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Abstract

Forest & Wild Life Department - Collection of Acacia butt ends from the Plantations allotted to HNL and WIPL by Kerala Forest Department -Sanctioned - Orders issued.

FOREST & WILD LIFE (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O(Rt)No.318/2017/F&WLD. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 19.08.2017

Read:- Letter No. Pro(4)-44452/16 dated 05.05.2017 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Forest, Land & Resources)

ORDER

As per the letter read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Forest, Land & Resources) reported that the CCF Council held on 21.07.2010 observed that there was good demand for timber of Acacia auriculiformis in the market and decided to collect butt end logs of Acacia auriculiformis having 230 cm length and over bark girth as 70 cm from the plantations allotted to M/s HNL. M/s HNL and M/s WIPL have been leaving behind the butt end of Acacia auriculiformis in the plantation. There is no mention in the agreement executed with M/s HNL about the collection of Acacia butt ends. Since there is no standard procedure followed by the department in the collection of Acacia butt ends Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Forest, Land & Resources) recommended the following procedures for the collection of butt ends of Acacia auriculiformis for consideration and approval.

- i. The length of Acacia butt ends to be collected will be fixed as 2.3 meters
- ii. Wherever available, more than one bottom pieces each having a mid-girth of 70 cm and above will be collected as timber
- iii. Butt ends of Acacia mangium will be collected on a test basis and if found workable, it can be extended to more plantations.

- iv. Coupe roads are laid within the Acacia plantations allotted to M/s.HNL and M/s.WIP Limited. Pulpwood is allotted to these Companies at concessional rates, much below the price fixed under the Act. Considering both these, the Companies should collect the butt ends in presence of departmental staff (who will register them) and stack them along the coupe road.
- v. The department need incur expenditure only on Chisel numbering, loading, transporting and other works in the depot.
- vi. Amendment to the agreement, to the above extend will be affected.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord sanction for the collection of butt end logs of Acacia auriculiformis from the plantations allotted to HNL and WIPL. The Standard Procedure for the collection of butt end logs of Acacia auriculiformis mentioned above is also approved.

By Order of the Governor

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To

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