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Abstract

Forest & Wildlife Department- Order dated 31.01.2018 in O.P.(KAT) No. 514/2017 against the order dated 4.07.2017 in O.A. 229/2015 filed by Shri.M.S.Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd.) - Complied with- Orders issued.

FOREST & WILDLIFE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.

204/2018/F&WLD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram,02/05/2018

Read: 1 G.O.(Rt) No.421/2011/F&WLD dated 24.09.2011.

2 G.O.(Rt) No.416/2014/F&WLD dated 10.09.2014.

3 Order of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal dated 4.07.2017 in O.A. No. 229/2015 filed by Shri.M.S.Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd)

4 Order of High Court of Kerala dated 31.01.2018 in O.P.(KAT) No. 514/2017 against the order dated 4.07.2017 in O.A. No. 229/2015 filed by Shri.M.S.Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd.)

ORDER

In connection with illicit felling of trees in Kannanumannu & Kochethupara Vested Forest areas of Ranni Division during 1995-96, disciplinary proceedings initiated against the then Range Forest Officer, Sri. M.S. Rajan has been finalised to recover an amount of Rs.92,910/- (Rupees ninety two thousand nine hundred and ten only) from his DCRG under Rule 3, Part III, Kerala Service Rules as per the Government Order read as first paper above.

2) Shri.M.S.Rajan submitted a review petition dated 15.11.2011 and the same was finalized by reducing the punishment to recovery of his proportionate loss as Rs.18,905/- (Rupees eighteen thousand nine hundred and five) as per the Government Order read as second paper above.

3) Shri.M.S.Rajan filed O.A. 229/2015 before Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal aggrieved by withholding of the DCRG.As per the order read as third paper above, the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal set aside the Government orders cited (1) & (2) above and ordered to release the withheld DCRG

amount of Rs.18,905/- carrying interest at 9% per annum from 01.03.2008 till the date of payment within three months.


4) Government have filed appeal petition against this order of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal. As per the order read as fourth paper above, the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala dismissed the appeal and ordered to release the amount within 3 months.

5) Government have examined the matter in detail and orders to accord sanction to release the withheld DCRG amount of Rs. 18,905/- carrying interest at 9% per annum from 01.03.2008 till the date of payment to Shri. M.S. Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd). The judgement of the Hon'ble High Court in O.P.(KAT) No. 514/2017 against the order dated 4.07.2017 in O.A. 229/2015 filed by Shri.M.S.Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd) is thus complied with. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Administration) shall take urgent necessary steps in this regard.

By order of the Governor
AJITH K JOSEPH
JOINT SECRETARY

To:- The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
(Administration)
Shri.M.S.Rajan, Assistant Conservator of Forest (Rtd.)
(through Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
(Administration))
The Advocate General, Kerala Thiruvananthapuram (with
C/L)
The Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit),
Thiruvananthapuram
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