## OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS Central Circle, Trichur/dt: 10.5.1978. <u>Circular No: 1/78.</u>

## Sub: DEMARCATION OF BOUNDARIES OF COUPES and KEEPING THEM IN TACT-ORDERS – REGARDING.

It has come to the notice of the Conservator of Forests that the boundaries of the coupes both sale and supply are not demarcated properly and kept cleared and consequently various complaints have been received of late. If the accepted procedures in such cases are followed, this kind of boundary disputes can be avoided. The following instructions are issued:-

(1) while submitting the estimates for supply coupes and submitting valuation of statement for sale coupes, the Divisional Forest officer should certify that the boundaries of the coupes have been well demarcated and that the cairns are in tact.

(2) When the coupes are entrusted to the contractors for working, the Range officer will see that the contractors satisfy themselves with the boundaries of the coupes and a receipt as usual for having satisfied with the boundaries of the coupe should be obtained. The contractor should be asked to clear the boundaries of the coupe well cleared of under growth shrub to a width of 2 metres and to keep the cairns in tact. Only after doing this, the contractors should be allowed to commence work in the coupe.

(3) While demarcating coupes, care should be taken to see that only areas which are not rocky and precipitious are taken up for clearance for plantation coupes. The Divl. Forest officer should convince himself about the condition of the coupe after detailed inspection and see that only suitable areas are taken up for extraction to have a successful plantation.

(4) The trees standing near to the outer boundaries of the coupe should be RING-MARKED WITH TAR and numbered serially. Such of these trees should be entrusted to the contractor for safe custody under formal receipt and got back in condition after the expiry of the contract. A certificate from the Range officer that the trees along the periphery of the coupe already handed over for safe custody have been got back in good condition should be insisted immediately after the completion of the works.

(5) Complaints after the conclusion of the contract about the boundaries and about trees already marked found outside the demarcated boundary of the coupes will not be entertained under any circumstances.

The receipt of this Circular should be acknowledged.

## (Sd) A.I. IYPPU, CONSERVATOR of FORESTS.

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