Office of the Conservator of Forests, Chalakudy, Dated, 10-05-1968.

From

Sri. P.T.Devassy, Conservator of Forests, Chalakudy .

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

Sir,

Sub:- Forests Department - Revision of Schedule of rates -

Ref:- Chief Conservator of Forests G1-28549/66 dated 26/28-10-1967

As per G.O.Rt.2894/67/Agri. Dated 17-10-1967 an enhancement of 20% has been sanctioned for loading and transport. But in Chief Conservator's letter cited it has been stated that the enhancement is on the old rate and directed that Rs.7.20 per 100 Cft. Alone can be sanctioned for loading.

In this connection I have to state that the loading mazdoors have to be given higher wages than the other skilled mazdoors employed for other forestry works. Taking this aspect into consideration Chief Conservator of Forests had suggested Rs.5/- per day for timber loading mazdoors. Government did not approve the above rate but sanctioned an enhancement of 20% (vide the G.O. cited in para 1). It is only reasonable that an enhancement over and above the rates of other skilled mazdoors is given to timber loading mazdoors. The Chalakudy Divisional Forest Officer has submitted an estimate claiming 20% enhancement on Rs.7.20 for Government of India supply and I have admitted the rate for the above reason. I request that clarified orders sanctioning 20% enhancement for loading mazdoors over and above the revised rates sanctioned for other skilled mazdoors may please be issued early as the rate suggested in Chief Conservator's letter cited is based on the rate provided when the schedule of rate was first drawn up and the same cannot be made applicable at this distant date when the wages of coolies have gone up very high.

Yours faithfully,

For Conservator of Forests.

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