



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA



Abstract

Renewal of Selling Agency Agreement with M/s. MSTC Ltd.- Permission accorded- Orders issued.

FOREST & WILD LIFE (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.156/2021/F&WLD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram,
25/05/2021

- Read 1 G.O.(Rt) No. 132/2014/F&WLD dated 18/03/2014
2 G.O.(Rt) No. 203/2015/F&WLD dated 18/05/2015
3 G.O.(Rt.) No. 466/2015/F&WLD dated 21/10/2015
4 G.O.(Rt.) No. 501/2017/F&WLD dated 22/12/2017
5 G.O.(Rt.) No. 218/2018/F&WLD dated 11/05/2018
6 G.O.(Rt.) No. 349/2019/F&WLD dated 29/08/2019
7 G.O.(Rt.) No. 304/2020/F&WLD dated 01/12/2020
8 Letter No. Pro(4)-31980/2016 dated 25/02/2021 of the
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest
Management), Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram

ORDER

As per the Government Order read as 1st paper above, Government granted permission to the Kerala Forest Department to undertake e-auction of timbers by utilizing the service of M/s. Metal Scrap Trade Corporation Limited (MSTC Ltd.) by paying service charge at the rate of 0.8% of the sales proceeds plus taxes applicable, subject to the condition that the Forest Department will put in place National Informatics Centre (NIC) based solution within six months. Subsequently, the term for availing the services of M/s.MSTC Ltd was extended up to 28/03/2021 vide the Government Orders read as 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th papers above respectively.

2) As per the letter read as 8th paper above, the Principal Chief

Conservator of Forests (Forest Management) informed that the e-auction platform of NIC is not capable for conducting multiple numbers of auctions at a time and NIC has not modified the same. The attempt to explore the possibility of developing a suitable software for the timber e-auctions of the Forest Department with the help of NIC and IT Mission, Kerala was not fruitful. It was also reported that the services rendered by M/s MSTC Ltd during the last 5 years are quite satisfactory. Hence the PCCF (FM) proposed for permitting the Forest Department to avail the services of M/s MSTC Ltd for e-auction by paying the existing service charge of 0.8% from 29/03/2021 for a further period of one year and to renew the Selling Agency Agreement.

3) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to grant permission to the Kerala Forest Department to continue to avail the services of M/s. MSTC Ltd for e-auction, by paying 0.8% service charges, for a further period of one more year from 29.03.2021 and to renew the Selling Agency Agreement accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)
JAYARAMKUMAR R
DEPUTY SECRETARY

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Forces,
Forest Head Quarters, Thiruvananthapuram.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management), Forest
Head Quarters, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

Finance Department (vide U.O.No.I&PW.B2/132/2017-Fin

dated 8/4/2021.)

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