



## **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.304/2020/F&WLD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01/12/2020

- 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) Letter No. Pro(4)-31980/2016 dated 04/05/2020 and 14/09/2020 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management), Forest Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram

#### ORDER

As per the G.O. read as 1<sup>st</sup> 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 28/03/2020 vide the G.O.s read as 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> papers above respectively.

2) As per the letter read as 7<sup>th</sup> paper above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Management) informed that the NIC is yet to modify the e-auction platform so as to suit the requirements of Forest Department and that the e-auction

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platform of NIC is not capable for conducting multiple numbers of actions at a time. Hence he has requested Government to permit the Kerala Forest Department to avail the services of M/s. MSTC Ltd. for e-auction, by paying 0.8% service charges, for a further period of one year from 29.03.2020 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 29.03.2020 and to renew the Selling Agency Agreement accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)
RAJESH KUMAR SINHA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

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 11/11/2020.)

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