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FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Office of the Chief Conservator  
of Forests, Andhra Pradesh., Hyd.

Sri A.K.Mathur, I.F.S.,  
Chief Conservator of Forests:

Circular No. 21/83-C2.

Sub:- Grant of House Rent allowance in lieu of compensatory allowance in taluk towns - to the employees working in Rural areas - instructions - issued.

- Ref:- 1) GO Ms.No.43/Fin & Plg/Dept, dt:4.2.80.  
2) Govt Memo No. 320/130/PRC.I, dt:30.5.80.  
3) -do- 42852/B/467/PRC.I/dt:17.12.80.  
4) GO Ms.No. 5, Fin & Plg Dept, dt:7.1.83.

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In the GO 4st cited, Government have ordered that the employees working at the Head quarters of taluks and sub-taluks are in Municipalities and Municipal towns, be allowed House Rent allowance @ 4% of pay in lieu of compensatory allowance. This GO was communicated to all the officers in CC's Ref.No.8336/80-C2, dt:17.7.80.

In the Govt. memo 2nd cited, Govt have clarified that the HRA @ 4% of pay in lieu of CA is only admissble to the employees working at the Head Quarters of taluks and sub-taluks and Municipal towns and it does not apply to the employees working in the offices situated within a distance of 8 kms from the periphery of the taluk towns. The above Govt. memo was also communicated to all officers in CC's Rc.No. 43944/80/C2, dt:13.6.83.

Subsequently Government in their G.M.No.42852/B/467/PRC.I 80-1., dt:17.12.80 have further clarified that the HRA @ 4% of pay shall also be admissble to the employees whose places of duty are in villages/towns whose revenue/municipal limits are within a distance of 8 km from the periphery of the HQs of taluks and sub-taluks or Municipalities and Municipal towns. However HRA is not admissble to those who are provided rent free accomodation quarters or paid quarters. The above GO was communicated to all officers in CC's Ref.14372/81-C2, dt:15.4.83.

Again Government in their GO Ms.No.5, Finance & Plg Dept dated:7.1.83 issued latest orders that the HRA 4% be allowed to all the employees working in the rural areas where no HRA is admissble under the existing orders. This GO has also been communicated to all the officers in Ref.3782/83-C2, 22.2.83.

During the conference of Junior Forest Officers held in at CC's office on 24.10.83 it was complained that Forest Subordinate Officers working in the rural areas are not paid HRA @ 4% and thus they are loosing the benefit of HRA.

It is not understood why the HRA is not claimed and paid to the Forest subordinate officers working in the Rural areas inspite of clear Govt. Orders communicated to all officers from time to time as noted above. Hence all the officers are hereby instructed once again that the HRA should be drawn and paid without fail and see that no such complaints are received in future non-implementation of the GOs and CC's instructions will be dealt with seriously.

Receipt of these circular instructions should be acknowledged in the enclosed form by return of post.

Si/- A.K.Mathur,