GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

Forests - Transport of charcoal from Tamil Nadu to Kerala - issue or passes - Orders issued.

FOREST ENVIRONMENT AND WILD LIFE (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.86/86/F & Wld.

Dated, Trivandrum, 8th September, 86.

Read:- Correspondence with the file No.C2.251/86 dtd.14-5-86 of Chief Conservator of Forest's office.

ORDER

As per section 5 (3) of Kerala Forest Produce Transit Rules 1975 "passes issued by the officers and Merchants of other States shall be honored till the consignments covered by such passes reach the forest wat5ch station/checking station on the route of transport on reaching the Station, the passes shall be surrendered to the officer- in-charge

of the station who shall then issue a pass in Form IV in read paper in lieu of the passes surrendered and stump the timber with his mark before the consignment leaves his station". In the light of this provision, exchange of pass by the State Border checking station staff can be issued only on production of a pass issued by a competent authority.

2. The merchants from Tamil Nadu represented that the Tamil Nadu Forest Department is not issuing permits for transport of charcoal within the state or outside the state since charcoal is not an item of forest produce covered under Transit Rules and requested to issue passes from Kerala Forest Department for the transport of charcoal in Kerala State. To allivate the difficulties experienced by the charcoal merchants of Tamil Nadu, the Tamil Nadu Govt, have issued orders to the effect that on specific applications from individual charcoal merchants of Tamil Nadu, the District Forest Officer or any officer duly authorized by him, may issue a certificate of Origin' for the movement of charcoal from Tamil Nadu after verifying the geniuses of its origin. This certificate of origin should contain the following particulars.

1. Name of the Merchant

5. Destination

S.No.

2. Produce transported

6. Route

3. Quantity

7. Time allowed for transport

4. Place of origin

8. Remarks

Signature of authority granting the certificate

3. Govt. have examined the matter in detail in consultation with the C.C.F. and they are pleased to order that on surrendering the 'Certificate of Origin' a pass in form IV (Red) be issued to the person transporting the produce as laid down in sub rule (3) of Rule 5 of the Kerala Forest Produce Transit Rules 1975.

By Order of the Governor P.A. BABU RAJENDRAN, Jt. Secretary to Govt.

To

All Chief Conservator of Forests. Endt.on C2.521/86 (K.Dis)

Chief Conservator's Office, 29-9-86.

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For Chief Conservator of Forests.