Copy of Chief Conservator's report No.A1-11015/65 dated 11-11-1965 to the Secretary to Government, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, (Agriculture – Forest)

Sub:- Budget for 1965 – 66 – Additional funds – request for –

Ref:- Nil

The following plantations raised during IInd and IIIrd Five Year Plans except the 1965 Plantations, most of which are under Taungya, are every growth with Bupatorium, Lantans and Grase to heights ranging from 4 feet to even 12 feet in some case, especially the Plantations in Sultans Battery and Chedlath Range.

The failure of monsoon last year in Mynaced and over the entire State this year has created a most dangerous situation.

EXTENT OF PLANTATIONS

<u>Species</u>		IInd Plan	IIIrd Plan
Teak	Acres	7700	31,150
Softwood		8900	15,870
Eucalyptus		690	15,920
Fattle		210	880
Sandle		-	600
Bamboo		-	601
Fuel		-	860

The amount sanctioned in the current year's budget for plantation norks under most of the schemes are found to be insufficient to meet the cost of formation of new plantations and also for maintenance of the older Plantations. If the plantations are not maintained in time, fire may occur resulting in heavy loss to Government. Hence this work cannot be delayed pending sanction of additional funds. I am furnishing below the existing allotments for the various plantation works total expenditure incurred till the end of 9/65 and the additional amount required for the year.

Head of Account	Existing	Expenditure	Total requirement	Additional			
	Allotment	till end of	for the year	amount			
		9/65		required			
70 (b) 11 F.Plantation	1,80,000	1,27,306	2,62,200 +	32,000			
Of quick growing							
Species.							
119(a) (i)B.Softwood	7,54,000	6,06,256	10,73,400 +	3,19,400			
6, Plantation.							
119(a) (i) B. Softwood	1 2,77,600	1,77,747	4,01,500 +	- 1,23,900			
6. Plantations							
119 (a) (ii) C.cattle							
Plantations	58,000	9,019	71,500	+ 13,500			
119 (a) (i) D, Eucalyptus-5,							

Plantations.	12,69,000	7,68,453		7,800	
119 (a) (i) R. Sandalw					
3- Plantations	13,600	-	12,200	(-)	1,400
119 (a) (i) F. Bamboo					
Plantations	29,000	8,673	14,400	(-)	14,600
119 (a) (i)G.Fuel					
Plantations	42,000	19,842	52,400	+	10, 400
		Total			7.61.200
		Total excess 7,61,20		7,61,200	
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There is an possibility of finding funds by diversion. I therefore request that sanction may be accorded to incur the expenditure under Para 77 (f) of the Budget Manual to the extent of Rs.7,61,200/- so that it may be regularized in due course by moving Government for supplementary grant.

Unless the plantations are clear-needed during November-December, i.e., before the fire season, there is every likelihood of total loss through fire.

The situation is most dangerous, if not desperate. 10 years of back breaking, arduous more done by the Forest Department, spreading considerable funds, can be lost entirely in one hole cause of fire. Urgent and speedy steps have to be taken. There is not time for any delay.

Soliciting orders in the matter at an early date.

Sd/- Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on A1-11015/65 dated 11-11-1965.

Copy to all Conservators (4). Maintenance works in all these plantations which are the worst effected may be carried out immediately with available funds.

Copy to F1 and file A1-11014/65.

Sd/- For Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. on HA-7041/65 dated 15-11-1965.

Copy to forwarded to all Divisional Forest Officers for urgent attention.

Copy to Sections PC., ML., KT., CH., TR., and files HA-6834/65, and EA-15945/65.

Conservator's Office,

Chalakudy.

For Conservator of Forests.

KKV/16/11/-