demand No.1

The existing practice in the matter will be continued.

Demand No.2:-

As per reports received from the Conservator Forests penal interest is not being collected on belated remittance of sale tax in many divisions. Since Sales Tax is also a state revenue as in the case of Forest Revenue, penal interest on belated remittance of Sales Tax should be realized in all cases.

Demand No.3 to:-

The existing practice in the matter will be continued.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Copy to all Divl. Forest Officers for information and guidance.

Copy to the President, Southern Circle, Forest Contractors Association, Trivandrum.

Copy to C2, C3, C4, C5 section and all Branch Officers and section heads.

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-3560/ Endt. on CH 85 dated 6-4-1985.

Copy to sections ML, TR, VC and A1.

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for Conservator of forests,
Central Circle Trichur.