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Office of the Conservator of Forests ,
Trivandrum , Dated, 15-02-1968.

From

The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Trivandrum.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Agriculture (Forest) Department.

Sir,

Sub:- Schedule of Rates – Hilly areas 15% enhancement for clarification of.

As per the P.W.D. Schedule of rates 15% enhancement on labour is allowable for the hilly areas. A doubt arose regarding the areas to be brought under the above is to any whether this has to be fixed as per the description in the K.S.R. or as per the C tract fixed by the P.W.D. before the publication of 1965 schedule of rates.

As this Department follows the P.W.D. Schedule of rates for civil works this matter was referred to the Chief Engineer, General and Buildings & Roads. The chief Engineer in his letter No. B-13-2776/67/9-1-68 has informed that the C tract portion fixed before the publication of 1965 schedule is now classified as Hilly areas and it is stated that the hilly area means High Ranges, the altitude of which is above G.T.S. elevation plus 600. Based on this information the Sub offices of this Department have been instructed to follow the above in fixing the Hilly areas. I am also enclosing herewith a copy of the letter from the Chief Engineer mentioned for reference. I requested Governments approval to follow the P.W.D. method.

Yours faithfully,

For Chief Conservator of Forests

Copies to all sub offices.

Forwarded/By order.

Sd/-
Head Draftsman

Letter No.B.13-2776/67 dated 9-2-68 from the Chief Engineer, Office of the Chief Engineer, General and Buildings and Roads, Trivandrum.

Sir,

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Before the publication of 1965 schedule of rates, there were 3 tracts, A,B and C marked on the ma. Generally, "A" tract comprises of coastal belt at or below elevation plus 160 ft 'B' tract comprises of the belt of land between elevation plus ft. and plus 600 ft. and 'C' tract comprises of the belt above elevation plus 600 ft.

The avoid confusion in the preparation of estimate the classification of tracts noted above have been subsequently cancelled and A and B tracts incorporated into one and the 'C' tract portion now classified as Hilly areas. In view of above it can be said that hilly area now means High Ranges the altitude of which is above G.T.S. Elevation plus 600 ft.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
For Chief Engineer.