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REGIONAL OFFICE (CASHEW NUT DEVELOPMENT)
Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Develop-
ment & Co-operation (Dept. of Agri)
Cherootty Road, Calicut-1.

No.F.14(2)/66

Dated 30th January 1968

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Kerala, Trivandrum.

Subject:- Centrally sponsored scheme - Package Programme
for cashew.

Sir,

I invite a reference to the instructions regarding imple-
mentation of the Package Programme forwarded along with our
letter/number, dated 2-9-1967 (copy enclosed) and write to say
that it is necessary that the staff required under the above
scheme are appointed forthwith and in the event of the various
measures contemplated in the scheme not being taken up during
the year 1967-68, at least the selection of plantations and
collection of preliminary data should be completed before 31st
March 1968 positively. Detailed information on the following
aspects should be recorded in respect of the individual holdings.

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2/1/68
- (1) Survey No. and the name of the owner
 - (2) Extent and age of the plantation
 - (3) Nature of management (direct or through lessee)
 - (4) Planting materials used at the beginning (seeds, seedlings, etc.)
 - (5) Details of gap-filling done, if any, in subsequent years
 - (6) Plant protection measures adopted, if any.
 - (7) Cultural practices adopted if any.
 - (8) Year of fruiting and yields obtained thereafter
 - (9) Pre-treatment yield data.

The farm production plan may be prepared on the basis of
the information so collected and also taking into consider-
ation the agro-climatic conditions of the tract. These records
should be maintained right from the commencement of the scheme
as indicated under para 8 of the instructions already forwarded
to you as per our letter under reference.

It is also felt desirable to undertake analysis of the
soil samples along with a soil profile study of a few repre-
sentative gardens of the Package areas. Such a step will be
helpful in ascertaining the fertility status, soil depth, etc.
of these areas. In this connection it may be pointed out that
the FACT, Udyognandal P.O. Kerala State, have reported that
9:9:9 NPK mixture suitable for application in the Package
areas for cashew can be supplied by them. The State Dept. of