GOVERNMENT OF MERALA 65-55-2/80 0060 Abstract Plan Scheme - Decentralisation of schemes to be implemented at nehayat level - Study by the State Planning Board - Orders -70) Issued = = = = = = = = PLANNING & ECCNOMIC AFFAIRS (A) DETARMEN G.C.(MS)Ho.63/81/Plg. Dated: Trivandrum: 26..12..1981. The question of decentralisation of Plan Schemes to be implemented at Panchayat level has been engaging the attention of Government for some time now. After examining the question in all aspects, Government have decided that before schemes are entrusted to Panchayats for implementation, various issues involved viz; financial-administrative and procedural have to be studied in depth by a competent Agency, and the matter further examined on the basis of its recommendations. Government accordingly order that the Member-Secretary, State Planning Board will undertake the study in this regard covering, interalia, the following aspects also and make suitable recommendations to Government; -(a) Schemes that can be entrusted to Fanchayats for implementation. (b) Capacity of Panchayats to implement the schemes so entrusted with the existing machinery. (c) The extent of strengthening of machinery, if required, at various levels. (d) Sufficiency of existing delegation of powers and extent of additional powers required at different levels. (e' Thether this programme need be started on a pilot basis in selected Districts initially or should be implemented throughout the State. (f) Streamlining of the procedures required for maintenance of accounts, audit and inspection. 2. The Member-Secretary may visit one or two States, especially West Bengal where Panchayats are already implementing local level plans and hold discussions with the cificers concerned to study the working of the programmes there. 3. The Special Secretaries/Secretaries to Government and Heads of Departments concerned with Plan will render necessary assistance to the Member-Secretary, State Flanning Board in undertaking the study. (By Order of the Governor) P. Karunakaran Nair, Additional Secretary. TO Heads of Departments concerned with Plan. XX /Copy/ Endt.on P1.40903/81/dt.4..1..1982. Copy to all Conservators of Forests/Divl. Forest Officers for report by return the details of the ongoing forestry schemes if any that can be transferred to any other Agency for implementation and if so its implications. Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trivandrum. for Chief Conservator of Forests. Pnk/6.1.