



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest & Wildlife Department-Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala dated 22.11.2022 in OP(KAT) 141/2022 filed by Smt. A.A. Baby-Complied with-Orders issued.

FOREST & WILDLIFE (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.15/2023/F&WLD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12-01-2023.

Read 1. GO(Ms) 41/1992/FWLD Dated 08.10.1992.

2. Letter No. F3/4421/2022 dated 10.11.2022 of the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Administration).
3. Judgment dated 22.11.2022 in OP(KAT) 141/2022.

ORDER

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala as per the judgment read as 3rd paper above, disposed the OP(KAT) 141/2022 filed by Smt. A.A. Baby by directing the the respondents 1 to 4 to pay the amount covered by the policy, namely, Rs. 1.5 lakh to the petitioner within a period of one month from the date of receipt of a copy of the judgment.

2. Sri. P. V. Sankarankutty, husband of Smt. A. A. Baby, while working as Range Forest Officer at Mullaringad Range, died due to severe head injury which happened at his official quarters. He is a beneficiary of the Group Insurance Scheme sanctioned by Government as per the order read as 1st paper above, to provide insurance coverage against accidents to the Officers and Staff of the Forest Department. The Scheme was introduced in co-operation with the National Insurance Company Ltd and as per the contract the premium is to be remitted annually to the company by the Kerala State Forest & Wildlife Department. But at the time of his death, there was no valid policy as the Cheque presented by the Department as premium was not honoured on account of treasury ban. Eventhough, a subsequent cheque was issued by the Department and was encashed by the Company, the petitioner did not get the benefit as the company insisted that there was

no policy in existence at the time of his death.

3. Government have examined the Order of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in detail and are pleased to accord sanction to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Administration), to pay the amount covered by the policy, namely, Rs. 1.5 lakh to the petitioner.

4. The Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, read as 3rd paper above, is complied with accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)

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JOINT SECRETARY.

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