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Sub:- Fire occurrence in the plantations - regarding

Plantation raised at considerable costs have to be fire-protected. It is noticed that there is inordinate delay in reporting the fire accident in the plantations and instituting action taken to put out such fires. The following procedure in the case of forest fires may be followed.

Occurrence of any fires in the plantations should be reported and investigated. A further report on the nature of fire, extent of damage, remedial measures taken and those proposed to be taken should also be submitted at the earliest opportunity to the Conservator of Forests by the Divisional Forest Officer. A sketch showing the area burnt and the extent burnt also should be prepared. The information should be recorded in the plantation journals also. The follow up action such as coppicing and cutting back etc. have also to be done timely and recorded in the plantation journals. A map showing the annual area burnt should be maintained so that the vulnerability of a particular region can be assessed and necessary precautionary measures adopted. The instructions given above should be followed strictly.

Sd/-

Chief Conservator of Forests

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All Sub Officers

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For Conservator of Forests,

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