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FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Office of the Chief Conservator of  
Forests, Andhra Pradesh-Hyderabad.

Sri Munawar Hussain, I.F.S.,  
Chief Conservator of Forests.

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Sub:- Furnishing of information by the Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators of Forests proforma prescribed by the Government of India for consideration of Mining lease cases in the Reserved Forests by the private institutions individuals etc., instructions-issued.  
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Under Section (2) of Forest Conservation Bill, 1980 it is essential that a self contained proposals should be submitted to Government of India along with the information in the proforma prescribed by the Government of India for obtaining prior permission of Government of India for granting land leases like prospecting Licence, Mining lease or quarry lease etc. in R.F. areas by the State Government. Unless the Divl. Forest Officer and Conservator of Forests concerned submit their reports in a complete shape with their specific recommendations together with the information in the proforma prescribed by the Government of India it would not be possible to submit Chief Conservator's proposals in a complete shape to the Government on the mining applications for obtaining Government of India's clearance.

2. It is observed that the Conservator of Forests are simply forwarding the Divisional Forest Officers' reports, even without properly scrutinizing them, to the Chief Conservator of Forests and the information in the proforma submitted by the Divisional Forest Officers is found lacking in some or all the columns in the proforma. Further the proposals are not countersigned by the Conservator of Forests.

3. The Divisional Forest Officers and Conservator of Forests are requested to submit their self contained proposals to the Chief Conservator of Forests on the mining lease applications referred to them. They are also requested that the proforma information should be prepared, properly filling in all the columns. The Conservator of Forests should counter-sign the proforma information.

The Divl. Forest Officers and Conservator of Forests are requested to keep in view the instructions of Inspector General of Forests communicated to all territorial Conservators of Forests and Divisional Forest Officers in Chief Conservator of Forests Rc.No.73680/80/F.1 dt.20.6.81 for filling up the information in the proforma prescribed by the Government of India.

It is noticed that in some columns certain officers are simply noting a dot (-) This is not a correct procedure. If there is no information for any items, it may be specifically noted as 'Nil' under no circumstances dots should be noted.

This should be strictly observed in future.

Sd/-Munawar Hussain,  
Chief Conservator of Forests.