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## CIRCULAR NO.3/81

Sub: - Inclusion of Sandal wood and Red Sanders wood cases information in monthly D.O. reports of the Conservators of Forests - Circlar instructions-Rg

Detailed instructions have been issued by this office from time to time regarding timely action to be taken in Forest Offence cases involving Red Sanders, Sandal wood and Gum cases and other cases involving different types of vehicles. Inspite of general instructions and also specific instructions in individual cases where such cases have been reported to Chief Conservator of Forests it is being observed that the D.F.Os are not taking prompt action for booking the offenders responsible for the destruction of the valuable forest produce and no proper disciplinary action is also being taken against the concerned subordinates, with the result that the smuggling of Red Sanders, Sandalwood, gum etc. has become rampant. This type of recurrence of Forest Offences can be curbed only with determined efforts of the concerned D.F.Os and strict supervision of the Conservators of Forests.

- 2. The Conservators of Forests are therefore advised to review the disposal of the Red Sanders, Sandal wood and gum cases and the cases involving vehicles during their tours in Divisions and issue necessary timely instructions regarding detection of offenders and the speedy disposal of the cases. Cases where either the authorised officer (D.F.O) or the courts have released the wehicles involved in such cases or the cases when have been decided against the prosecution should be carefully and thoroughly examined by the Conservator of Forests and specific reports should be made to the C.E.F. where they find suitable action was not taken.
- 7. A report of such reviews in each Division should be included in their monthly D.O. reports to the Chief Conservator of Forests/Addl.C.C.F. indicating the number of cases in each Division, with the present stage of such information in their forthightly diaries to the Conservator of Forests.

The receipt of the circular instructions should be acknowledged by return of post.

Sd -A. Ramakrishna, Chief Conservator of Forests.

(\*) cases, commencing for their monthly D.O. reports from January, 1981.

The Conservators of Forests are also advised to issue similar instructions to their concerned Divisional Forest Officers for submitting such