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Sub:- Monthly D.O.reports of the Conservators of
Forests - Field Inspection Notes - Regarding.

The monthly D.O.reports of Conservators of Forests are not being received in time and the delays are ranging from one to three months. The Conservators of Forests are requested to see that the monthly D.O. reports, with all enclosures including copies of the Field Inspection Notes pertaining to that month are submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests within 15 days of completion of that month.

In this connection, their attention is also invited to Chief Conservator of Forests Circular No.2D/77 (Ref.No. 66581/79/J3) dated 31-10-1980 wherein the Conservators of Forests were requested to submit along with their monthly D.O. reports, a number of enclosures. It is seen that they are not submitting all the enclosures with your monthly D.O.report and request you to see that all the enclosures are invariably sent along with monthly D.O. report as these enclosures are meant to keep the Chief Conservator of Forests and the Addl.Chief Conservator of Forests informed of all the major activities in your circles including details of your circles including details of your touring and other work during that month.

Some of the Conservators of Forests are attimes not enclosing any field inspection notes at all, to their monthly D.O. reports, even though the Conservators of Forests have spent a number of days during the month inspecting various works in progress the plantations, nurseries etc. The field inspection notes also generally do not contain a number of important details, which would help the Chief Conservator of Forests and Addl.Chief Conservator of Forests and Addl.Chief Conservator of Forests to better appreciate the conditions and problems in the field, through reading the inspection notes, and action if any taken by you to set right matters when conditions are not satisfactory or upto-date. The following are some of the important omissions and commissions in the field inspection notes, which should be avoided in future.

1) The field inspection notes are not indicated date-wise of the inspections.

2) The Division, Range, in which the inspections are carried out are not indicated. Perhaps the Conservators of Forests because of their being familiar with their local conditions, think it unnecessary to mention those details, but the Chief Conservator of Forests and the Addl.Chief Conservator of Forests find it difficult at times to know which division and Range the inspection notes pertains to.

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3) Of plantations inspected, details like area of the plantation, estimated survival percentage at the time of inspection and operations done or area currently in progress, and whether they are satisfactorily done and general conditions of the plantations are not mentioned at times.

4) Of nurseries inspected, the number of primary beds proposed to be raised and actually raised and condition of the same, number of polythene bags proposed to be raised or actually in the nursery, species-wise and and pricking out done in the nursery, actually by the date of inspection, with observations of the Conservators of Forests about the satisfactoryness of the works done are not being mentioned.

5) No mention is made at all of the plantation journals or nursery journals checked by the Conservator of Forests (which should invariably be done) if so the condition of those - journals as to whether they posted up-to-date with all details as per Chief Conservator of Forests Circulars on the subject and whether the Divisional Forest Officers have been making it a point to record remarks of their inspections in the plantation/nursery journals, and action if any taken on same to set right matters.

6) Specific comments on protection given to the plantations/nursery/Avenue trees, against animals, fires etc., and on steps taken to protect them and whether they are satisfactory.

The above are some of the more important matters relating to plantation, nursery and other works inspected by the Conservators of Forests during their tours, about which the Chief Conservators of Forests and Addl. Chief Conservators of Forests would also like to keep themselves informed through the Conservators of Forests inspection notes. The Conservators of Forests are therefore requested to ensure that the instructions issued above are all scrupulously followed in future while submitting their monthly D.O. reports along with all other enclosures as per Chief Conservator of Forests Circular letters in the matter and most importantly the Field Inspection Notes (which should all be issued without fail) covering all the inspections made by them during the month.

The receipt of this Circular should be acknowledged at once.

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