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Chief Conservator of Forests

CIRCULAR NO. 7/77

Sub:-Assault of staff of Forest Department - Procedure of submission of reports to Chief Conservator of Forests and adoption of a Chapter in Annual Administration Report - Instructions Issued - Regarding.

Ref:-CC's Circular No.31/64 dt. 12.7.1964.

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It is noticed from the case reported by the Divisional Forest Officers on assaults made on forest subordinates that luke warm interest is shown in prosecuting and getting convictions to the offenders who resort to assaulting staff while discharging their duties. Infact even in the cases where forest staff is brutally murdered the cases are resulting in acquittal which shows the indifference of the officers even in such vital issues. It is unfortunate that the Chief Conservator of Forests has to remind and persuade the officers to take interest in this important work. They all know very well that the moral of staff can be kept high only when such miscreants who abstract the staff and assault and some times even murder them are brought to book and convicted promptly. The reports received from the Conservators of Forests and Divisional Forest Officers on the subject are of a routing nature and seems to be only a formality to satisfy the instructions of the Chief Conservator of Forests. It is again impressed that it is the primary duty of the concerned officer to secure full protection to his staff, and to act promptly on hearing cases of assaults on them.

To create a better tradition all the Conservators of Forests are requested to discuss with the Divisional Forest Officers etc., all the assault cases in their circles during their tours and pursue with them to take suitable steps for the successful prosecution of the cases. The officers are requested to follow the instructions issued in Chief Conservator's Circular No.31/64, dated 12.7.1964 scrupulously and ensure that prompt action is taken in all assault cases. This aspect will be specially reviewed at the time of office inspection of Conservators of forests by the Chief Conservator of Forests. The Conservators of Forests in turn will make a special check of this item during Division office inspection.

In the Annual Administration report in Chapter VIII "Assaults on staff" shall be added as item (vi). Specific mention should be made of the steps taken in deposing the assault cases, and the number of convictions obtained during the period. A return (Annexure I) shall be added as item (13) renumbering the subsequent returns item 13-20 as 14-21.

P.T.O.



The Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators of Forests are advised to show utmost care in dealing with assault cases on the staff atleast now.

The receipt of this circular should be acknowledged.

Sd/- P.S. Rao,  
Chief Conservator of Forests.

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PROFORMA  
(ANNEXURE-I) RETURN NO.13

Sl. No.	Name of the Division.	No. of cases at the beginning of the year		Total	No. of cases received during the year		Total
		Assaults	Murders		Assaults	Murders	
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.

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No. of cases disposed off during the year.	Total	No. of cases pending at the end of the year	Total	Remarks.
Assaults Murders		Assaults Murders.		
9.	10.	11.	12.	13.
				14.
				15.

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