

#### GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

#### Abstract

FOREST AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT - ESTABLISHMENT - INTRODUCTION OF A SCHEME OF GRADE DESIGNATION FOR THE FOREST PROTECTIVE STAFF IN FOREST DEPARTMENT - SANCTIONED - ORDERS ISSUED .

# FOREST & WILDLIFE (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(MS) No. 12/2013/F&WLD

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 30/01/2013

Read 1. G.O (M.S) No. 142/2006/Home dated 22.08.2006.

2. G.O. (M.S) No. 120/2010/TD dated 06.05.2010.

3. Letter No. E4- 4405/10 dated 22.02.2012 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Thiruvananthapuram.

#### **ORDER**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden as per letter read as (3) paper above submitted a proposal for Grade Designation to the protective staff of Forest department in line with that implemented in Police and Excise departments as per Government Orders read as (1) and (2) paper above. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden has reported that if Grade Designation sanctioned to Police and Excise personnel is extended to the Forest personnel, it will be an effective measure to boost their morale and improve their efficiency.

Government have examined the proposal in details and are pleased to designate the Beat Forest Officer who has put in 15 years of service in that cadre as Section Forest Officer (Grade) and Section Forest Officer who has put in 22 of years

in service in that cadre as Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade). Similarly a Deputy Range Forest Officer who has put in 27 of years service will be designated as Range Forest Officer (Grade). These grade designations will be subject to fulfillment of the conditions detailed below.

### I. Section Forest Officer (Grade)

- A Beat Forest Officer who has put in 15 years of service will be eligible for the grade designation as Section Forest Officer (Grade) if he possesses the following conditions.
  - (i) He must have completed 15 years of qualifying service as on 1st January of the calendar year.
  - (ii) He must be drawing pay on a pay scale equal to or higher than that of the post of Section Forest Officer.
  - (iii)He should be eligible for promotion as regular Section Forest Officer.
  - (iv) A Beat Forest Officer who has been designated as Section

    Forest Officer (Grade) will be promoted to the cadre of Section

    Forest Officer as and when his turn comes in the regular line of
    promotion, unless he is found ineligible and only on the basis
    of seniority list.
- 2) The "Section Forest Officer (Grade)" will only be the personnel rank of the person so designated and he will occupy the lien of the post of Beat Forest Officer, till he gets his regular promotion as Section Forest Officer.

- 3) The Person so designated as Section Forest Officer (Grade) will be eligible for wearing the uniform of the regular Section Forest Officer.
- 4) He will not be eligible for higher pay and allowances other than those he would have received if he had not been so designated as "Section Forest Officer (Grade)".
- 5) The Beat Forest Officer designated as "Section Forest Officer (Grade)" will continue to be accommodated among the available sanctioned posts in the rank of Beat Forest Officer.
- 6) The Beat Forest Officer designated as "Section Forest Officer (Grade)" is authorized to perform all the duties and responsibilities of a regular section Forest Officer and also is responsible to discharge the duties of a regular Beat Forest Officer.
- 7) He will not have any claim for seniority, in the cadre of Section Forest Officer on the basis of this designation.

# II. Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)

- A Section Forest Officer will be designated as "Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)" subject to the following conditions.
  - (i) He must have completed a total service of 22 years on the 1st January of the calendar year.
  - (ii) He must be drawing pay on a pay scale equal to or higher than that of a Deputy Range Forest Officer.

- (iii) A Section Forest Officer designated as "Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)" will be promoted to the cadre of regular Deputy Range Forest Officer as and when his turn comes in the regular line of promotion unless he is found ineligible.
- 2. "Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)" will be the personnel rank of the persons so designated.
  - (i) The person so designated will be eligible to wear the uniform of regular Deputy Range Forest Officer.
  - (ii) He will not be eligible for the higher pay and allowances other than what he would have been receiving in the rank of regular Section Forest Officer.
  - (iii) He will be accommodated among the available sanctioned post in the rank of Section Forest Officer.
  - (iv) He will be entrusted with the duties and responsibilities of a regular Deputy Range Forest Officer additionally and is also responsible to discharge the duties of a regular Section Forest Officer.
  - (v) He will not have any claim of seniority in the cadre of regular Deputy Range Forest Officer on the basis of his designation as "Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)".
  - (vi) The "Deputy Range Forest Officer (Grade)" will be eligible to be promoted to the category of regular Deputy Range Forest Officer as and when his turn comes in the regular turn of promotion strictly based on his seniority in the seniority list of the Section Forest Officer.

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# III Range Forest Officer (Grade)

- 1. A Deputy Range Forest Officer who has put in 27 years of service will be eligible for the grade designation as Range Forest Officer (Grade) subject to the following conditions.
  - i) He must have completed a total service of 27 years on the 1st January of the Calendar year.
  - (ii) He must be drawing pay on a pay scale equal to or higher than that of the post of Range Forest Officer.
  - (iii) Range Forest Officer (Grade) will only be the personnel rank of the persons so designated and he will occupy the lien of the post of Deputy Range Forest Officer till he gets regular promotion as Range Forest Officer.
  - (iv) A Deputy Range Forest Officer designated as Range Forest Officer (Grade) will be promoted to the cadre of regular Range Forest Officer as and when his turn comes in the regular time of promotion unless he is found ineligible.
  - (v) The persons designated as Range Forest Officer (Grade) will be eligible to wear the uniform of regular Range Forest Officer.
  - (vi) These persons will not be eligible for higher pay and allowances other than those they would have received, if they had not been designated as Range Forest Officer (Grade).
  - (vii) The Deputy Range Forest Officer designated as Range Forest
    Officer (Grade) will continue to be accommodated among the
    available sanctioned posts of Deputy Range Forest Officer in the
    concerned Ranges/Stations.
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- (viii) The Deputy Range Forest Officer designated as "Range Forest Officer Grade" is authorized to perform all the duties and responsibilities of a regular Range Forest Officer and also is responsible to discharge the duties of regular Deputy Range Forest Officer.
- (ix) The Deputy Range Forest Officer who are designated as "Range Forest Officer (Grade)" will not have any claim for seniority in the category of Range Forest Officer, on the basis of this designation.

By Order of the Governor

#### PRADEEP KUMAR

Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (A&E), Thiruvananthapuram.

The General Administration (SC) Department (Vide item No.

The Finance Department (Vide U.O.No 26630/AWA2/12/Fin dated 19/06/2012.)

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