D.O.letter dated 09-6-1983 of Shri. S.Gopalan, Special Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Government of Kerala, Trivandrum, to Shri A.Hassankutty, Chief Conservator of Forests.

As you are aware, there is a tendency on the part of these to whom vested forest lands have been restored as per court orders, to quickly go in for cutting and removal of forest cover.

Section 33 of the Kerala Forest Act does provide, even now, sufficient statutory powers for action in individual cases in the interests of forest and soil conservation. You may kindly, therefore, instruct your field officers to take recourse to action under Section 33 mentioned above – wherever feasible and appropriate to regulate land use in restored forests.

With regards,

Sd/- S.GOPALAN

Endt. On K.Dis.24043/83 (VF) dated 1-7-1983

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Sd/- M.SILVARAJAN
Chief Conservator of Forests (Development)

Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum.

Approved for Issue,

Superintendent.